

Harrisonburg City Electoral Board Work Session
Minutes
October 19, 2016
10:00 AM
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*In Attendance*

Sandra Price- Stroble, Chairman; Bill Ney, Vice Chairman;  
Jane Grant Burner, Secretary  
Tony Brown of the Daily News Record and Josh Humphries, JMU Representatives.

*Agenda*

Chairman Price-Stroble called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

A motion was made by Ney to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Burner.  
All board members voted in favor.

A motion was made by Ney to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Price-Stroble.  
All board members voted in favor.

*Welcome to Visitors*

Tony Brown and Josh Humphries were welcomed.

*Director of Elections Report – Deborah Logan*

- The City of Harrisonburg has 28,600 registered voters as of 10/19/16 and That number is up 2000 since the Primary
- 30,000 ballots have been ordered for the November 8<sup>th</sup> Election
- More registered voters are anticipated between now and the November Election so the question is whether to order more ballot scanner machines since each precinct should vote no more than 4,000 ballots per scanner
- Addition ballot scanner machines, if rented, will be a cost of \$1,200 per machine

Price-Stroble made a motion to rent [1] additional DS-200 scanner and Burner seconded the motion.

All board members voted in favor of renting the additional scanner and acceptance testing of the machine will be needed.

- Logan reported that there have been many denials of voter registrations due to applicants not following directions or applicants not currently living within the city limits
- VERIS, the system that maintains the voter data for The State Board of Elections has experienced problems with slowness due to massive reports being run at all Director of Elections offices across the state. Logan is concerned there might be a problem with slowness of VERIS on Election Day

- Per Logan there will have to be separate training for the CAP Precinct with Logan handling the training
- The [19] fraudulent names that were previously submitted to the Director of Elections Office will need to be dealt with by the Electoral Board before the November Election. City Attorney Brown was called to the meeting
- Two candidates did not file 'financial reports' for the June Primary on time penalties have accrued
- A statement of organization was required by candidate Kai Deigner for Congress and it has not been filed in a timely manner and fines have accrued. This is a civil penalty and the Commonwealth Attorney is now in charge of the matter
- Logan stated that Diane Nardi the Assistant Director of Elections has exceptional organizational skills has moved the voter registration process in the office in a timely and efficient manner
- JMU Voter Registrations have gone well
- Logan stated that On-line Voter Registrations cannot be submitted if not completed correctly
- Two of the 'American with Disabilities Act' machines for the city precincts were repaired by PrintElect
- Logan ordered [50] more Presidential Ballots
- Reporter Brown was reminded that a request had been made to run an explanation article in the Daily New Record in reference to the two amendments that will be on the November Ballot

### **Meeting Recessed**

Meeting recessed at 10:55 a.m.

### **Resumed Meeting**

Meeting resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Chris Brown, City Attorney, advised that the Electoral Board remove the fraudulent names and SS numbers of the [19] voter registrations that were submitted to the Harrisonburg Director of Elections on August 4, 2016.

Ney made a motion to remove the fraudulent voter registrations. Price-Stroble seconded the motion. All members voted in favor.

### **Closed Session**

A motion was made at 11:05 a.m. by Ney and seconded by Price-Stroble adjourn the public meeting and reconvene in Closed Session to discuss personnel matters according to authority of the Code of Virginia 2.2-3711. All board members voted in favor.

### Open Session

At 12:55 p.m. Ney made a motion to return to public session. The motion was seconded by Price-Stroble. A Roll Call vote was taken as required by 2.210-3712-D of the Code of Virginia to certify that during the Closed Session only business transpired as allowed according to the authority of code 2.2-371-A1. Ney - yes, Burner -yes, Price-Stroble-yes.

Ney made a motion to approve new Officers of Election [Officers 1-3 were approved with number 1 needing to make a necessary change on the application form]. Price-Stroble seconded the motion and all board members voted yes in favor of the motion.

It was suggested that Election Officers could pick up their training manuals for review ahead of the training sessions.

### Adjournment

With no further business a motion was made by Ney and seconded by Burner to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 p.m. All board members voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Grant Burner, Secretary