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The meeting was called to order by President Bartles at 2:50 P.M. at Washington County Office Building, Hagerstown, Maryland, on September 13, 1977.

The following were recorded present:

A. H. Bartles, Sr.
J. Dennis Koogle
Charles L. Downey
John E. Corderman
Donald V. Diehl
William F. Dunham
Dottie Waters
Daris Phillips

Proceedings of the preceding meeting held on August 9, 1977, were read and on motion of Mr. Downey and Mr. Koogle were approved as read. Motion carried.

Under communications the President requested the attorney to review the executive order by the Governor concerning the open meeting law and to advise us if we are complying with this order.

The attorney advised that two weeks prior to each of our regular meetings, a notice of the meeting should be posted on wall in lobby of County Office Building and in Courthouse.

Motion by Koogle and Downey that communications be accepted as read and appropriately filed. Motion carried.

Under unfinished business the President announced that the dehumidifiers have been purchased from Spicher's and delivered to the Roads Department. They will do the electrical wiring that is necessary and purchase garden hose to hook them up and bill us for the hose.

The President presented the Board with the cover letter and survey form and the list of Chief Judges designated to receive this form. Motion by Downey and Koogle that the letter and survey form to be sent to the Chief Judges, in regard to determining if the polling places are barrier free, be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion by Koogle and Downey that the Board accept the list of Poll Workers submitted as requested by previous Board action. Motion carried.

The Board took action that those Chief Judges entitled to mileage expense in previous elections will be allowed 15¢ per mile for this special election.

The President reported that after our trip to Allegany County to observe computer printouts, it was determined that it would be feasible for Washington County to proceed with using printouts for the Special Election on November 8, 1977.

Waters distributed a copy of the letter sent to Willard Morris, State Administrator, advising him that Washington County would be going on computer printouts for the November 8, 1977, Special Election.

The President reported on his communication with Talbot County requesting information on their Charter Election. The information received from Talbot County substantiated some of the Board's previous actions. This will be turned over to the County Commissioners for their consideration.

Under new business, President Bartles announced that a school for the Chief Judges will be held on October 31, at 7:30 P.M., at South High. Also that we will be using Boonsboro High School for our polling place in District 6.

The Board and its staff adopted the following schedule to conduct the Special Election:

- Sept. 13 - Order Poll Workers Cards - Also Board meeting day
- Sept. 19-23 - Have ballot on public display
- Sept. 26 - Get bids back from printers - Meet and give out order at 1 P.M.
- Oct. 1 - Answer to survey letter due back
- Oct. 6 - Have printing for voting machines ready
- Oct. 6 - Mail cards to poll workers
- Oct. 10 - Last day to register - open until 9 P.M.
- Oct. 10 - Last day to apply for barrier-free polling place
- Oct. 11 - Board meeting day
- Oct. 13 - Printer should have absentee ballots ready
- Oct. 14 - Cards due back from poll workers
- Oct. 20 - Send letter about Poll Workers School
- Oct. 29 - Put ballot in paper
- Oct. 31 - School for Chief Judges - 7:30 P.M. at South High
- Nov. 1 - Mail cards to judges to be at polls
- Nov. 1 - Start filling boxes
- Nov. 1 - Last day to apply for absentee ballot
- Nov. 5 & 7 - Back page ads go in paper
- Nov. 5 - Give out supplies to poll workers
- Nov. 8 - Election Day
- Nov. 25 - Books reopen

The President presented the question regarding registration addresses. Motion by Mr. Koogle and Mr. Downey that the Board support the decision of the staff regarding a more complete address, other than post office box on new voter registrations. Motion carried.

The President announced that a Press Conference will be held on Friday, September 16, at 10 A.M. Reporter Peggy Costion to cover this.

Printing order to be given out on Monday, September 19, at 1 P.M. Advise printers to be present to bid on order.

Waters read letter from Muriel Carter, Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the Maryland Association of Election Officials, requesting suggestions for new legislation. There were no suggestions at this time.

The President presented a letter from the State Board of Elections concerning seminars to be held on Campaign reports and Fair Election Practices. Motion by Mr. Koogle and Mr. Downey that Waters, Phillips, Rose and Calhoun attend the seminar. Motion carried.

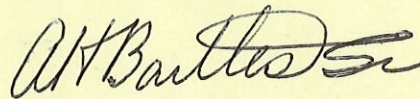
The President announced that we will go to Baltimore on October 24 to pick up the printouts and the voter authority cards.

Final plans for the mandatory pre-election year meeting in Ocean City were discussed.

Don Diehl submitted the name of James Richard Grove, Jr. for Republican substitute machine custodian. It was suggested that Mr. Grove submit a letter requesting the position.

Mr. Downey and Mr. Koogle moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 P.M. The Chair announced that the next regular meeting is scheduled for 2:30 P.M. on October 11, 1977.

Respectfully submitted,



A. H. Bartles, Sr., President