

**OPENING OF THE POST ELECTION AUDIT  
OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION**

**December 3, 2014 at 11:27 a.m.**

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Chairman Tim Rudd called the meeting to order at 11:27 a.m. Board Members present were Tim Rudd, Dave Lane, Rick Combs, and Paul Campbell. Also present were Judy Miller – Director and Becky Rudd – Clerk taking record. Deputy Director Mike Keeley was absent.

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** None.

**2014-136** – Dave Lane made the motion to Conduct the Post Election Audit by precinct and randomly select the precincts accordingly. Rick Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members voted “yes”.

Director Miller explained that per the Directive we are required to count the Governor/Lt. Governor, the Treasurer of State (selected by the SOS) and a Countywide race to be randomly selected by the Board. The only race that qualifies is the Commissioners race (number of candidates exceeds the number to be elected).

**2014-137** – Rick Combs made the motion to perform the Audit on the Governor, Treasurer of State and the Clermont County Commissioner races. Paul Campbell seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members voted “yes”.

Judy explained that 5% of the total vote cast 51,522 was 2,576 ( $5\% \times 51,522 = 2,576$ ). The Board needs to select enough precincts to total that amount.

At 11:30 a.m. the Board went off the Record to randomly select precincts.

At 11:38 a.m. the Board went back on the Record.

The Board randomly selected the following precincts:

MI-U = 300	UN-B = 354	MI-I = 445	MI-K1K = 344
MI-M1M = 348	UN-M1M = 140	UN-A = 421	UN-B1B = 362

The total number of ballots to be counted is 2,714.

**2014-138** – Rick Combs made the motion for the staff to Commence with the Processing of the Audit. Paul Campbell seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members voted “yes”.

At 11:38 a.m. the Board went off the Record

At 11:41 a.m. the Board went back on the Record.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

The Board was presented with several bills.

**2014-139** – Rick Combs made the motion to accept and pay the bills as presented for \$4,789.16. Dave Lane seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members voted “yes”.

Judy reported to the Board regarding the purchase of the Electronic Pollbooks, DS200 Precinct Ballot Scanners (upgrade from the M100) and the 850 High Speed Ballot Scanner (upgrade from the 650). Judy advised that she is still collecting information to get an opinion from the Prosecutor's Office to determine whether ES&S is considered a sole source provider of this equipment. Some counties say it is, some say it is not and some don't know. Judy spoke with Craig Siebert (head of sales at ES&S). If we pay \$750,000 the first year and then \$350,000 the next year and the balance the third year we can work it out interest free. This deal includes everything. The total price would be \$1,398,519; maintenance is included in the first year. Maintenance fees the following years will come out of a different fund. We are still trying to find out if we have to bid the pollbooks.

We are going to need (182) - DS200's and (1) 850 ballot scanner. We will trade in the (215) - M100 scanners with boxes and (2) of the (3) - 650 ballot scanners.

There has already been an upgrade in the poll books and a slight upgrade in the DS200. These upgrades will be approved by the time we would make any purchases next year. Judy will update Steve Rabolt of this latest proposal. The DS200 can take a regular ballot and a ballot from the Express Vote machine. The Express Vote is a touch screen machine and will replace the Automark.

Rick asked Judy to send the Board a copy of the letter she sends to Ernie Ramos.

At 11:56 a.m. the Chairman stated that the Board will stand in Recess until Thursday December 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. to Certify the Results of the Post Election Audit and conduct the Regular Monthly Board Meeting.

**COMPLETION OF THE POST ELECTION AUDIT  
OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION  
AND REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
December 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**

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Chairman Tim Rudd called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Rick Combs led the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Members present were Tim Rudd, Dave Lane and Rick Combs. Board Member Paul Campbell was absent. Also present were Judy Miller – Director, Mike Keeley – Deputy Director, and Becky Rudd – Clerk taking record.

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** None.

**COMPLETION OF THE POST ELECTION AUDIT:**

Director Miller explained that the Post Election Audit was completed. We completed the worksheet required by the Secretary of State and everything matched on the eight precincts that were selected for the Audit. There were no discrepancies. The poll workers and staff did a great job.  
**2014-140** – Rick Combs made the motion to approve the results of the Post Election Audit per Directive 2014-18 and send all required forms to the Secretary of State. Dave Lane seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members presented voted “yes”.

The Board entered into the Regular Monthly Meeting

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**2014-141** – Dave Lane made the motion to approve the minutes from the 1) November 4, 2014 General Election Day Meeting, 2) November 17, 2014 Opening of Canvass and November 25, 2014 Certification and Regular Monthly Board Meeting and 3) Automatic Recount of the Franklin Township Cemetery Levy Meeting. Rick Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members present voted “yes”.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

**2014-142** – Dave Lane made the motion to accept and pay the December 18, 2014 bills. Rick Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Members present voted “yes”.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Director Miller stated that she and Mike met with Ernie Ramos and Allen Edwards (Prosecutor’s Office) on December 16 to discuss the purchase of new Election Equipment. They did not feel that to upgrade the M100 to the DS200 and upgrade the 650 scanner to 850 scanner was a problem. We need a contract from ES&S to show that they are the sole source and after we get a contract from ES&S the Prosecutor’s Office will determine that they are the sole source provider.

Regarding the Electronic Poll Books, they felt that it is not a sole source provider and we should request proposals and if demonstrations could be performed. They also suggested that Judy and Mike contact Karen Quitter (ISD) because she has a template and could work with Judy and Mike to put together the requested proposal (RFP). Tim suggested following up with Steve Rabolt, County Administrator, to move forward. We also want to ask ES&S for a contract for the sole source equipment. ES&S had stated that if we have to go out to bid on the Electronic Poll Books the financial proposal that they submitted might be different.

Judy stated that all of the bills have been paid that were submitted to the office for the year.

Pierce Township is considering placing an Issue on the Ballot in May since their Fire and EMS Levy failed in November. Amelia Village has inquired about putting the Charter Issue on the ballot in May.

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

Deputy Director Keeley requested the Board to consider closing the office on Friday December 26, the day after Christmas. Last year one person came in (looking for directions) and one phone call (person looking for another office). Judy added that the County was closing the buildings at noon on December 24 and wanted to know what departments would be open. Mike added that other County departments were closing on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**2014-143** – Dave Lane made the motion to close the Board of Elections Office on December 26, 2014, the day after Christmas. Rick Combs seconded the motion. Upon discussion Rick inquired that we will be closing at noon on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Upon roll call, Mr. Lane- “yes”, Mr. Combs- “yes”, Mr. Rudd- “no”.

2014-144 – Rick Combs made the motion to close the Board of Elections Office on December 24, 2014 at noon. Dave Lane seconded the motion. Upon discussion Mike read the email from Steve Rabolt - “for your information and planning purposes for the upcoming holidays I wanted to inform you the Board of County Commissioners have decided to shut their operations at 12:30 pm on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>. All BCC offices will be closed at that time. No operational changes are planned for the week of New Year’s. In the interest of making sure the county facilities are properly secured and or monitored, please inform Wade Grabowski of any changes to your normal operating schedule”. Upon roll call, all Members present voted “yes”.

Judy added that we have had a successful year and we are ready for next year. The reservations have been made for conference but there were only four rooms available at the Hyatt, we need five more. We can get rooms at the Hampton Inn across the street.

**RESOLUTIONS:** None.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.


**NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME:**

January 14-16, 2015 – OAEO Conference in Columbus,  
January 22, 2015 at 10:00 a.m., Regular Monthly Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**


2014-145 – At 2:24 p.m. Rick Combs made the motion to adjourn. Dave Lane seconded the motion. Upon direction from the Chairman, all Members answered “aye”.

  
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Timothy R. Badd – Board Chairman

  
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Dave A. Lane – Board Member

  
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Rick W. Combs – Board Member

  
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Paul L. Campbell – Board Member

  
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Attest – Judith A. Miller - Director



Rudd, Rebecca

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**From:** Rudd, Rebecca  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 25, 2014 2:27 PM  
**To:** rmaloney@communitypress.com; Clermont Sun (clermontsunlegals@fuse.net)  
**Subject:** bd mtg dates  
**Attachments:** 2014-Dec 3 - Dec 18 recount-audit-reg mtg.docx

Good Afternoon,

Please be advised and post as a PSA (no cost) the attached notice regarding upcoming Clermont County Board of Election Board Meeting dates. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Becky Rudd  
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Notice of Meetings  
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The Clermont County Board of Elections has scheduled Board Meetings for the following dates:

**December 3, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., Automatic Recount for the Franklin Township Cemetery Levy** and immediately following the Certification of Automatic Recount the Board will Open the Post Election Audit and any other regular business.  
**December 18, 2014 at 2:00 p.m., Certification of the Post Election Audit and Regular Monthly Board Meeting.**

The meetings are held at the Board Office, 76 S. Riverside Dr., Batavia, OH 45103.

Judy Miller-Director