

**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, September 2, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Bobby J Harris-present
Member Paul Amaral-present
Member Charles Moran-absent
Alternate Jean Veegh-absent

Vice Chair DeEtta Moran-present
Town Clerk-Nancy Mello-present
Clerk Jeanne Spencer-present

Chair Mr. Harris called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

1. Review and Approve Minutes:

- Approval of August 19, 2014
Motion by D. Moran, seconded by P. Amaral. Passed unanimously.

2. Unfinished Business

- Free Voter ID Drive – Wednesday, September 3, 2014
Discussion regarding the Secretary of State’s Office coming Sept. 3rd to hold a Voter ID Drive at the Town Hall as requested by the Board of Canvassers. Board members will stop by the Town Hall at some point to express our appreciation for the Drive.
- Discussion on distribution of Poll Books
Board had a preliminary discussion as to who would be available to distribute the Poll Books and BOC supplies on the day of the Primary beginning at 6a.m. Will continue the discussion on future meetings. Discussion on closing the polls and personnel needed was also discussed.
- Update on need for possible special referendum
Ms. Mello informed the request for the special referendum by Mr. Lebeau is in the process of collecting signatures. The BOC will review signatures as submitted and keep Mr. Lebeau informed to the count of qualified signatures. There being no time limit stated in the Charter as to how long a period allowed to collect the signatures, we will just continue to monitor.

3. New Business

- Ballot Lottery Drawing for Candidates – Ms. Mello counted out the number of slips for Town Council, folded and put them in a box for Ms. Spencer to pick. This procedure was followed for the Budget Committee and again for the School Committee. The results for the order on the ballot are as follow:
 - i. Town Council – 1) Joan Chabot, 2) Michael Burk, 3) Randy Lebeau, 4) Joseph Sousa, 5) Craig Lebeau, 6) James O’Dell, 7) Peter Mello, 8) Denise deMedeiros, 9) Jay Lambert, 10) James Arruda, 11) David Perry, 12) Brett Pelletier
 - ii. Budget Committee – 1) Cecil Leonard, 2) Donna Cook, 3) Robert W. Sylvia, 4) Robert Coulter, 5) Deborah Janik, 6) John Martin, 7) Nancy Driggs, 8) John E. Souza
 - iii. School Committee – 1) Jan Bergandy, 2) Deborah Palasch

Ms. Mello will prepare an email to the Candidates to inform them of the results.

- **Certify mail ballot applications and FPCA’s (Federal Post Card Application)**

The Board certified two Mail Ballot Applications, one of which was an Emergency mail ballot applications for the State-wide Primary Election. One regular mail ballot for the General

Election was certified. There were no FPCA's to certify.

- Certification of Poll Books - the board certified the poll books to be distributed at each precinct.
- A discussion regarding holding a Student Voter Registration Drive after the Primary Election is finalized. Ms. Spencer to contact the School Department to set up a time
- There was a discussion regarding recruiting additional Poll Workers for the November Election. State will be requiring us to have additional workers and greeters. Ms. Moran suggested a few registered voters that might be interested in working the November Polls. Training will be mandatory for the poll workers for both the Primary Election and General Election.
- Board discussed the lighting problem in the V.F.W. and the possibility of purchasing standup lighting. Ms. Mello suggested the B.O.C. consider purchasing lighting at the end of the year with any residual funding. In the meantime, Ms. Mello will check with the Highway Department and the Fire Department to inquire about borrowing overhead lighting.

4. Board Member Items

- Ms. Mello stated she notified the Democratic Town Committee Party Chair requesting a list of five possible candidates to fill the alternate member of the B.O.C.
- Ms. Wood to contact Family Ties Restaurant regarding supplying the meals for the Poll Workers.

There being no further business a motion was made by Ms. Moran and seconded by Mr. Amaral to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Bobby J. Harris, Chair_____ DeEtta M. Moran, Vice Chair_____

Paul Amaral, member_____ Jean M. Veegh, alternate_____

A True Copy: Attest_____ Nancy L. Mello, Town Clerk