

A meeting of the Board of Election Commissioners of St. Louis County was held at its office located at 12 Sunnen Drive, Maplewood, Missouri, Tuesday, August 23, 2016.

Present at the meeting were:

Richard H. Kellett	Chairman
John Maupin	Secretary
John King	Commissioner (Not Present)
Trudi McCollum Foushee	Commissioner (Via Phone)
Darold Crotzer	Attorney
Eric Fey	Director
Christian Tolbert	Interim Director
Julie Leicht	Deputy Director
Theresa Dintleman	Interim Deputy Director

Chairman Kellett called the meeting to order and a roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Two individuals signed up to speak at the Public Forum. Chairman Kellett called Frank Hardy to speak. Mr. Frank Hardy, a candidate for Alderman in Sunset Hills Ward 1, repeated his request for a special election to be held during the General Election on November 8, 2016. Chairman Kellett called the next speaker, Dr. Clifford Underwood, a supervisor at the Truman Middle School polling place. He also requested for a special election for Sunset Hills.

Chairman Kellett made a motion to close the Public Forum and Commissioner Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the Public Forum was closed.

Chairman Kellett asked if everyone had read the minutes from the July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. Secretary Maupin made a motion that the minutes be approved and Chairman Kellett seconded. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

Chairman Kellett called for Interim Director Christian Tolbert's report. Interim Director Tolbert said we had a very successful election on August 2<sup>nd</sup> and would like to thank the staff for putting in long hours and taking time away from their families in order to reach our goals. Interim Director Tolbert reported the statistics from the August 2<sup>nd</sup> primary election to the board. There was a turnout of 26.36% or 176,875 total ballots cast. Absentee mail in ballots totaled 8,001, absentee-counter voters were 4,553. On election day 28,417 opti-scan ballots were cast, and approximately 135,900 individuals voted using the touch-screens and four provisional ballots were cast. Election day we had roughly 3,600 poll workers.

Chairman Kellett then called for Director Eric Fey's report. Director Fey reported that we deployed electronic poll books in 50 of our polling locations. The poll books exceeded our expectations. Director Fey reported he visited 5 polling locations and all poll workers had high reviews of their experience. As a result, we will roll out electronic poll books at all polling places for the November Election. Director Fey also reported that for the November election, the Secretary of State certified a number of ballots propositions and new parties. There are 6 state-wide propositions. In addition, there is a St. Louis County proposition on the ballot, a property tax that will fund senior citizen services. Secretary of State also informed us that the Green Party collected enough signatures to be on the ballot; they will have a presidential candidate along with several other candidates. In addition, there will be an independent candidate for governor, and two independent candidates for state representative in St. Louis County.

Deadline for final certification of candidates and issues for November is Tuesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. Director Fey reported that he and Interim Director Tolbert attended a national election conference and talked about contingency planning with other election officials. The plan is to share with fire and police agencies the polling places within their jurisdictions, how to interact with polling places, and the lines of communication in case of emergency. Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the Directors' report, and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Under Old Business, Director Fey referred the board to their packets. First, a resolution to move the date of the Presidential Preference Primary Election was proposed. Secretary Maupin made a motion to adopt the resolution and Chairman Kellett seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Second, a cooperative agreement for candidate filing was presented, which was drafted by Attorney Crotzer working in conjunction with the directors. This agreement allows the board of election to take candidate filings for municipalities and other political subdivisions. Chairman Kellett made a motion to approve the agreement and Secretary Maupin seconded. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Director Fey referred the Board to the packet for the proposed personnel policy and procedures manual changes and modified hiring procedures. Director Fey added the proposed anti-nepotism policy would not apply to poll workers or temporary employees. Secretary Maupin proposed that the board postpone this topic at next month's meeting and Commissioner Foushee seconded. A vote was taken and the proposal was approved. Chairman Kellett made a motion to close Old Business and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and that portion of the meeting was closed.

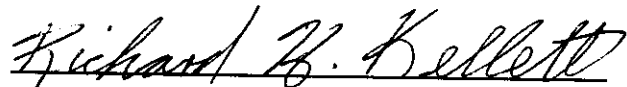
Under New Business, Director Fey referred to the proposed lease of the Deer Creek Shopping Center for absentee voting for the November election. The lease will run from September 1<sup>st</sup> to the end of November. Chairman Kellett made a motion to approve the lease Secretary Maupin seconded. A vote was taken and the board authorized the lease. Chairman Kellett made a motion to close New Business and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and that portion of the meeting was closed.

Under Financial, Director Fey reported that we are on track with the budget expenditures. Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the financial reports and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the reports were accepted.

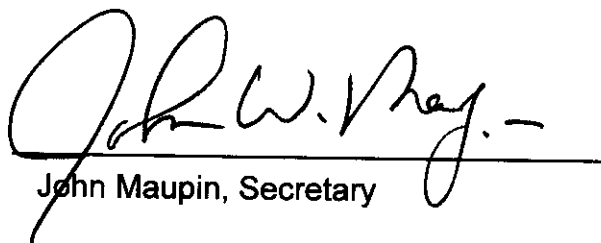
For the Personnel portion of the meeting Director Fey reported that they are working hard to secure temporary employees, looking to hire 20 to 30 employees for the November election. The application will be posted on the Board of Election website. Chairman Kellett made a motion to accept the Personnel portion of the meeting and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and that portion of the meeting was closed.

Under Legal, Attorney Crotzer informed the Board that the Sunset Hills matter is still pending. Chairman Kellett moved that the meeting be closed pursuant to Section 610.021(1), (2), (3), (12) and (13) RSMo 2000, and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Kellett, aye; Secretary Maupin, aye; Commissioner Foushee, aye.

Upon resumption of the open meeting, Chairman Kellett moved that the Board adjourn and Secretary Maupin seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chairman Kellett, aye; Secretary Maupin, aye; Commissioner Foushee, aye. The meeting was then adjourned.



Richard H. Kellett, Chairman



John Maupin, Secretary