Tippecanoe County Election Board Meeting & Public Test of Election Equipment

Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 29th at 10:00 AM Tippecanoe County Office Building-1st Floor

Present: County Board of Elections and Registration: Randall L. Vonderheide, E. Kent Moore, Julie Roush; Deputy Election Commissioners: Ryan Munden & Joe Bumbleburg; Voter Registration Board Staff, Germany Harris, Mike Smith, and Juan Ramirez; Commissioner Dave Byers; and members of the public/press.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairman Vonderheide opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the February 16th, 2022 meeting were presented. A motion to approve was made by Moore and seconded by Vonderheide. The minutes were approved unanimously and without correction.

Legal Notices: Public Notice: Notice of meeting and public test was given in accordance with IC 5-14-1.5-5 and was published in the J&C & Lafayette Leader on 3/24/2022. Legal Notice of Primary Election and Notice of Vote Center locations will be published on April 21st, 10 days before election according to IC 3-11-18.1-9 & IC 3-11-8-3.2

Conducted Public Test of Election Equipment-certification: A representative of MicroVote, Bernie Hirsch (CIO), explained to the public the procedure of the test. Test was conducted. All equipment functioned properly. DRE Voting Systems and Optical Scan Ballot Card Automatic Tabulating Machines were certified. IEC 9 and IEC 10 were signed and will be submitted to the Indiana Election Division.

Vote Center Amendment: Vote Center Amendment was proposed (see attached list). *A motion to approve the amendment was made by Vonderheide and seconded by Moore.* The Vote Center Amendment was approved unanimously.

Resolution under IC 3-11.5-4-11 to provide for the processing and counting of absentee ballots at 6 AM on election day: Absentee mail-in ballots will be processed at the County Building by the Board. Moore proposed a correction by removing line #3 which stated, "This resolution is effective for the Primary Election at hand and cannot be rescinded except by a unanimous vote of the Board." A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Moore and seconded by Vonderheide. The resolution was approved unanimously, with correction.

Resolution under IC 3-6-6-39 to Implement Qualified Students as Election Officers: The board discussed that a unanimous vote was needed to approve students to work the polls. Moore proposed a correction by removing line #2 which stated, "This resolution shall take effect immediately and may only be rescinded by the unanimous vote of the entire membership for the Tippecanoe County Board of Elections and Registration." A motion to adopt the resolution was made by Vonderheide and seconded by Moore. The resolution was approved unanimously and with correction.

2022 Property Owner's Assessment notices: Roush reported that assessment notices will be sent out, at no extra cost, to property owners in collaboration with the Assessor's Office. Notices will be sent out by May 1st and will read, "Voter Registration ends Monday, April 4th. Early in-person voting begins Tuesday, April 5th. PRIMARY ELECTION DAY is Tuesday, May 3rd. To update voter registrations, find your polling location, or to see who is on your ballot, go to https://indianavoters.in.gov. The Tippecanoe County Board of Elections & Registration can be reached at electionboard@tippecanoe.in.gov or by calling 765-423-9303."

Election Prep Update: 1) VSTOP provided us with a list of random voting systems to test today. 2) With the help from County Party Chairs, we have enough Poll worker volunteers. 3) Proposed voting sites have all agreed to the proposed hours and dates. 4) Ballot preparation was completed. The first batch of Ballots were mailed according to statute, on March 19th. 85 ballots have been processed to date.

Adjournment: With no further business before the board, *Vonderheide made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Moore. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:38 AM.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by Julie Roush, Secretary.

County Election Board:

Randall L. Vonderheide Chairman of the board E. Kent Moore Board Member

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Tippecanoe County Clerk