

BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

MEET: Time 6:00 8/1/2017

Where: Community Room, Police Department

Present: Lis Mickenberg, Katherine Miles, Alex Farrell, Martha Gile, Jim Rader, Michelle Lefkowitz, Helen Rock

Absent: Jake Schumann, Charles Cashatt, Lenore Broughton

Also Present: Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk

Meeting called to order by Chair Lis @ 6:15 p.m.

Agenda: The agenda was accepted as presented.

Meeting Length: The Board agreed that the meeting would end at 7:00pm.

Minutes: Motion made by Katherine Miles to accept the minutes, seconded by Alex Farrell. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: None.

Approval of Applications: Amy Bovee submitted: June: new voter registrations 178, purged 40, transferred out of town 83. July: new voter registrations 157, purged 37, transferred out of town 59.

Motion made by Michelle Lefkowitz to accept the numbers, seconded by Martha Gile. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Report: No report

Member's Report: No report

Review Application Signing Schedule

The Board set their schedule for August and September:

Aug 4, 11, 15, 18– Martha, Aug 22 – Helen, Aug 25 – Michelle

Sept 1 – Alex, Sept 5 – Martha, Sept 8 - Katherine, Sept 12 – Helen, Sept 15 – Jim, Sept 19 – Michelle, Sept 22, 26 – TBD, Sept 29 - Lis

New Business

a. Approve Voter Challenge and Purge Lists

Amy Bovee presented the Board with lists of voters to be purged and challenged. Voters to be purged are voters who have been challenged and have not participated in the past two General Elections since

being challenged. These names will be removed from the voter checklist. Voters to be challenged are voters who have been registered to vote since before the November 2014 General Election and have not voted since that time. These voters will be sent a letter with a postage paid postcard asking them whether or not they still live in Burlington and are eligible to remain on the voter checklist. Voters who reply will be either purged or re-activated depending on their response. Those voters who do not reply will remain on the checklist as challenged until they either contact the City to vote, or until two more General Elections pass without their participating.

Helen Rock made a motion to approve the list of names of 299 voters to be purged and 6,769 voters to be challenged, seconded by Jim Rader. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Sign Annual Report

The Board reviewed their annual report to the City Council and members present signed the report.

c. Elect Chair and Vice Chair

Michelle Lefkowitz nominated Lis Mickenberg to serve as chair, seconded by Martha Gile. The Board voted unanimously to appoint Lis Mickenberg as chair.

Helen Rock nominated Michelle Lefkowitz to serve as vice chair, seconded by Alex Farrell. The Board voted unanimously to appoint Michelle Lefkowitz as vice chair.

d. New Member Recruitment

Amy Bovee reminded Board members that there are two newly created seats on the Board that will need to be filled. She also noted that they are expecting a member to resign in the near future. She encouraged members to recruit folks to fill those seats.

Board members noted that most members live in Wards 1, 4 and 7. They discussed reaching out to City Councilors and people that they know who live in other City wards. Lis Mickenberg and Amy Bovee agreed to draft a letter to send to City Councilors in unrepresented wards encouraging them to recruit constituents.

e. SSN Issue

Amy Bovee and Lis Mickenberg agreed to draft a letter to the Secretary of State's Office asking for more information about the Social Security Number verification process. They agreed to present the letter to the Board at their next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 5, 6pm, Community Room, Police Department

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk