

Geauga County Board of Elections

SPECIAL MEETING

November 5, 2019

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 a.m. by Chairman Ed Ryder. Present were Mr. Dennis Pavella, Mrs. Joan Windnagel, Mrs. Janet Carson, Director Pete Zeigler and Deputy Director Dorothy Stange.

At 6:30 a.m. Mr. Pavella made a motion to declare the polls open for Election Day. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

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

Pete Zeigler	\$ 188.86
John Lucas	151.21
Southern Computer Warehouse	437.40
Sunrise Springs	30.80
Quill	1155.88
Chardon Oil Co.	59.96
MNJ Technologies	280.00

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

Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve Appropriation Transfer from Account 1001-050-00-601 (Service Contracts) in the amount of \$1000.00 to Board Member Salary 1001-050-32-501. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve Appropriation Transfer from Account 1001-050-00-601 (Service Contracts) in the amount of \$1,200.00 to Account 1001-050-00-903 (Advertising). Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

There was no action taken on the Policy Manual Review.

The REO classes were announced and we will make six reservations for the Graduate class-201 and three reservations for the 101 classes in January 2020.

The Board discussed the SOS summer conference and everyone is checking their calendars.

Director Zeigler would like the Board to have a credit card to relieve the staff from having to use their own. He would also like to see if the equipment team could set up the polling location the night before election by using a layout pattern. Teams comprised of VLM's and extra equipment team would be helpful.

The Board reviewed the deficient ballots envelopes of which there were seven. A signature was in question on one and there were six envelopes from the nursing home but one envelope was empty. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept six ballots. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mrs. Carson made a motion to make sure if Elected Officials are working at the polls that they are not working in their own precincts or if there is an issue on in their precincts. This would be effective after the certification of the November 5, 2019 election. Mrs. Carson-Aye, Mr. Pavella-Aye, Mrs. Windnagel-Aye and Mr. Ryder-Nay.

The Board went to visit some or all of the polling locations to check on flags, supplies and staff.

When the Board returned they discussed the date to certify, Mr. Pavella made a motion to certify on November 22, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. The Board reviewed the hand count of the write-ins. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept 13 votes for Michael Guyer. No write-ins for Mary Ann Pierce, David Novak and Mathew Whittaker. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept two remakes. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

The Board reviewed the overvotes and Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept all of the overvotes. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept the two undervoted ballots. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted : Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to assign permission to staff to begin processing Provisional Ballots from the November 5, 2019 election. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

At 7:30 p.m. Mr Pavella made a motion to close the polls. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye and at 10:16 p.m. Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept the results of the Unofficial canvass. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Ryder made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Next meeting: November 22, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

