

PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Board of Election Supervisors held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 15, 1985, at the Board office. The meeting was called to order at 2 P.M. by President Banzhoff. Mr. Banzhoff introduced Aaron Steiner, member of the Republican Central Committee. The Senator and Delegate of Legislative District 3A and the Chairmen of the Democrat and Republican Central Committees had been invited to this meeting in order to have input concerning the change in the boundary line between Election District 18-1 and 18-2. They were unable to attend.

The following were recorded present:

Virgil E. Banzhoff, Board President
R. Lee McCauley, Democrat Member
Walter F. Bell, Jr, Republican Member
Oscar W. Spigler, Democrat Alternate
Geraldine M. Harmon, Republican Alternate
Dorothy M. Waters, Chief Clerk
Daris A. Phillips, Chief Clerk
Aaron Steiner, Member of Republican Central Committee
Jean D. Calhoun, Staff

The map showing the new dividing line between Election District 18-1 and 18-2 was presented by Jean Calhoun. She informed the group this change will affect only 36 registered voters. After discussion a motion was made by Lee McCauley and seconded by Walt Bell that we adopt the change as follows: Beginning 1/16 of a mile ENE of the intersection of Mt. Aetna and Robinwood Drive, east on Robinwood Drive to the northeast edge of Hagerstown Junior College property to the southern end of Harp Road, north on Harp Road to the intersection of Harp Road and Route 64, west on Route 64 to the intersection of Route 64 and Trovinger Mill Road, north on Trovinger Mill Road to where it meets the Antietam Creek where it continues to follow the Antietam Creek to the line of Election District 9. For proper precinct placement the center line of the roads and the creek will be the dividing line between 18-1 and 18-2. Motion carried.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on September 10, 1985 were approved as submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The Board Members discussed the SABEL meeting held at Ocean City. They thought the meeting was very productive, but that too much business was covered in the amount of time allotted. They were dissatisfied with the meals and will probably not be taking the meal package for future meetings.

The office Christmas Party will be held at the Sheraton on December 9, 1985 at 6:30 P.M. Mrs. Harmon invited the group to her home for happy hour prior to the dinner.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dottie discussed with the Board the possibility of changing some polling places that might be more accessible to the handicapped. In District 11-2 we will check on the Dargan Firehall, as the Dargan School is inaccessible and in District 25-1 we will check on the Bethel Gardens Community Hall which might be more accessible than the Old North Street school. She advised the Board that she has checked with the Board of Education and they suggested using portable wooden ramps instead of doing curb cuts where needed to make the schools more accessible.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dottie advised the Board that a meeting will be held in our office on Friday, October 18, 1985 with the Department of State Planning concerning the Block Boundary Suggestion Program sponsored by the Census Bureau. This will give the County and City Planners and the Election Board an opportunity to suggest certain visible features as block boundaries in the 1990 Census.

Dottie asked the Board if they wanted our Attorney, Mr. William Dunham, invited to our Board meetings, as this suggestion was made at the SABEL conference. Motion by Mr. Bell and seconded by Mr. McCauley that Mr. Dunham be invited to attend our regular Board meetings. Motion carried.

Mr. Bell advised the Board that he is working on the phone lines that will be necessary when going on line with the Annapolis Data Center. It was suggested that we contact the Annapolis Data Center for equipment specs in preparation for acquiring our on line equipment.

Dottie advised the Board that Howard County will also be attending the Seminar that will be held here on November 22, 1985. This seminar will be conducted by Becky Babinec concerning the Fair Election Practices.

The Board was asked if they wanted to contribute to the United Way. None of them were interested as they give elsewhere.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P. M. The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12, 1985 at 2 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy M. Waters

Dorothy M. Waters, Chief Clerk