

The Board of Election Supervisors met Tuesday, December 7, 1976, at 2 p.m.

The following members were present:

Raymond C. Patterson  
Albert Bartles, Sr.  
Charles Downey  
Donald Diehl  
William Dunham, Jr.  
Dottie Waters  
Daris Phillips

Mr. Patterson read a letter from Barrie Teach stating that a new calculator should be put in the Fiscal 1977 budget unless needed on an emergency basis. Because of the upcoming city elections a calculator is needed now to conduct the business of the office. It was moved by Mr. Bartles, seconded by Mr. Downey that the Board request the purchase of a calculator at this time.

Three used filing cabinets were purchased from the County Roads Department for \$5.00 each. New rods have been ordered and were mailed Friday, Dec. 3.

Mr. Patterson read the letter from the County Commissioners approving over-time pay for Election Board Registrars. All future over-time assignments are subject to prior approval by the Board of County Commissioners. Over-time pay will be paid at the rate of time and one-half for over eight hours per day or forty hours per week.

A letter from Helen L. Koss was read expressing appreciation and thanking the Board for meeting with them in September.

A notice was read from Willard Morris notifying the Board of the death of Ann Schissler, member of the State Election Board. Also, the Board was notified of the death of Ben Towers, Harford County Election Board.

Mr. Patterson read a response from Mr. Ralph McCauley to our letter of November 18, registering Poll Workers' complaints about the lack of heat in the McCauley Building. Mr. McCauley will do his best to correct the situation for future elections.

Mr. Downey has ordered six more machine covers from Paul's Leather Shop.

The Board has scheduled their Christmas dinner for December 13, at the Airport Inn at 6:30 p.m.

The annual Association meeting will be held at the Hunt Valley Inn on January 9, 10, 11. The three Board members, Dottie and Daris will attend. All will meet at the Tortuga Restaurant, January 9, at 3 p.m. and Ray will drive.

Mr. Downey moved to accept Donald Frush's resignation as machine custodian. Mr. Bartles seconded. Motion carried.

The estimated cost of the General Election, November 2, 1976, was presented. A total of 36,650 voters cast their votes, making the cost of the election \$.84 per voter. The estimated cost of the General Election was \$30,634.56.

Mr. Dunham proposed a change in the cancellation notice to delinquent voters. The wording will read as follows: "By reason of this cancellation you must re-register in order to be eligible to vote in future Federal, State, County, and City of Hagerstown Election." Mr. Downey moved to add the new wording to the notice. It was seconded by Mr. Bartles and unanimously approved by the Board.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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