# Minutes

Talbot County Board of Elections 215 Bay Street Easton, MD 21601 *November 16, 2022* 

#### Attendance

# **Board Members Present**

Joseph Secrist, President	(R)
Walter Black	(D)
Richard Bulman	(R)
Wadella Thomas	(R)
Susan MacKinnon *	(D)

#### Staff

Crystal McGinn, Talbot County Election Director \*

#### **Board Attorney**

Lyndsey Ryan

Public None \*

\*Ms. MacKinnon and Ms. McGinn joined the meeting just prior to the Board of Canvassers portion of the meeting. Staff members and members of the public joined the Election Board meeting at various points during the Election Board of meeting.

The monthly meeting of the Talbot County Board of Elections was held November 16, 2022 in the Board of Elections warehouse located at 28712 Glebe Road, Easton, Maryland. Mr. Secrist called the meeting to order at 9:36 AM. Mr. Secrist noted that a quorum was present.

#### Approval of Minutes

Mr. Secrist asked if the Board had any corrections or additions to the minutes of the meetings of October 19, 2022, November 2, 2022 and November 9, 2022, copies of which had been forwarded to the Board Members in advance of the meeting. Ms. Thomas move to approve the three sets of minutes. Mr. Black seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Addition/Changes to the Agenda

Mr. Secrist asked for any additions or changes to the agenda as presented. Mr. Bulman moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Thomas seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

#### **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

#### **Election Director's Report**

Ms. McGinn made her report later in the meeting.

#### **Board Attorney's Report**

The Republican Central Committee of Talbot County ask Ms. Ryan for information on how to obtain certain data. She suggested alternate ways to obtain the information the committee was seeking. Mr. Ryan updated the Board regarding litigation in the matter of Gibson v. Frederick County et al.

### **Old Business**

The Board briefly discussed the four Old Business agenda items as a group. No action was taken on any of the items on the agenda.

#### **New Business**

The review of Polling Place Evaluations was deferred until Ms. McGinn joined the meeting.

## **Board of Canvassers Meeting**

At this point in the meeting, the Board of Canvassers convened to conduct the Provisional Ballot Canvass. Minutes for this portion of the meeting will be published separately.

## Election Director's Report (continued)

Ms. McGinn updated the Board on the remaining steps to be taken to complete the canvass. She has had discussions with the county regarding the relocation of the Election Board office and warehouse. It appears that further information will not be available until following the election of the next County Council. She asked that the polling place evaluation forms be returned to her when Board Members meet as the Board of Canvassers on Friday, November 18. She will have the staff research questions regarding the billing from the State Board of Elections.

# Confirmation of the next meeting

Mr. Secrist noted that the next regular monthly meeting will be Wednesday, December 21, 2022. A Special Meeting is anticipated before this date regarding a personnel matter. Mr. Secrist will notify the Board Members of the details and will arrange for proper public notice of the meeting.

#### Adjournment

Mr. Black moved adjournment of the meeting. Ms. Thomas seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 PM.

Attested,

Jusqh A Lean Jr. Joseph H. Secrist, Jr., President

Respectfully submitted,

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Richard B. Bulman, Secretary