

Geauga County Board of Elections

REGULAR MEETING

August 15, 2019

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Ryder. Present were Mr. Dennis Pavella, Mrs. Joan Windnagel, Mrs. Janet Carson, Director Pete Zeigler, Deputy Director Dorothy Stange and Kristen Rine, Asst. Prosecutor.

Per the agenda, the June 25, 2019 amended minutes were previously approved. Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve the Minutes of July 18, 2019. Mrs. Carson seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve the following bills:

Quill	99.13
Sunrise Springs	21.85
KMI Printing	358.80
Ed Ryder	59.16
Quill	11.76
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Joan Windnagel	109.62
Advance Local Media	900.00
Auburn Township	350.00
Quill	231.65
Pete Zeigler	44.20
Election Systems & Software	938.37
Scott Daisher	151.98
Nancy McArthur	134.04

Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

The Board discussed the purchase of new voting equipment and was informed by Mandi Grandjean via the SOS office that we are okay to purchase the equipment late 2020 and we do not have to sign any sort of waiver nor will we lose our monies.

Mr. Pavella and Mrs. Carson assured the Board that they will have their e-mails set up by the next meeting. This is part of the Security required by the Secretary of State.

Burton Twp. B precinct will be moving from the Geauga County Fairgrounds. We have two locations in mind, one is Century Village and the other is the Burton Township Hall. The Trustees of Burton Township are willing to correct some of the ADA issues they now have and we are keeping in close contact with them as they would like to accommodate their voters. We discovered that the County owns the land of the fairgrounds but the Agricultural Society owns the buildings.

Attached is a list of the candidates for November, 2019 General Election. In that list are two sets of candidates that are running together. Not having any problems with these 76 filings, Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify the candidates. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Along with the above candidates, there were three Local Option issues filed for November. They are Aldi, Inc. in Middlefield Village A, Masterpiece Pizza in Thompson Twp. B and Osso, Ilc. in Hambden Twp. A. Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify these issues and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Ryder made a motion to accept Frank Cavanagh's petition as Frank. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mr. Ryder, Mrs. Windnagel and Mr. Pavella voted: Aye. Mrs. Carson voted no.

Mrs. Windnagel made a motion to accept Patrick Cavanagh's petition even though he put the name of the street as Newbury after the numerical address in Newbury. Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Deborah Chuha forgot to put the date of the election on her petition. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept the petition. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Garlich did not fill out the Nominating portion of his petition. Mrs. Windnagel made a motion to accept his petition and Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. Mrs. Windnagel, Mr. Pavella and Mr. Ryder voted Aye. Mrs. Carson voted No. Leonard Glover submitted his petition and added his two petitions together in the circulator section instead of individual totals on each petition. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Michael Guyer withdrew his petition before certification for Geauga County Educational Center. Mr. Kolk did not fill out the nomination portion of his petition. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept it and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mr. Pavella, Mrs. Windnagel and Mr. Ryder voted: Aye and Mrs. Carson abstained. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept and certify Bill Koon's petition even though he is registered as William Koons. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Joe Loyd and Mr. Michael Mc Donald are running as a team and enclosed a letter to request that Joseph Loyd be Joe Loyd. Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify the petition and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Adam Miller did not fill out the nominating section of his petition; Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept his petition for certification. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Morrow requested that his name appear as Sam Morrow and Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept his letter. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. After review of Lenore Pikus's petition with the circulator name being different than the signature, Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept and certify her petition. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. When filing here petition, Jeannine Reeves noticed she did not fill in the date of the election. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Barbara Simkoff was missing the date on part 1, Mrs. Windnagel made a motion to accept and Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Having received a letter from Charles Strazinsky requesting his name be Chuck on the ballot, Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Paul Magooch did not have enough signatures. Mr. Pavella made a motion to not certify his petition. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Attached is the list of issues consisting of 29. Russell Township Citizens Park District withdrew their petition. Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify all issues. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to send the Director to the New Director Training on September 30, 2019 and reimburse him for travel expenses including meals, travel and lodging. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to request a report after ES&S is finished with the maintenance of our voting equipment. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

The Board was informed that there will be Post-Election Audit Training available in the form of three sessions at approximately \$50.00 a session per person.

There were no Campaign Finance reports.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to go into Executive Session at 11:55 a.m. for the Purpose of Compensation for a Public Official ORC 121.22 (G) (1) and also Security Arrangements ORC 121.22 (G6) and requested our Prosecutor to join the Board. Mr. Ryder, Aye, Mr. Pavella, Aye, Mrs. Windnagel, Aye and Mrs. Carson, Aye.

At 1:50 p.m. the Board re-entered regular session and Mr. Pavella made a motion to close Executive Session. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Mr. Ryder, Aye; Mr. Pavella, Aye; Mrs. Windnagel, Aye; and Mrs. Carson, Aye. Mrs. Carson made a motion to send any public service request we get from any employee to the Prosecutor for review. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Director Pete Zeigler informed the Board that we are locking up the petitions just as we do the ballots. He also explained that he will be making a chart of the deadline and note other dates of interest and as we get the jobs done we check them off.

Deputy Director Dorothy Stange reported that Pete is established at the Auditor's office. Pete and I are going to go to Burton Town Hall and review the ADA issues and will attend a Trustee Meeting if possible. Adrian Gorton from the Budget office requested that they need to de-appropriate the Voting Equipment monies in the Budget. The Board wants a letter stating that they will be putting that money back after the first of the year.

The maintenance of the voting machines requires some new batteries for the M-100's and also the AutoMarks and then they will come back and finish servicing the rest of the units. I checked with the ADP Board to explain that anytime in a meeting of the ADP Board any discussion of our Security issues, our Prosecutor suggested that should be in Executive Session and any time we have requests for purchases the ADP Board requires three quotes.

Reminder to the Board that August 29 is our Homeland Security Physical Assessment.

Mr. Pavella made a motion and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion to adjourn. All voted: Aye.

Next Meeting: September 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.