

## BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

MEET: Time 6:00            6/5/2019

Where: Planning and Zoning Conference Room, City Hall

**Present:** Elisabeth Mickenberg, Lenore Broughton, Kate Baldwin, Weiwei Wang, Helen Rock, Michelle Lefkowitz, Larry Granillo, Martha Gile, Youth Member Rebecca Cunningham

**Absent:** Charles Cashatt, Katherine Miles, Jim Rader, Mohamed Jafar, Youth Member Tula Adie

**Also Present:** Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk

**Meeting called to order by Chair Lis**

**Agenda:** The agenda was accepted as presented.

**Meeting Length:** The meeting length was set for 1 hour.

**Minutes:** Larry Granillo requested a correction to change the spelling of “latter” to “letter”. Helen Rock requested a correction to the location of the next meeting. Helen Rock made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Lenore Broughton. The motion passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Approval of Applications:** Amy Bovee submitted: May: new voter registrations 124, purged 14, transferred out of town 89.

Michelle Lefkowitz made a motion to accept the number, seconded by Martha Gile. Motion passed unanimously.

**Clerk's Report:** Amy Bovee provided a report showing the number of defective ballots that the City had received for each election from 2016 to present. Board members noted that the numbers were especially high for August Primaries due to the requirement that unused ballots must be returned for ballots to be counted. The Board discussed further work that could be done to improve instructions and also opportunities for community outreach to better educate voters about the requirements.

She also reported that Lenore Broughton and Katherine Miles terms on the Board will be ending on June 30. Lenore Broughton had re-applied for the Board, and they had received one additional application. City Council will address those applications at their last meeting in June.

She also reported that the Board will not meet in July.

**Member's Reports:**

**Oath Subcommittee:** Members of the Oath Subcommittee were unable to attend the meeting, but provided a draft letter to be sent to the Secretary of State requesting changes to the Oath. The Board agreed to review their letter and discuss in more detail at their next meeting.

**Absentee Ballot Envelope Subcommittee:** Michelle Lefkowitz handed out a draft envelope that the Subcommittee had prepared. Board members agreed to discuss it and address at their next meeting. The Board also discussed looking at the instructions on the Primary Envelopes. Amy Bovee agreed to send copies of both the regular and primary envelopes to the Board for their review.

**Review Application Signing Schedule**

July 2 – Martha, July 5 – Lis, July 9 – Kate, July 12 – Helen, July 16 – Lenore, July 19- Weiwei, July 23 - Larry, July 26 – Larry, July 30 – Michelle, Aug 2 – Weiwei

**New Business**

**a. Approve List of Voters to Challenge and Purge**

Amy Bovee presented the Board with a list of 2,469 voters to be challenged. These are voters who did not participate in the past two general elections. Each voter will receive a letter asking them if they are eligible to remain on the checklist. Voters can reply asking to be removed from the list, or asking to remain on the list. Any voter who does not reply will remain on the list as challenged until two more general elections have passed. At that time, they can be removed. She also presented the Board with a list of 5,917 voters to be purged. These are voters who were previously challenged and did not participate in the past two General Elections.

Larry Granillo made a motion to approve the list of 2,469 voters to be challenged and 5,917 voters to be purged, seconded by Michelle Lefkowitz. The motion passed unanimously.

Michelle Lefkowitz made a motion to adjourn at 7:06pm, seconded by Weiwei Wang. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 6, 6pm, Community Room, Police Department

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk