

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

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February 1, 2018

St. Joseph County
Election Board Meeting
1:00 p.m.

It being the appointed date and time Chairman, Aladean De Rose as Proxy for Catherine Fanello calls the St. Joseph County Election Board Meeting to order. Present are Murray Winn, Republican Member and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Circuit Court Terri J. Rethlake. Also present are:

David Smith-Voting Machine Tech
Frank Fotia-Human Resource
Rick Moffett-Head Voting Machine Tech
Keith McGinnis-RBM
Arielle Brandy-Democratic Member Voter Reg.
Kimberly Riskovitch-Republican Member Voter Reg.
Rita L. Glenn-Chief Deputy Clerk
Lynn Fitzpatrick-Republican County Chair
Troy Warner
Debbie Ladyga-Block
Lisa Plencner
Sue Rodriguez-Election Clerk
Penny Stratton-Election Clerk

1. Call to order
2. The Chairman made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. Minutes stand approved.

Old Business

3. Discussion held re: Annexation Update

John Carlson not able to attend meeting because of illness, Bev Kingston was not up to date on the annexations. Terri stated orders received, completed and accepted. Commissioners approved. Orders Published. Precincts affected are Harris/4-Mish 6-6, Harris 5/Mish 6-6, Penn7/Mish 5-3. All voters have been notified of new voting place. Frank brought to the attention of the board the Lakeville Annexation. VR needs to check with John Carlson. Take action next meeting.

4. Pilot County-Tokens

Secretary of State requested St Joseph County to be a pilot for the SVRS Token Project. Tokens will be assigned to each user with user name and password. Will be assigned in the future. No action taken.

New Business

5. ABS Central Count or Precinct

Keith was asked to explain central count process since certification wasn't done on new election equipment.

Keith stated 2 Central Machines Model 650 all Indiana State Certified would be used. On election day, all ballots will be opened and entered through these machines. Ballots will not be going to polling places. We will need reliable people for bi-partisan teams and a location for this procedure.

Various parties asked questions. Keith responded that ballots can be opened early but can't be scanned until noon. Ballots will be counted by precincts. Once opened all will be scanned at a rate of 60 per minute by precinct.

Aladean De Rose asked for concerns

Murray Winn expressed the need for a large space.

Keith stated make the vote on current machines

Would there be enough time to open the amount of early voting ballots we may receive?

Keith stated if we had 13,000 early ballots we could use 13 teams and that would only require each team to open 1,000 ballots.

Who would over see the Central Count System?

Murray and Terri stated the Election Board would over see Central Count.

Motion to approve Central Count System. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved.

6. Addendum to RBM Contract

Jamie Woods made one change to contract. Added a line to the end for the date. Keith agreed.

Motion to approve Addendum to RBM Contract. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All Approved.
Terri will send to Commissioners to put on their next agenda to approve.

7 ABS office and number of workers

13 total-

Mishawaka office 1 Republican and 1 Democratic

South Bend office 5 Republican and 6 Democratic(this includes Nancy and Cindy)

Motion to approve number of workers. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved

7. Corbett CFA-4 Investigation

Terri Rethlake contacted IED and was told she could open an investigation as Clerk. Letter was sent to Meridian Title and Corbett for Sheriff Committee informing of the investigation, also given date and time of Election Board Meeting. Corbett for Sheriff Committee filed letter in response and stated an amended CFA-4 had been filed. Meridian Title filed forms confirming they are a corporation. Terri Rethlake gave her report of findings based on amended report filed.

On amended report the summary page has a decrease of contributions by 900.00

Schedule A1 7,500.00 by Meridian Title amended to Mark Meyers as an individual.

Schedule A2 removed 400.00 by Meridian Title on 7-20-17 and amended amount to 2000.00 by Meridian Title 12-28-17 from limit 7500.00

As of amended filing there is no longer an excess of 2,000 by corporation. Dan Pfeifer(treasurer)stated if an access is found, they will return and list on this year's CFA-4.

Finding was a misreporting of funds contributed and no violation as of Amended CFA-4

Motion to approve report. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved.

8. Randy Kelly-Update

Fine was assessed on 5-22-17 of \$1000.00 for not submitting CFA-4 on time. Notice was sent and returned not deliverable. CFA-4 report for this year was faxed. Terri had Sue put letter in his Council box to confirm receipt of report and to inform him of the outstanding fine. Email received stating he thought fine was waived and he wouldn't be able to attend today's meeting. Terri went through previous minutes and found fine was not waived. Email sent to Randy confirming fine. Letter with new Election Board Meeting date and time was put in his Council box. Recommendation was to proceed to collections. Needs to be brought to the attention of Attorney Jamie Woods.

Motion to proceed to collections. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. Aladean De Rose abstained as former County Council. Murray Winn and Terri Rethlake approved.

9. ABS Date & Time

April 10-April 13 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

April 16-April 20 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

April 23-April 27 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Saturday April 28, 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:00p.m.

April30-May4 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Saturday May 5, 2018 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Sunday May 6, 2018 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

May 7, 2018 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Mishawaka office will be open on Sunday also.

Motion to approve Date & Time for ABS. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake.

10. Combined Precincts Inspectors and Clerks

Defer to next meeting. Need to look over combined precincts lists for next meeting. Map needed to confirm precincts changes.

Motion to defer to next meeting. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved

11. Ballots # to order

Total registered voter 188,231. Active voters 169,029. Discussion held 80% of Active voters for ballot quantities.

Motion to print. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved.

12. Braun-VR

Brad King from Indiana Election Division was contacted by Kim and Arielle on speaker phone, he told them to approve what you can, and don't count what you can't. They also questioned him about signatures being in the same handwriting, signatures not being registered and addresses and signatures not matching SRVS. They weren't given any clarification about voter fraud.

Election Board to contact IED for response to follow up with Prosecutor for possible voter fraud.

Motion to continue to next meeting. So moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Terri Rethlake. All approved.

13. State Delegate

Republican Party running delegates as a combination of at-large and by County Commissioner district
Democrat Party running delegates at-large.

14. E-pollbook update

Mike Millers is representing Know-ink in our region. Rick and Dave have updated six ipads with new operating system and new application. Four units are here and two still at warehouse. Two will be going to VR. One to Penny(Election Clerk). These four units don't have guided access mode engaged.

15. Machine Techs

9 workers including Rick (same workers as last election) starting March 12, 2018.

16. Inspectors Meetings

Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

17. Public Comment

Susan Rodriguez was recognized for her years of service and given a Key to the County by Commissioner Andy Kostielney.

The next Election Board Meeting will be February 15, 2018 @ 1:00 p.m.

The Chairman makes a motion to adjourn at 2:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Terri J. Rethlake, Secretary
St. Joseph County Election Board

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