

STAFFORD COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

Minutes

Monday, February 3rd, 2020

The Stafford County Electoral Board met at the General Registrar's Office located at 1300 Courthouse Rd, Stafford, VA 22554. Chairman, Marie Gozzi, called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM. Roll call: Marie Gozzi, Chairman, Gloria Chittum, Secretary, and Anna Hash, General Registrar.

OLD BUSINESS

The minutes for the June 27th, 2019 Electoral Board meeting were read. Marie made a motion to accept them. Gloria seconded, and all voted to approve.

Minutes for November 4th, 5th, 6th, and 8th 2019 were read. Marie made a motion to accept. Gloria seconded, and all voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Printed forms for election officials' evaluation will be given to the chiefs and returned to the Electoral Board. There will be an envelope for them to be mailed back, or they can hand deliver to the office, email or fax them back. Marie made a motion to do a trial run in March, and Gloria seconded. All voted in favor.

Anna reported Ferry Farm Precinct voters have received their cards informing them the precinct has moved. The Registrar's office has received calls concerning this. There was much discussion concerning how to let voters know on Election Day where to go to vote. Electronic signs will be used. Anna will reach out to Jim at the Free Lance-Star for maybe a "For Your Information" article to be printed and also talk to other departments in the county to get their input as to how they can help. Marie said we also need more signs at Anne E. Moncure. This will also be looked into.

Next we selected officers for the next year. Marie made a motion we keep our same positions. Gloria seconded. Marie will remain as Chairman, Jim as Vice-Chairman, Gloria as Secretary.

Appointments of new Officers of Election was made. There were several. Gloria made a motion we accept the new list of officers. Marie seconded, and all voted in favor.

Anna went over the calendar. The last date for the party chairs to submit names for a June Primary is February 25th, 2020. The last day to apply for an absentee ballot by mail for the March Primary is February 25th, 2020. If there is a June primary, we will do L&A on Monday April 20th, 2020 and the primary will be June 9th.

General Assembly Report: Anna reported on some of the bills being voted on in different committees.

Anna reported that she and Gloria had been looking at different buildings for a new Registrar's Office. She wants to set up a date we can all go to look at the one we like. We have to be in a new office by August because of the November election.

Anna also stated we will need six to eight workers to work the CAP for the six weeks prior to the November General Election. The chief and assistant chief must be approved by the parties.

Anna brought up that Jim had concerns regarding two young peoples' absentee ballot applications. Anna explained to Marie and Gloria what happened, but Jim was not here so this will be brought up at our next meeting.

Anna also brought to our attention that in training on Saturday one of the precinct chief's had stated he called the Registrar's Office on Election Day in November 2019 to clarify if people working for a political party outside can use the bathroom in the precinct. This would have them coming right by where voters were voting and the poll books. He was told they could not. A little later they came back with a letter signed by an Electoral Board member stating they could use the restroom. Not knowing what was right, they did what the letter said, and this caused interruptions for the balance of the day. This is something we need to discuss in closed session on another day. Marie made a motion to call a meeting on February 19th, 2020 to discuss this when all are present. Gloria seconded.

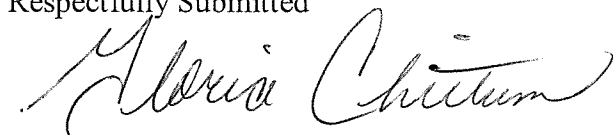
Anna gave us the dates for mandatory training. They are February 18th and 20th from 7PM to 9PM and February 22nd from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM at the Public Safety Building.

Incident Reports from the November 2019 General Election were reviewed.

Our next meeting will be on February 19th, 2020 at 10AM.

There being no further business Marie made motion to adjourn and Gloria seconded.

Respectfully Submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gloria Chittum". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Gloria Chittum, Secretary