BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

MEET:  Time_ 6:00  12/1/2020
Where: Remote and Virtual via Zoom

Present: Elisabeth Mickenberg, Helen Rock, Jim Rader, Lenore Broughton, Martha Gile, Ariana Cano, Michelle Lefkowitz, Charles Cashatt, Kate Baldwin, Larry Granillo, Youth Member Rebecca Cunningham

Absent: Annie Schneider

Also Present: Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk

Meeting called to order by Chair Lis

Agenda: Michelle Lefkowitz made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Martha Gile. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Minutes: Lenore Broughton made a motion to accept the minutes from October 6 and October 20 as presented, seconded by Michelle Lefkowitz. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: N/A

Approval of Applications: Amy Bovee reported October: New Registrations 910, Transfer out of Town 594, Purged 81. November: New Registrations 637 (351 on election day), Transfer out of Town 314, Purged 50.

Michelle Lefkowitz mad a motion to accept the numbers as presented, seconded by Martha Gile. The motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report

Amy Bovee reported that the General Election had run very smoothly, especially considering that it was the first time using a new system. She stated that they are in the process of finishing clean up from the General Election and beginning to prepare for Town Meeting Day.

Recap November Election:

Board members reported that overall things went well in their wards, that the setup and traffic flow worked smoothly, and that the day was steady. Board members reported that they encountered more challenged voters because of the system that was used this year. They discussed having a script or information available to provide information about what a voter challenge is for future elections. Lenore Broughton inquired if there were any issues with voters arriving at the polls and their name was already checked off of the entrance checklist. Amy Bovee reported that there were two issues. In one case it was a clerical error involving a father and son with the same name. In the second case, the voter was
allowed to cast a provisional ballot. The provisional ballot ultimately was counted. The matter was referred to the Attorney General’s Office and is currently under investigation.

On a motion by Michelle Lefkowitz, seconded by Jim Rader, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk