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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Minutes of June 19, 2019

The meeting of the Cambridge Election Commission was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on June 19, at 51 Inman Street. Present were the Chair, Commissioner Victoria Harris, Commissioner Charles Marquardt, Commissioner Larry Ward, Commissioner Ethridge King, Assistant Director Lesley Waxman, and members of the public.

I: MINUTES

The minutes of June 5, 2019 were reviewed and accepted with corrections

Motion: To approve the Minutes of June 5, 2019 with corrections

Moved: Commissioner Harris

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Passed: 4-0

II: REPORTS

Executive Director's Report—No Report Given

Assistant Director's Report – R1

The Assistant Director reported Ward 3, Precinct 3, that was temporarily relocated to the Lafayette Fire Station while the Salvation Army underwent renovation, will move back to the Salvation Army for the November 2019, election.

The Assistant Director also reported Ward 10, Precinct 1, that was temporarily relocated to the Peabody School while the Russell Apartments underwent renovation, will move back to the Russell Apartments for the November 2019, election.

Commissioner Marquardt asked about the massive sewer project on Gore Street and the potential disruption it may have on accessibility to the Miller's River (Ward 1, Precinct 3) on election day.

The Assistant Director will follow up with the DPW and report back to the board .

Motion: Approve the 2019 City of Cambridge Polling Precincts locations—R2

Moved: Commissioner Harris

Seconded: Commissioner King

Passed: 4-0

Motion: Accept changes the Municipal Candidate Packet—R3

- Update FAQs to include the new policy of limiting the number of ovals to 15
- Make the Absentee Ballot Procedures language gender neutral (change his/her to their)

Moved: Commissioner Harris
Seconded: Commissioner Ward
Passed: 4—0

The Assistant Director reported that as of Wednesday, June 19, there were 39 SFI delinquent filers—R4

Also reported by the Assistant Director, a total of 14,826 census confirmation cards were mailed out

Former Election Commissioner, Poly Cobb, submitted a picture of the Fresh Pond Golf Course for the cover of the 2019 Street Listing Book

III COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Ward reported that on June 15, he attended the Hoops and Health event to assist with the voter registration effort

Commissioner King reported that on June 15, he attended the Fresh Pond Day event to assist with the voter registration effort

Commissioner Harris reported that the Government Operations, Rules and Claims Committee, submitted their report regarding the new policy to limit the number of ovals on Municipal Ballots to 15 at the June 17th City Council meeting. Please refer to the committee's report (described below) for further detail.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS 1. A communication was received from former City Clerk, Donna P. Lopez, transmitting a report from Vice Mayor Jan Devereux, Chair of the Government Operations, Rules & Claims Committee, for a public hearing held on May 28, 2019 to receive an update on the Election Commission's discussion of potential changes to the ballots used for Municipal Elections that would limit voters to marking only up to 15 candidates. CRT 2019 #46

IV: PUBLIC COMMENT

In attendance: Jeffrey McNary and Gary Mello

V: ACTION AGENDA

Old Business None

New Business None

Next meeting will be held on July 10, 2019 at 5:30

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6:27 PM

Moved: Commissioner Harris
Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt
Passed: 4—0

A True Record

Attested by: _____



Ethridge King, Secretary