Warren County Board of Elections Meeting

March 8, 2018

5:00 PM

MINUTES

LEGAL NOTICE

The meeting of the Warren County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairman Robert Stead.

The legal notice for this meeting was read by Chairman Stead.

ROLE CALL

Present: Chairman Robert Stead, Secretary Harry Brown, Commissioner Gloria Decker, Commissioner Charles Boddy (via telephone), and Board Administrator Bill Duffy.

REORGANIZATION OF THE WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

CHAIR

Chairman Stead requested nominations for Chair of Warren County Board of Elections. Mr. Brown nominated Gloria Decker. Mr. Boddy seconded the nomination. With no additional nominations or requests for discussion regarding this nomination, Charles Boddy made a motion to close nominations which was seconded Harry Brown. By a voice vote nominations were closed. By a voice vote Mrs. Decker was unanimously elected Board Chair.

Chairman Decker began to preside over the meeting

SECRETARY

Chairman Decker asked for nominations for the position of Warren County Board of Elections Secretary. Mr. Stead nominated Charles Boddy for Board Secretary. Mr. Brown seconded the nomination. With no additional nominations or requests for discussion regarding this nomination, Mr. Brown made a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Mr. Stead. By a voice vote nominations were closed. By a voice vote Mr. Boddy was unanimously elected Board Secretary.

NEWSPAPERS

A motion was made by Mr. Stead that The Star Ledger be designated as the official newspaper of the Warren County Board of Elections to receive all notices of meetings as required under the Open Public

Meetings Act and the Daily Record is designated as the alternate newspaper. This motion was seconded by Mr. Brown. This motion was passed by voice vote.

MEETING DATES

A motion was made by Mr. Brown that meeting dates as presented be accepted. Mr. Boddy seconded the motion. This motion was passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

POLLING PLACE UPDATE

The Board and members of the office are waiting for the Department of Elections to provide the new Accessibility Checklist so that the polling places could be approved for the year.

Mr. Duffy provided a letter to the board from John Bell a poll worker at the Hackettstown High School with the pros and cons of the new polling location.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION

The Washington Township Fire District Election was held on February 17. There were no Mail-In ballots requested or returned for this election.

VOTING MACHINE DISCUSSION

The Board spoke concerning the Voting Machine Demonstrations that from the 2 top venders. Mr. Duffy is going to see if there are any additional venders at the NJAEO Conference at the end of the month. The Board had additional questions for the venders and Mr. Duffy was direct to organize them and send them to the venders.

MAIL-IN BALLOT ENVELOPES

The Warren County Clerk, Holly Mackey, has ordered new return envelopes for Mail-In Ballots. The design was as described by the USPS. Mr., Duffy has provided several of these envelopes to the Commissioners for them to mail and test if they are returned to the Board of Election offices. All of the envelopes have Mr. Duffy's home address as the returned mailing address. So far, all the envelopes have been returned to the Election Board offices

SALARY INCREASE MEMO

Mr. Stead made a motion to send a recommended salary increase to the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the unclassified employees of the Board of Elections. This was seconded by Mr. Brown and passed on a voice vote of 4 Ayes to 0 Nays.

POLL WORKER TRAINING

Mr. Duffy provide a list of training dates for the Poll Workers..

MEETING MINUTES

The Board reviewed the Meeting Minutes of the October 19, 2017 and the Provisional Ballot Meeting of November 10, 2017. On motion by Mr. Stead to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes and seconded by Mr. Brown, the Minutes were approved by 3 AYE votes. Mr. Boddy abstained.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Boddy seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with the motion passing unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:13 P.M.