

BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

MEET: Time 6:00            6/6/2017

Where: Public Records Room, Assessor's Office, City Hall

**Present:** Lis Mickenberg, Katherine Miles, Charles Cashatt, Lenore Broughton, Janet Hicks, Alex Farrell

**Absent:** Helen Rock, Martha Gile, Michelle Lefkowitz, Jake Schumann

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

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

**Agenda:** The agenda was accepted with an amendment to add a discussion of the summer meeting schedule.

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

**Minutes:** Katherine Miles noted that Michelle Lefkowitz was listed as both present and absent. Amy Bovee said she would correct the minutes to list Michelle as absent. Motion made by Charles Cashatt, second by Janet Hicks, to adopt the minutes as amended.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Approval of Applications:** Amy Bovee submitted: May: new voter registrations 128, purged 17, transferred out of town 90.

Motion made by Charles Cashatt to accept the numbers, seconded by Janet Hicks. Motion passed unanimously.

**Clerk's Report:** Amy Bovee reported that the Clerk's Office will be preparing for the June 27 Special Election. She also reported that after that Election, the Board will be able to purge all challenged voters who have not participated in the last two General Elections, and to challenge all active voters who have not participated in the last two General Elections. She announced that the Board had received applications for the two positions that are up for reappointment.

**Member's Report:** Janet Hicks announced that she will not be reapplying to the Board after her term expires this year. The Board thanked her for her service.

**Review Application Signing Schedule**

The Board set their schedule for June and July:

June 13 – Lenore, June 16 – Alex, June 20 – Charles, June 23 – Janet, June 27 – Election Day, June 30 – Michelle

July 7 – Charles, July 11 – Lenore, July 14 – Alex, July 18 – Katherine, July 21 – Martha, July 25 – Lis, July 28 – Michelle

### **New Business**

#### **a. Special Election – June 27**

The Board scheduled the following for the June 27 Special Election:

7am-10am – Helen

10am-1pm – Katherine

1pm-4pm – Lis

4pm-7pm – Lenore

#### **b. SSN Issue**

Amy Bovee presented the Board with some data that they had requested at the last meeting regarding voters with Not Verified Social Security Numbers. She noted that there are approximately 1,800 voters, or 5%, whose social security numbers have not been verified. Of these voters, approximately 1,100 or 2/3 have been voting regularly. 1/3 are challenged already or will be challenged this year. Of NVS voters, 82% are under 30 years old. She also noted that the number of NVS voters had dropped by approximately 100 in the past month.

She also reported that there were 80 people who registered at the polls in the March Election. None of their confirmation letters were returned undeliverable.

The Board suggested that they pose the following questions to the Secretary of State's Office:

- What is the process for verifying Social Security Numbers?
- Why does the process take so long?
- What happens if a voter's identity cannot be verified?

Lis Mickenberg stated she would work with Amy Bovee to draft a letter that they would review with the Board before submitting to the Secretary of State's Office.

#### **c. Summer Meeting Schedule**

Alex Farrell made a motion to cancel the July meeting, seconded by Katherine Miles. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 1, 6pm, Community Room, Police Department

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk