

**DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 MEETING**

PRESENT: Ashley Lunkenheimer
John P. McBlain
Scott Alberts
Manly Parks, Solicitor
Jim Allen, Director of Elections
Jackie Dunn, Voting Machine Warehouse
Crystal Winterbottom, Voter Registration
Public Comment:
Ginamarie Ellis, Mayor, Chester Heights
Vincent Barbieri, Springfield
Marta Driscoll, Council Member, Chester Heights
Joe Campisano, Chester Heights
Colleen Guiney, Democratic Chairwoman
County Council Member Christine Reuther
Kathryn Buckley, Edgmont Twp. 2
Lewis Trauffer, Haverford Twp. 8-1
Joanne Torrillo, Edgmont 1
Joy Schwartz, Upper Darby 3-3
Scott O'Donnell, Upper Providence Twp. 5
Shira Alberts, Upper Darby 7-3
Rita Miniak, Brookhaven 4
Chris Fabre, Upper Darby 5-3
Karen Fritz, Haverford Twp. 8-1
Carris Kocher, Concord Twp. 7
Joann Stump, Edgmont 1
Joanne Holstein, Marple 5-2

Ms. Lunkenheimer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Consideration of the Agenda

Mr. Alberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBlain, to amend the agenda to add approval of minutes. Motion carried 3-0. Mr. Alberts then made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBlain, to approve the July 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

Proposed Polling Place Change in Chester Heights Borough: Ms. Dunn report on a proposed change and asked that the matter be tabled. Public comments were received. Mr. Alberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBlain, to table the matter. Motion carried 3-0.

Director of Elections Report

Mr. Allen discussed: plans to consolidate micro precincts and possibly split others that have grown too large, starting when the laws allow such changes, in 2023; the recent state conference

of election officials; the Department of State's new combined voter-registration/vote-by-mail application; funding and requirements under Act 88 of 2022; and performance of a compliance review, under Act 88, of laws related to registration, mail ballots, pre-canvassing and canvassing of ballots. Mr. McBlain made a motion, seconded by Mr. Alberts, to approve and sign the Act 88 compliance report. Public comment was received. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Allen next discussed: Act 66 of 2022 regarding Election Day ballot order and Delaware County's compliance; the special election for Commissioner of Haverford Township – Ward 1; the status of ballot design and testing; the upcoming Sept. 24 mailing of Military and Overseas ballots; and a target date for mailing civilian ballots on or about Oct. 5.

Solicitor Report.

Mr. Parks discussed litigation filed against the Secretary of the Commonwealth and all 67 county election offices in the state. Mr. Parks then discussed the 22-month retention issue and plans to continue retaining records from the November 2020 Election.

Drop Box Status. Mr. Allen noted that Upper Chichester Township canceled the agreement for the drop box at that municipal complex. The Upper Chichester box has been removed and the camera and related equipment will be removed in coming weeks.

Mr. Allen requested a vote from the Board to remove the Media Borough drop box, given that there have been camera issues there, and given that there is a drop box a few blocks away in Media at the Government Center. Public comment was received. Mr. Alberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBlain, to cancel the drop box agreement for Media Borough Hall. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Allen reported that repairs/replacement work on drop boxes in Marple and Millbourne. Additionally, Aston Township may ask to relocate the drop box there. Mr. Allen informed the Board that Mr. Robert Wright is working to have dedicated computers to log and store videos from the drop boxes.

Polling Places. Ms. Dunn reported that Chester City 1-4 & 2-1 precincts need to move to the Palmer House Apartments. Mr. Alberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. McBlain, to relocate Chester City 1-4 & 2-1. Motion carried 3-0. Notices will be sent to affected voters.

Public comment was received.

Next meeting date scheduled for Sept. 27. Meeting adjourned.