

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
COUNTY OF NEWPORT**

The Board of Canvassers of the Town of Tiverton, County and State aforesaid held a Meeting at the Tiverton Town Hall, 343 Highland Road on Tuesday April 2, 2013 1:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chair Bobby J Harris-present  
Member DeEtta Moran-present  
Alternate Jeannie Veegh-present  
Town Clerk-Nancy Mello

Vice Chair James Rego-absent  
Alternate Charles Moran- absent  
Clerk Kathleen Wood

Chairman Harris called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

**1. Approval of Minutes**

March 19, 2013

Motion made by DeEtta Moran and seconded by Bobby Harris to accept the minutes of March 19, 2013. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Coordination of Polling Places for the Financial Town Referendum**

The 2012 State of Rhode Island Redistricting has caused some necessary changes to polling locations. Which polling locations will be used depends on how contentious the Budget Proposals & Resolutions are each year. If proposals generate public interest and a large turnout is expected, more polling locations could be opened.

For the 2013 FTR a motion was made by DeEtta Moran and seconded by Bobby Harris to use the V.F.W. for Precincts 3301, 3302, & 3304, Countryview Estates for Precincts 3303 & 3305, and Sandywoods Farm for Precincts 3306 & 3307.

DeEtta amended her motion to use Amicable Church for Precincts 3306 & 3307 if it is available.

The Clerk's office will contact Amicable Church to check availability for May 21<sup>st</sup> & the possible runoff on June 4th

The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Poll Workers and Polling Locations**

The tentative poll worker list for the FTR was distributed to the Board.

Ms. Mello asked them to review the list and get back to the Clerk's office as soon as possible.

The board discussed any problems from the last election regarding opening the polls on time. The Moderators need to have their supplies delivered in a timely manner. Ms. Mello suggested that we might hire workers to deliver and set up equipment and supplies.

In the past the last minute delivery has caused anxiety for the poll workers.

**4. To Consider Such Other Business as May Lawfully Come Before the Board:**

**FTR Advertising:** Ms. Mello reviewed the advertising for the FTR. The ads regarding the last day to register to vote, the Final Canvass and the Absentee Ballot applications have been advertised in the Sakonnet Times & the Herald News, and will be re-advertised one week prior to the election.

The Board was wondering if we could get some free advertising regarding the FTR in PATCH. The Clerk’s office will contact the Patch representative.

**Election Day Poll Worker Meals:** As in the past we will use Family Ties Restaurant to supply meals to the poll workers. The Republican & Democratic Town Committees will make a donation to offset the cost of the meals and the Board of Canvassers will provide the balance.

**Straight Party Ticket A.K.A. Master Lever:**

Mr. Harris reminded the board that the matter of the “Master Lever” a.k.a. “Straight Party Ticket” will be before the state legislature today.

**Meeting with Bob Rapoza of the RI Board of Elections:**

Bobby Harris, Nancy Mello and Kathleen Wood will meet with Bob Rapoza of the Rhode Island Board of Elections on Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>, to discuss details of the upcoming FTR. Items to be discussed include the 2012 redistricting/represincing, and the effect on polling locations and possible variances from the Board of Elections to use polling locations outside of a precinct, and the handicapped accessibility issues at Amicable Church.

**Election Documents and Forms:**

Ms. Mello mentioned that the election documents are our own design updated from the 2012 FTR, using the State of Rhode Island election forms as a guide.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, Jeannie Veegh made a motion to adjourn, Seconded by DeEtta Moran  
The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Bobby Harris Chair \_\_\_\_\_

James Rego Vice- Chair \_\_\_\_\_ absent \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Jeannie Veegh \_\_\_\_\_

DeEtta Moran \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Charles Moran \_\_\_\_\_ absent \_\_\_\_\_

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ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_ Nancy L. Mello Town Clerk