March 26, 2019

St. Joseph County
Election Board Meeting
1:30 PM

1. Call to order

   It being the appointed date and time, Chairman M. Catherine Fanello calls the St. Joseph County Election Board Meeting to order. Present are Murray Winn, Republican Member and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Circuit Court, Rita L. Glenn, also present are:

   Linda Silcott-SJC Republican Party
   Debbie Ladyga-Block-Democratic County Vice-Chair
   Rick Moffett-Head Machine Tech
   Dave Smith-Machine Tech
   Cindy Streich-Absentee Supervisor
   Nancy Lindzy-Absentee
   Kim Riskovitch-Rep. Member Voter Reg
   Lana Cleary-Deputy Clerk
   Keith McGinnis-RBM
   Nick Abernathy-RBM
   Arielle Brandy-Dem. Member Voter Reg
   Terri Rethlake-Chief Deputy Clerk

2. Approval of the minutes from the last meeting.

   Catherine moves to approve the minutes of the last meeting. So, moved by Murray Winn, seconded by Rita L. Glenn. So, ordered. Minutes stand approved.

Old Business

3. Catherine asked Terri to insert a line ahead of the 26% line that reads “candidates are not entitled to watchers and may only have watchers in the primary if the 26%” to the memo for party and candidate watchers.
4. Keith suggested not changing the training for the M100. Catherine said she would like to rearrange the training, so the poll worker training is first then the epoll books and the M100 last. Kim asked if voters registration was assisting in handing out poll worker material.

5. There was a discussion held about clarification and revision to the RBM contract. Catherine suggested to revise the contract and try get the contract on the April 16th Commissioner’s meeting.

New Business

6. Kim asked if the voter is to select the party for their ballot. Catherine said the clerk should turn the epoll pad around and have the voter make their selection. The voter needs to be informed that once their party is selected they can’t change it.

7. Catherine asked Dave about the updates to the epoll pads. He said he hasn’t started the updates yet. Rita stated the Absentee office will need eleven epoll pads. Dave said he can bring a couple of epoll pads for training but won’t have all the updates done until the end of the week of April 5th.

8. Rita informed the Election Board that she met with Commissioner Kostielney about using the entire lobby for the Presidential Election. He said he thought it was a great idea, but to talk to Brian Davidson head of maintenance to see if he sees any problems.

9. Rita said she talked to Elkhart County Clerk about how he deals with travel board for absentee. He suggested getting in touch with the nursing homes and finding out who needs an application mailed to them and who will need the assistance of the travel board. He also said to put a notice on their bulletin boards stating the information to get an application.

10. Kim said Primrose doesn’t want to be used as polling location any longer. Blair hills is available for the primary but will not be available for the general. Kim asked for suggestions for places in the area that might allow us to use their facility. It was decided to place the two precincts at Emmons School. The Ice Box also will not be able to be a polling location.

Public Comment

The next meeting is April 12, 2019 at 9:00 AM

The Chairman makes a motion to adjourn at 2:41 PM
Respectfully submitted,

Rita L. Glenn, Secretary
St. Joseph County Election Board

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