BOARD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

MEET:  Time  6:00  9/5/2017

Where: Community Room, Police Department

Present:  Lis Mickenberg, Alex Farrell, Martha Gile, Jim Rader, Michelle Lefkowitz, Helen Rock, Charles Cashatt, Lenore Broughton

Absent:  Jake Schumann, Katherine Miles

Also Present:  Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk

Meeting called to order by Chair Lis @ 6:08 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 Martha Gile to accept the minutes, seconded by Helen Rock. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments:  None.

Approval of Applications:  Amy Bovee submitted: August: new voter registrations 112, purged 372, transferred out of town 73.

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 October:


New Business

a.  Update on Voter Challenge and Purge Lists

Amy Bovee informed the Board that voter challenge letters were sent out in mid-August. All voters who were on the purge list have been removed from the checklist. In response to a request from Board members, she reported that of the voters who were challenged lived in the following wards:
Ward 1 – 13%
Ward 2 – 16%
Ward 3 – 15%
Ward 4 – 8%
Ward 5 – 10%
Ward 6 – 13%
Ward 7 – 7%
Ward 8 – 17%

She said she would provide the Board with an update on the response when more responses had come in.

b. Update on New Member Recruitment

Amy Bovee reported that the two newly created positions have been posted. The Board reviewed a letter to City Councilors. Amy Bovee agreed to send the letter to the City Council and ask that it be posted on Front Porch Forum citywide. Board members discussed recruiting friends, neighbors and speaking at their NPAs. The Board agreed that they would like to recruit people from different background and from Wards that are not currently represented on the Board.

c. SSN Issue

The Board reviewed a draft letter to the Vermont Secretary of State’s Office asking for more information about the process for verifying Social Security numbers. They agreed on the language of the letter and Amy Bovee agreed to send it.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 3, 6pm, Community Room, Police Department

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Bovee, Assistant City Clerk