

PROCEEDINGS

BOARD OF ELECTION SUPERVISORS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY October 14, 1997

Present: Richard L. Coss, President
Daris Phillips, Democrat Member
Charles Mobley, Jr., Republican Member
Roger Schlossberg, Democrat Alternate
Dorothy M. Waters, Republican Alternate
Dorothy M. Kaetzel, Election Director II
Kaye E. Robucci, Election Deputy Director I

Richard called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Mark Brugh, Attorney, was absent.

MINUTES: Jim made a motion and Daris seconded that the minutes of the meeting held on September 9, 1997 be approved as submitted. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Information on the Commission to Revise the Election Code was distributed.

The revised agenda for the 1997 Biennial Meeting was distributed.

Minutes of the Discussion Group meeting held September 4, 1997 were distributed.

Emergency Weather Release Procedures from SABEL were discussed. Dorothy is instructed to call an 800 number to see if office will be closed.

Memo from Linda Lamone, Administrator SABEL, regarding the Federal Unemployment Tax was discussed. The County does not pay federal unemployment taxes for poll workers.

A costume party will be held Monday, October 20, 1997 at the Biennial Meeting.

Memo from Linda Lamone, Administrator, regarding the mandatory meeting for administrators on October 23, 1997 was discussed. The Board questioned why the meeting could not have been held on Wednesday in Ocean City.

OLD BUSINESS: The Board will survey the Smithsburg Elementary School on Thursday, October 16 at 9:00 AM. Richard will pick up Dorothy and Kaye at 8:30 AM.

The Board will survey the Hancock Senior High/Middle School and Elementary School on Thursday October 30, 1997. They will meet at the election office at 9:00 AM. Dorothy will call the schools to confirm the date.

Dorothy will call Valley Grace Brethren Church to see if we could survey the Church on October 30, 1997 as a possible polling place.

Plans for the Biennial meeting were finalized. Richard will pickup Dot and Daris. Sherrie will take Dorothy, Kaye and Sharon. They will leave at 1:00 PM. Reservations will be made at Harpoon Hannah's for Sunday evening, October 19, at 7:00 PM. Roger Schlossberg will not arrive until Monday, October 20. His reservation for Sunday evening will be canceled. Dorothy informed the Board that Doris James would be unable to work but that Audrey Coffelt and Hilda Stoner would be available. Jim made motion to keep the office open and to staff the office with Audrey Coffelt and Hilda Stoner. Roger seconded the motion and all were in favor. Dorothy will call the MVA to inform them that the voter registration applications will not be picked up until Wednesday October 22 or Thursday October 23, 1997.

Year 2000 Compliance was discussed. Dorothy received verification from the State that the ADC will change the MCVRS-U applications in order for them to be year 2000 compliant. Dorothy received a verbal verification from Janet Buchanan, BRC, that their programs are year 2000 compliant. Roger recommended sending a letter to Rod Shoop, Administrator, regarding the year 2000 compliance for our applications on the county computers.

NEW BUSINESS: The Christmas Party will tentatively be held December 15 at 6:30 PM at the Fireside Restaurant.

The petitions for the town of Smithsburg were discussed. Petitions were received last week requesting a change in the charter to allow for a recall election. Mr. Edward Kuczynski, Attorney for Town of Smithsburg, faxed information from Article 23 indicating that the signatures are to be verified by the legislative body of the municipality. The Town of Smithsburg ordered a list of registered voters to verify the signatures.

Dorothy informed the Board that 2 vacancies will be on the ballot for Circuit Court Judge. The judges are allowed to crossfile and the top two vote getters from each ballot will be on the general election ballot.

Roger made a motion to move the next board meeting from November 11 to November 18. Jim seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Motion made by Dot and seconded by Jim to adjourn the meeting at 3:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kaye Robucci

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Election Deputy Director I