

Geauga County Board of Elections

REGULAR MEETING

September 19, 2019

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ed Ryder at 9:02 a. m. Present were Mr. Dennis Pavella, Mrs. Joan Windnagel, Mrs. Janet Carson, Mr. Al Vontorcik and Mr. Allen Keener, both from our IT Department.

Mrs. Windnagel made a motion to approve the minutes of August 15, 2019 Regular meeting. Mrs. Pavella seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2019 Special meeting. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mrs. Carson requested the minutes of September 5, 2019 need to be amended to reflect more information on the Local Option in Thompson and also the question on the write-in candidate David Novak. Mr. Ryder, Mr. Pavella and Mrs. Windnagel voted: Aye. Mrs. Carson abstained.

The Director informed the Board of the Election Law CLE in Richfield available to the Director, Deputy Director and Board members. Mrs. Carson made motion to reimburse anyone attending their registration fee and mileage. Mr. Ryder seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve the staff and Board members attending the Winter 2020 SOS Conference and being reimbursed for their mileage, meals and hotel rooms. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mrs. Windnagel made a motion to approve the following bills:

Sunrise Springs	21.85
Election Systems & Software	44,226.00
Blue Technologies	73.92
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KMI Printing	62.10
Kiwanis Lake Community	375.00
OAEO	1500.00
Shetler Printing	256.08

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KMI Printing	333.14

Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. Mr. Ryder, Mr. Pavella and Mrs. Windnagel voted: Aye. Mrs. Carson wanted to review last year's charge from ES&S. After reviewing the two bills, Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve all bills. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to accept the Campaign Finance reports as audited and presented to the Board as follows:

2017 Post General: Friends of Andrew K. Blackley and Friends of Petruziello

2018 Post General: Friends of Chester Roads

2018 Annual: Friends of Petruziello

2019 Semi-Annual: Committee to Elect Joe Cattell; Sheila Bevington Campaign Fund; Committee to Elect Jim Dvorak; Committee to Elect Jim Flaiz; Committee to Elect Frank J. Gliha; Hildenbrand for Sheriff; Committee to Elect Blake Rear; Friends of Tim Lennon; Committee to Elect Walder for Auditor; Committee to Elect Walder for Auditor-Amended; Friends of Urbancic; Friends of Chester Roads; Supporters of Cardinal Local. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

The Board received quotes for printing of our ballots from three printers. They are Olfield Graphics, MCR Marketing, Inc., and Midwest Direct. Mr. Jeremy Heroux from Midwest Direct joined the meeting. After some discussion, Mrs. Janet Carson made a motion to accept the Olfield Graphics quote of \$18,720.00 for 72,000 ballots due to the experience the Board has had with Olfield. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Ryder made a motion to authorize the Director, Pete Ziegler, to sign contracts and papers necessary for the office, such as the confidentiality agreement as needed, with the understanding that he will e-mail the Board with the information. Mr. Pavella seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to amend the Agenda order for the item "Executive Session for the purpose of compensation of employees" to the last item. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye. The Assistant Prosecutor joined the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

At 9:45 a.m. Mr. Pavella made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of Security Arrangements ORC 121,22(G)(6). Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mr. Ryder-Aye, Mr. Pavella-Aye, Mrs. Windnagel-Aye and Mrs. Carson-Aye. The Chairman requested the Director, Deputy Director, Al Vontorcik, IT, Allen Keener, IT, Scott Daisher, Nancy McArthur and Assistant Prosecutor Kristin Rine to also be present in the meeting.

At 10:50 a.m. Mr. Pavella made a motion to return to regular session. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mr. Ryder-Aye, Mr. Pavella-Aye, Mrs. Windnagel-Aye and Mrs. Carson-Aye.

The Board inquired into the meeting in regards to the Newbury Referendum. The Director and Deputy Director reviewed with the Board the steps that need to be taken. The Superintendent of the Geauga Educational Center explained that the committee for the referendum has 30 days after the Resolution is passed by the Board of the Educational Center to gather sufficient valid signatures in order to place the question on the ballot. Per R.C. 3311.22 the committee would need 1335 valid signatures and they must file them with the ESC first and the ESC forwards them to our office to check the signatures.

The Director and Deputy Director attended the Burton Twp. Trustee meeting on September 16 to discuss the possibility of Burton Township B residents voting at the Town Hall. The trustees said they could address some of the ADA items we presented to them now and work on the rest of the items in the spring. This would be a work in progress. They sincerely want to fix the ADA parking, the items protruding from the wall and tend to the sidewalk in the spring. Therefore, Mr. Pavella made a motion to move BurtonTwp B precinct to the Burton Town Hall. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to allocate one Automark per location and one M100 per precinct except in single precinct locations where we will put 2 M100's. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

The Board was reminded of the Budget Meeting on October 1, 2019 from 12-12:30 and they also reviewed the Training Schedule for POEs.

Mr. Pavella made a motion to approve Blue Spark Data, LLC's final price of the cybersecurity agreement in the amount of \$48,023. Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. All voted: Aye.

Mrs. Windnagel made a motion at 11:57 a.m. to go into Executive Session for the purpose of compensation of employees RC 121.22 (G) (1) and Policy Manual Review RC 122.22(G) (1). Mr. Pavella seconded the motion; Mr. Ryder-Aye; Mr. Pavella-Aye; Mrs. Windnagel-Aye; Mrs. Carson-Aye.

At 1:59 p.m. Mr. Pavella made a motion to return to regular session and Mrs. Windnagel seconded the motion. Mr. Ryder-Aye, Mr. Pavella-Aye, Mrs. Windnagel-Aye and Mrs. Carson-Aye.

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

Next meeting: October 17, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

