

## GARRETT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 5, 2022

**ATTENDING:** 

Lois A. Martin, Board President

Randy Glotfelty, Board Vice President

Charles Nolan, Board Member Connie Meyers, Board Secretary James Moore, Board Member Steven D. Fratz, Election Director

**ABSENT:** 

None

Steve presented the minutes from the Post-Certification Canvass. Chuck Nolan made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Randy Glotfelty seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

5:05 PM-Meeting was called to order and quorum determined by Lois Martin.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes for the September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting was approved on a motion made by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Connie Meyers and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

#### **ELECTION DIRECTOR REPORT:**

There were 97 new voter registrations and 69 removals in September. Active registered voters are as follows for Garrett County: Democrat -3,739, Republican -13,711, Green Party -25, Libertarian -105, Working Class Party -20, Unaffiliated -2,841, and other parties -158, for a total of 20,599.

Maryland Association of Election Officials (MAEO) held a one-day conference in Annapolis on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Steve and the office staff attended the conference virtually. The seminar topics included consisted of: Emergency Regulations; Election Official Threats, and the hotline established to report the threats; and Self Help, a class on how to deal with the stress of life. The conference also included the Election of Board Members.

The Department of Justice is offering the Edward J Bryne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant to election offices. The grant is to help implement security and safety measures and procedures in the office. To help identify what these measures are Steve has been in contact with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), a division of

Department of Homeland Security. They offer a no-cost assessment/survey of the office and business processes. Alan Frenette from Homeland Security is coming on October 18<sup>th</sup> to do the survey.

The office will be closed on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup> for Columbus Day.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Information pertaining to the 2022 Gubernatorial Primary Election is as follows:

- a) Each polling location is required to have 2 Ballot Marking Devices (BMD).
- b) Ballot boxes were delivered and are accepting ballots. The boxes are located at the Oakland Community Center, Grantsville Fire Department and outside the Board of Elections office.
- c) Mail-in ballots have been shipped and have started arriving at their destination.
- d) Upcoming Schedule
  - Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, Ballot Marking Device, Logic and Accuracy testing will begin.
  - October 10th 14<sup>th</sup>, Specimen Ballots will be delivered to voters.
  - Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, Steve and Julie Fratz-Orr, County Technician, will begin Logic and Accuracy testing on Early Voting Scanners (DS200's) and canvassing.
  - Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, the Board will begin Logic and Accuracy on the Election Day Scanners (DS200's).
  - Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, the Public Demo of voting equipment will start at 9:00 a.m.
  - Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, Early Voting begins at 7:00 a.m.
- e) There are currently 2 authorized write-in's 1 for Governor and 1 for US Senator.

# NEW BUSINESS AND CORRESPONDENCE: ADJOURNMENT:

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 1st at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. on a motion by Randy Glotfelty, seconded by Chuck Nolan, and made unanimous by Lois Martin.

Lois Martin, Board President