

I. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Ray Lembke called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Mr. Conrad led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Ray Lembke – Chair – Yes
Rick Combs – Yes
Gregg Conrad – Yes
Larry Heller – Yes
Also present were Director Julia Carney, Deputy Director Chris Dennison and Becky Rudd – Clerk taking record.

III. Approval of Agenda as Presented

2018-168 – Mr. Combs made the motion to approve the Agenda with the addition of the Directors Report, Meeting Dates and an Election Review. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:
Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

IV. Other Attendees or Observers – none

V. Approval of Bills

Mr. Heller inquired about the Duo Voting Booths (5) and Mr. Combs inquired about the advertising bills. Director Carney explained we needed new voting booths and these are double booths, and the advertising will be charged back to the subdivisions.
2018-169 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to approve and pay the bills. Mr. Heller seconded the motion. Upon roll call:
Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

VI. Absentee Ballots

Director Carney advised the Board that 25,223 absentee ballots were issued and 23,885 have been returned, four years ago, we had about 16,000 returned. The Board reviewed the absentee ballots.

Requested	Voted
17,843 – mail	16,597 – mail
7,044 – office & hand carried	7,041 – office
143 – military & civilians	109 – military & civilians
193 – nursing home	138 – nursing home
25,223 – Total Requested	23,885 – Total Voted

A. Invalid Absentee Ballots

The Board reviewed absentee ballots with irregularities.
35 – refused by nursing home voters
16 – no secrecy envelop
18 – no valid ID – voters were contacted
14 – returned as undeliverable
3 – signature problems/no signature
28 – no stubs
5 – no ballots included in envelope
119 – Total to be Rejected

2018-170 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to send an Update Signature Form to a voter to verify/update their signature with the Board of Elections. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – No
Mr. Lembke – Yes

We had a voter request an absentee ballot on September 10, 2018 and then registered in Montgomery County on October 12, 2018. Montgomery County was called during the meeting. Deputy Director

Dennison reported that this person did not vote in Montgomery County on Election Day therefore the ballot voted in Clermont County is valid.

Beth Hamad will be here tomorrow to check bar codes on envelopes that we cannot determine the dates. Director Carney would like the Board to approve those ballots with valid postmarks.

2018-171 – Mr. Combs made the motion to accept the 14 absentee ballots that were postmarked on or before November 5, 2018 per the Secretary of State bar code scanning and add them to the count. Mr. Heller seconded the motion. Upon discussion, Mr. Conrad inquired about envelopes that do not have a bar code. The Director explained they can only be scanned if it has a pink bar code and those without codes or dates cannot be counted. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

Director Carney reviewed postmarks with the Board.

2018-172 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to reject the 119 absentee ballots for various reasons, as discussed previously. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

B. Valid Absentee Ballots

2018-173 – Mr. Heller made the motion to accept the 4 absentee ballots that the Board determined were valid. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

2018-174 – Mr. Combs made the motion to reject the 63 absentee ballots that were clearly invalid because of postmarks of Election Day (11-6-2018) or later. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon discussion, Mr. Conrad asked why aren't all of the envelopes bar code scanned. Director Carney explained the bar code reader is used when we cannot decipher what the date is.

Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

2018-175 – Mr. Combs made the motion to check the 20 absentee ballots with the Secretary of State bar code scanner and authorize the Director for those that are valid with a postmark of November 5, 2018 or before and add them to the count. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes
Mr. Conrad – Yes
Mr. Heller – Yes
Mr. Lembke – Yes

At 10:27 a.m., the Board recessed.

At 10:36 a.m., the Board returned from recess.

VII. Provisional Ballots

Director Carney reviewed the provisional ballots with the Board.

A. Invalid Provisional Ballots

- 1 – no ballot in envelope
- 3 – no information on envelope
- 9 – no ID on envelope
- 1 – no signature on envelope
- 4 – incomplete or no current address listed
- 9 – new address in another county

27 – voted wrong precinct/wrong location

51 – not registered on Ohio

105 – Total Invalid Provisional Ballots

At 10:52 a.m., the Board recessed.

At 11:02 a.m., the Board returned from recess.

B. Valid Provisional Ballots

56 – voted right location/wrong precinct – duplicate and add to count

1,324 – valid provisional ballots – no visible problems

3 – added from invalid that were determined to be valid

1,383 – Total Valid Provisional Ballots

2018-176 – Mr. Conrad made the motion to accept the provisional ballot with no last name. Mr. Heller seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Heller – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

2018-177 – Mr. Combs made the motion to reject the 104 provisional ballots that were determined to be invalid and accept the 1,383 provisional ballots that are valid. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon discussion, it was determined that the correct number of rejected provisional ballots is 105.

Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Heller – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

VIII. Director's Report

Director Carney advised the Board of a possible Referendum Petition filing, regarding the Rumpke Road property in Union Township. The petitioners have 30 thirty days, from the action of the township trustees, to file the petitions to Union Township. We would receive the petitions within two weeks from the township for processing.

We have a voter that voted absentee here in Clermont County and appears to have voted in Hamilton County. The name is the same but they are registered at an address in Hamilton County and an address in Clermont County, and voted absentee in both counties.

2018-178 – Mr. Combs made the motion to refer this matter to the Prosecutor's Office for review. Mr. Heller seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Heller – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

IX. Other Business of the Board

A. 2018-179 – Mr. Combs made the motion to approve the Director to attend a Labor and Employment Law CLE at the Cintas Center, Xavier University on Friday November 30, the seminar is free, and lunch is provided. Mr. Heller seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes

Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Heller – Yes

Mr. Lembke – Yes

B. Printing of Ballots

We had several issues with the ballot printing. Specifically several precincts had ballots within the middle of the pad that did not have ovals printed on the ballot. There were also problems with the perforations. Director Carney stated she will be contacting the printer.

Mr. Combs asked if the Goshen precinct issue has been resolved. Ms. Carney explained that the video was reviewed, but we were unable to identify any single person. There is the option of separating the polling location/precincts but the superintendent does not want to use the Jr. High School because of parking, there are other locations to evaluate. We received video from the high school and the rover could not identify the person and the rover could probably have handled it better. Mr. Conrad wants our staff to know that we support them.

Mr. Lembke would like a complete election review of what went right and what can be improved. We will plan to have this report for the January Board Meeting.

X. Upcoming Board Meetings and Dates

November 26, 2018 at 3:00 p.m., Certification of General Election & Regular Monthly Board Meeting,

December 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., Commence the Post-Election Audit,

December 18, 2018 at 10:30 p.m., Certification of Audit and Regular Board Meeting.

XI. Motion to Adjourn

2018-180 – At 12:20 p.m., Mr. Heller made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Conrad seconded the motion. Upon roll call:

Mr. Combs – Yes


Mr. Conrad – Yes

Mr. Heller – Yes


Mr. Lembke – Yes



Raymond W. Lembke – Board Chairman



Rick W. Combs – Board Member



Gregg L. Conrad – Board Member



R. Lawrence Heller – Board Member

Date 12/17/2018

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 19, 2018

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT
JULIA CARNEY	MEAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR WORK SESSION	\$ 145.32
JULIA CARNEY	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 12.37
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - PROCLAMATION	\$ 249.00
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - WILLIAMSBURG SCHOOL	\$ 110.26
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - WAYNE TWP. FIRE	\$ 173.26
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - TATE TWP. MAINT.	\$ 162.76
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - NEWTONSVILLE MAINT.	\$ 141.76
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - MOSCOW VILLAGE CURRENT EXP.	\$ 110.26
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - MONROE TWP. MAINT.	\$ 173.26
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - MONROE TWP. MAINT.	\$ 178.50
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - MIAMI TWP. GEN. CONSTRUCTION	\$ 110.26
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - GOSHEN TWP. MAINT.	\$ 178.50
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - FELICITY VILLAGE	\$ 157.50
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - BATAVIA SCHOOL	\$ 162.76
CLERMONT SUN	ADVERTISING - WILLIAMSBURG VILLAGE MAINT.	\$ 162.76
DONNELLON MCCARTHY	COPIER LEASE 10-15-18 TO 11-14-18	\$ 905.58
ELECTION SOURCE	5 DUO VOTING BOOTHS	\$ 1,033.95
E. S. & S.	ELECTION SUPPORT - DAN SHEBESTA 9-14-18 & 9-25-18	\$ 3,050.00
CHRISTINE FREYHOF	MILEAGE TO NURSING HOMES	\$ 31.07
MIKE KEELEY	MILEAGE TO POLLING LOCATIONS	\$ 38.15
TERRIE LATHAM	MILEAGE TO POST OFFICE	\$ 46.33
O.A.E.O.	WINTER CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - 9 PEOPLE	\$ 1,350.00
OFFICE DEPOT	MARKERS & PAPER	\$ 57.29
OFFICE DEPOT	TONER FOR DELL B116X	\$ 62.79
OFFICE DEPOT	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 51.24
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE - JULY 2016	\$ 350.00
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE 8-28-18 TO 11-27-18	\$ 897.84
PROVANTAGE	BATTERY BACK UP/SURGE PROTECTOR (3)	\$ 176.70
PROVANTAGE	BATTERY BACK UP/SURGE PROTECTOR (1)	\$ 63.69
MARGARET RAABE	MILEAGE TO NURSING HOMES	\$ 49.60
RB PRINTING	HANGING LIST/SIGNATURE PAGES	\$ 1,184.17
READY FRESH	BOTTLED WATER 9-27-18 TO 10-26-18	\$ 63.78
RUEBEL FAMILY PART.	OFF SITE STORAGE FOR DECEMBER 2018	\$ 2,906.25
SPECTRUM	CABLE TV - 8-22-18 TO 9-21-18	\$ 74.95
SPECTRUM	CABLE TV - 10-22-18 TO 11-21-18	\$ 74.93
US BANK	MISC. OFFICE SUPPLIES ON PCARD	\$ 394.05
WEINGARTNER ENTERPRISES	CYBER-SECURITY PATHFINDER SERVICES - MANDATE FROM STATE	\$ 7,500.00
STAFF SALARIES	PAY PERIOD 10-22-18 TO 11-04-18	\$ 16,030.97
BOARD MEMBERS SALARIES	PAY PERIOD 10-22-18 TO 11-04-18	\$ 2,347.19
PART TIME	PAY PERIOD 10-22-18 TO 11-04-18	\$ 8,457.50
OVERTIME	PAY PERIOD 10-22-18 TO 11-04-18	\$ 5,939.19
STAFF SALARIES	PAY PERIOD 11-5-18 TO 11-18-18	\$ 16,051.07
BOARD MEMBERS SALARIES	PAY PERIOD 11-5-18 TO 11-18-18	\$ 2,347.19
PART TIME	PAY PERIOD 11-5-18 TO 11-18-18	\$ 1,763.75
OVERTIME	PAY PERIOD 11-5-18 TO 11-18-18	\$ 1,560.24
	Total:	\$ 77,087.99

Rudd, Rebecca

From: Rudd, Rebecca
Sent: Monday, November 19, 2018 2:06 PM
To: clermont sun
Subject: bd mtg dates
Attachments: 2018 nov 26 cert & reg mtg, dec 6 begin audit, dec 18 cert & reg mtg.docx

Good Afternoon,
Please be advised and post the attached notice as a PSR regarding the upcoming Clermont County Board of Elections Board Meeting dates.
Let me know if you have any questions.
Thank you,

Becky Rudd
Clermont County Board of Elections
76 S. Riverside Dr.
Batavia, Ohio 45103
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**Notice of Meetings
Clermont County Board of Elections
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The Clermont County Board of Elections has scheduled Board Meetings for the following dates:

November 26, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. – Certification of the November 6, 2018 General Election and Regular Monthly Board Meeting.

December 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. – Commence the Post-Election Audit.

December 18, 2018 at 10:30 a.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.

Julia Carney - Director

