

Meeting of the Board of Canvassers held May 15, 2012 at 10:00 am in the Burrillville Town Hall, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville, RI 02830.

Members Present: Evelyn M. Levesque, Blanche L. Boisvert, Marjorie M. Fenley and Anita Hurley-Diez

Member Absent: None

Evelyn Levesque called the meeting to order at 10:00 am

1. Voted to accept the minutes of the meetings held April 3, 2012 and May 1, 2012 and dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Motion by Blanche L. Boisvert. Seconded by Marjorie M. Fenley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Marjorie M. Fenley, Blanche L. Boisvert and Evelyn M. Levesque.

2. Presidential Preference Primary procedure.

Discussion: The Board of Canvassers discussed their concern with the conduct of one poll worker. It was also discussed that the board should meet prior to the September primary to allow enough time to divide supplies needed to stock the kitchens for the poll workers. Lastly, it was decided that the board will purchase the necessary breakfast items for the poll workers for the September primary instead of baking items themselves as, again, there will be a limited

number of poll workers assigned.

3. Discuss polling locations for September and November elections.

Voted to approve the resolution (as follows) requesting the use of the Burrillville Middle School as an out of district polling location for district 0306 and also combine polling locations using the Beckwith Bruckshaw Lodge, the Jesse M. Smith Memorial Library and Oakland-Mapleville Fire station as polling locations for the September 11, 2012 primary.

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Resolution

WHEREAS, The Burrillville Middle School has been identified as the most appropriate polling location in the Nasonville/Glendale section of the town of Burrillville; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the 2012 redistricting, the Burrillville Middle School is no longer physically located within precinct 0306 but is approximately 1/10th of a mile out of precinct; and

WHEREAS, the Burrillville Board of Canvassers has conducted a thorough search for an alternate location within precinct 0306; and

WHEREAS, the Nasonville Fire Department Building, previously used as a polling place, has no suitable area outside of the fire truck bays; and

WHEREAS, church administrators suggest that the local church hall,

while ADA compliant, would nevertheless present accessibility difficulties; and

WHEREAS, restaurateurs located in precinct 0306 who have sufficient space in their buildings have indicated that they are unable to commit their facilities because of business needs; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Burrillville Board of Canvassers held Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. at which time a quorum was present and acting throughout the Burrillville Board of Canvassers voted unanimously to support establishing the Burrillville Middle School, 2300 Broncos Highway, Burrillville, as the polling place for precinct 0306 and to respectfully request that the Rhode Island Board of Election approve the location.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that we, the Board of Canvassers of the Town of Burrillville do hereby respectfully request that the Rhode Island Board of Election approve the Burrillville Middle School, 2300 Broncos Highway, Burrillville as the polling location for precinct 0306.

PASSED AS A RESOLUTION of the Burrillville Board of Canvassers this 15th day of May 2012

Motion by Blanche L. Boisvert. Seconded by Marjorie M. Fenley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Marjorie M. Fenley, Blanche L. Boisvert and Evelyn M. Levesque.

4. The board reviewed the updated Elections Calendar for 2012. It was noted that the last day to register to vote in both the September primary and November election will fall on Sunday.

5. Spring High School Registration:

Voted to postpone the spring high school registration due to the late date and graduation being a few weeks away. They will revisit the voter registration drive in 2013.

Motion by Marjorie M. Fenley. Seconded by Blanche L. Boisvert. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Blanche L. Boisvert, Marjorie M. Fenley and Evelyn M. Levesque.

6. Review Invoices:

The board reviewed the invoice from Serio's and was pleased with their willingness to work with the board. The invoice for the poll books was also reviewed and it was felt that the cost was very reasonable. The invoice for PPP staffing was also reviewed.

7. Redistricting:

The board was updated on the status of redistricting. The street code table is now being reviewed by the Secretary of State's Office. New maps are being drawn up to reflect the new district lines and will also be submitted to the Secretary of State's Office.

8. Other Business:

Mail ballot applications were discussed. In mid June, mail ballot

applications will be mailed to nursing homes. The list of registered voters at Zambarano Hospital will be verified and those patients that have registered since the PPP, on April 24, 2012, will be sent an application.

Note: The next Canvassers meeting is to be determined.

Voted to adjourn at 10:35 am.

Motion by Blanche L. Boisvert. Seconded by Marjorie M. Fenley. The motion was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Marjorie M. Fenley, Blanche L. Boisvert and Evelyn M. Levesque.

Pam Pelletier, Administrative Aide