## PRE-ELECTION MEETING OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OCTOBER 13, 2022

**PRESENT:** Ashley Lunkenheimer, Chair, Delaware County Board of Elections

John P. McBlain, Member, Delaware County Board of Elections

Scott Alberts, Delaware County Board of Elections

Jim Allen, Director of Elections

Nick Centrella, Solicitor

Jackie Dunn, Voting Machine Warehouse Crystal Winterbottom, Voter Registration

**Public Comment:** 

Chris Fabre Lewis Trauffer Scott Thomas

Joanne Stump Joy Schwartz Martin Kurlich Bill MacIntyre

Laura Lewis

Ms. Lunkenheimer called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes. Mr. Alberts made a motion, and Mr. McBlain seconded the motion, to approve the Sept. 27, 2022 minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

Consideration of the Agenda. Mr. Allen said that under the polling place changes, Darby Boro would be postponed. The 4 locations in Upper Darby would be action items. The last item was informational only, in that the room, not the address of the polling place, was changing.

Public Comment: Members of the voting public made public comments to the Board and Director of Elections.

Director of Elections Report. Mr. Allen informed the board regarding the mailing of the vote by mail ballots. Along with this information he stated the streaming at the Wharf will be turned on the next day. Mr. Allen also reported on: the status of drop boxes; changes in poll worker training; various activities in all four areas of elections (registration, mail-in/absentee, poll worker placement/training and logic-and-accuracy testing at the warehouse). Mr. Allen gave the current statistics of mail-in/absentee applications processed and mailings.

Solicitor Report. The solicitor discussed changes discussed at the last meeting relative to the Supreme Court ruling to vacate based on mootness. Ms. Lunkenheimer noted that the office and Board will segregate undated envelopes or envelopes with no secrecy envelopes. Mr. Allen explained the steps that will be taken to segregate and process ballots from undated envelopes in one or more separate batches – so that if the Department of State or the courts provided different guidance, those votes could be backed out of the counts.

Drop Box Status. Mr. Allen stated that the Marple camera is now working and the Millborne location is still be worked on along with a new issue in Upper Chichester.

Polling Place Change. Upper Darby 1-1, 1-2 1-9 and 3-10. Ms. Dunn stated that she was notified that the location used in the Primary cannot host the election on November 8, 2022 and proposed moving the location to St. John's Indian Orthodox Church in Drexel Hill, which meets all requirements, and which had bipartisan

support of local party leaders. Mr. Alberts made a motion to move the Upper Darby 1-1, 1-2, 1-9 and 3-10 to St. Johns Indian Orthodox Church and Mr. McBlain seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Allen informed the Board and the voting public that the polling place for Springfield 7-1 changed in name only, to Spring Valley, and notifications are being sent to voters out of an abundance of caution. Similarly, in Upper Providence 3, the Rose Tree Elementary gym will be used instead of another room, and notices are being sent to voters out of an abundance of caution. There was discussion regarding how the precinct change of Darby Borough 1-1 to Blessed Virgin Mary School in Darby would need to be presented at the next meeting.

Campaign Finance. There were no issues that required Board consideration at this meeting.

Mr. Allen answered remaining questions from the Board.

Next meeting date would be the regularly scheduled meeting at 9 am on Oct. 25, 2022.

Meeting adjourned.