

PROCEEDINGS
SUPERVISORS OF ELECTIONS
FOR
WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Board of Election Supervisors held their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 11, 1980 at 2 P.M. at the Board Office. Chairman Bast called the meeting to order.

The following were recorded present:

Douglas G. Bast
Charles L. Downey
Fred R. Sword
Gerald L. Lapole
William F. Dunham, Jr.
Dorothy M. Waters
Daris A. Phillips

Mr. Bast announced that due to the continued absence of Mr. Banzhoff, Mr. Fred Sword will continue to serve until Mr. Banzhoff returns.

Motion by Mr. Downey and seconded by Mr. Sword that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting held on Feb. 13, 1980 and that the minutes be approved as submitted. Motion carried.

Under communications, Chairman Bast read a memo received from Barry Teach concerning our budget hearing scheduled for April 15, 1980. We have confirmed this appointment.

Dottie distributed copies of the schedule of dates she has compiled for the Primary Election. She advised the Board that April 1st has been set to give the printing order out for bids and April 8 is the date that the bids must be in to the County Commissioners.

Under old business, Dottie gave a final report on the registration in the High Schools. She advised the Board that 1,015 students had registered. Of this total, 512 were Democrats, 414 were Republicans and 89 registered as Declines.

Mr. Bast reported that he had gotten a bid of \$64.50 each for voting machine covers from Thomas & Sons. The Board decided to get bids from other companies.

Mr. Bast advised the Board that the Employees Benefits Administrator requested our Attorney, Mr. Dunham, to verify the time spent on Election Board business, in order to qualify for retirement benefits. The attached letter, drafted by Mr. Dunham satisfies that request.

Dottie reported that we have sent a fruit basket to Virgil Banzhoff. Thank you cards received from Mr. Banzhoff and Anita Olden were read.

Chairman Bast advised the Board that the school for the Poll Workers will be held on April 21, April 24 and April 29 at the South Hagerstown High School Auditorium at 7:30 P. M.

The Board discussed the appointing of the Poll Workers for the Primary election. Various problems and questions that have come up were discussed. It was decided that just because a worker is not able to work in the Primary it does not necessarily mean he will not be allowed to work in the General election. However, each must attend the schooling that is given prior to the Primary. The Board decided that it is the Poll Worker's responsibility to attend the school and if he cannot attend one of the three nights that have been set up, then he can only be considered for a make-up school with Board approval.

Motion by Mr. Downey and seconded by Mr. Sword that we school two persons from each party to use for substitutes, so if we need them on election day they will be ready to serve in any district where they might be needed. Motion carried.

The Board also decided that each Chief Judge will be told again that he will be responsible for seeing that there is no electioneering within 100 feet of the polls.

Chairman Bast advised the Board that the polling place for District 24 had to be changed. Mr. Downey has acquired the Horst Fencing Company near Huyetts for this polling place.

Due to the higher costs of utilities to the owners of the polling places a motion by Mr. Downey was made and seconded by Mr. Sowrd that the places where we paid \$15 be raised to \$20 and the places where we paid \$20 be raised to \$25. Motion carried.

The Chairman advised the Board that District 9, Leitersburg Grange, has requested that they be paid \$40 instead to \$30 for the use of their facilities. Motion by Mr. Downey and seconded by Mr. Sword that we offer them \$35, as this is the maximum amount that we pay anyone for the use of their facilities. Motion carried.

Chairman Bast advised the Board that the County Commissioners have advertised the invitation to bid on the printing for the Primary election. All bids must be in to the County Commissioners on April 8, 1980, at 11 A.M. at which time they will be publicly opened.

Under new business the Board discussed the budget for the fiscal year 1980-81. The Board decided to put in for a new typewriter under capital outlay. The balance of the budget was approved by the Board members. The budget will be submitted to the Accounting Office on March 12, 1980.

Motion by Mr. Downey and seconded by Mr. Sword that the meeting be adjourned at 3:30 P.M. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held on April 8, 1980, at 2 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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