

**November 18, 2021 Meeting of the Delaware County Board of Elections
Certification of the Nov. 2021 Municipal Election Results
Meeting Minutes**

In attendance:

Gerald Lawrence, Chairman
Ashley Lunkenheimer, Board Member
John P. McBlain, Board Member
William Martin & Manly Parks, Solicitors
Jim Allen, Director of Elections
Douglas Degenhardt, Return Board
Jean Davidson, Return Board
Jim Savage, Voting Machine Warehouse Supervisor

Michael Puppio, Springfield
Sherry Smith, Newtown Square

Mr. Lawrence called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Consideration of Agenda.

Approval of Minutes October 13, 2021. Mr. Allen stated there was a correction of Mr. Manly Parks being the solicitor not Mr. Molinaro. A motion to approve the October 13, 2021 minutes with the correction was made by Ms. Lunkenheimer and seconded by Mr. McBlain. Motion carried 3-0.

Director of Elections Report. Mr. Allen commended staff and other participants for their work, citing in particular Controller's Office employee Debi Henderson and John Guzler, a spouse of an employee, who pitched in and went above and beyond. He mentioned issues with printer vendor and practices which will be taken in the future. All Board members commented.

Status report: Statewide recount for office of Judge of the Commonwealth Court was covered in director of elections report.

Pay for party workers assisting in the Statewide Recount. Mr. Allen informed the Board that he planned to use bipartisan representatives of the two political parties for the transcribing of any ballots during the recount. Mr. Allen requested authorization to pay, retroactively to Nov. 17, of \$16.00/hour. Ms. Lunkenheimer moved and Mr. McBlain seconded the motion to pay political party workers assisting with the recount \$16.00 hourly. Motion carried 3-0.

Accumulations of Write-In Votes, based on petitions filed by noon Nov. 17, 2021: There were three petitions to accumulate for Charles Chas Willis, Diane Hunter and John Lincoln. Mr. Allen stated that the write in candidates for Judge of Election and Inspector of Elections will be contacted to determine if those individuals wished to take the office. Ms. Lunkenheimer moved and Mr. McBlain seconded a motion to approve the accumulation of votes recommended by the Director of Elections. Motion carried 3-0.

Certification of Results of the Nov. 2, 2021 Municipal Election. Mr. Lawrence stated that the board will not be certifying Upper Chichester 4 or Eddystone Borough Mayor as there are outstanding court cases for recounts or the Commonwealth Court. as well as Darby Borough 3-1 Judge of Elections race. Mr. Lawrence described the

return board and their tasks. Mr. Degenhardt and Ms. Davidson then gave the Return Board report. Mr. McBlain made comments. Mr. Savage made comments on occurrences. Ms. Lunkenheimer made comments. Ms. Lunkenheimer moved and Mr. McBlain seconded a motion to certify the election results, excepting for Council in Upper Chichester Ward 4, Eddystone Borough Mayor, Judge of the Commonwealth Court and Judge of Elections in Darby Borough 3-1. Mr. Puppio commented on viewing the spreadsheet and asked several questions regarding the return board which Mr. Savage answered. Mr. Puppio made further comments. Ms. Smith made comments. Motion to certify the results carried 3-0.

Public Comment. None.

Next meeting date meeting to certify the rest of the offices of the election.

Recount for the petitioners in Upper Chichester and Eddystone will begin on or after November 30, 2021.

Meeting recessed to be re-convened on the call of the Chair.

**December 22, 2021 Re-Convening of the Recessed Certification Meeting of November 18, 2021
To Certify the Results of the November 2, 2021 Municipal Election
Meeting Minutes**

In attendance:

Gerald Lawrence, Chair

Ashley Lunkenheimer, Board Member

John P. McBlain, Board Member

J. Manly Parks, Solicitor

Mr. Lawrence called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

The Chair explained that this was a reconvened meeting of the original certification of results from the Nov. 2, 2021 Municipal Election. The original certification meeting on Nov. 18 did not include certification of results for Commissioner in Upper Chichester Ward 4 and did not include certification of results for Mayor of Eddystone because of recount actions filed in each contest.

The Chair noted that the recount lawsuit had been withdrawn in the contest for Commissioner of Upper Chichester for Ward 4. Ms. Lunkenheimer moved to certify the original election results in this contest. Mr. McBlain seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

There being no further business, and in acknowledgment that there remained a pending recount in the contest for Mayor of Eddystone, the Board recessed the Certification meeting, to be re-convened at the call of the Chair.

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**February 2, 2022 Re-Convening of the Recessed Certification Meeting of November 18, 2021
To Certify the Results of the November 2, 2021 Municipal Election
Meeting Minutes**

In attendance:

Gerald Lawrence, Chair

Ashley Lunkenheimer, Board Member

John P. McBlain, Board Member

James P. Allen, Elections Director

J. Manly Parks, Solicitor

Mr. Lawrence called the meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

The Solicitor administered the oaths of office to the Board members, all of whom were re-appointed in January by the Delaware County Council.

Ms. Lunkenheimer moved and Mr. McBlain seconded a motion to have Mr. Lawrence continue to serve as Chairman of the Delaware County Board of Elections. Motion was approved.

Mr. Allen noted that the recount lawsuit had been withdrawn in the contest for Mayor of Eddystone. Mr. Allen praised the work of the poll workers in Eddystone, where the 3-vote margin in the contest for mayor was verified in the recount. Ms. Lunkenheimer moved and Mr. McBlain seconded a motion to certify the original election results in the contest for Mayor of Eddystone. The motion was approved.

This concluded the certifications of results from the Nov. 2, 2021 Municipal Election. The Board adjourned the certification meeting.

The Board briefly convened as the Voter Registration Commission (VRC). The Solicitor administered the oaths of office to the Board members. No action was taken during the VRC portion of the meeting. There being no further action, the Voter Registration Commission adjourned the meeting.