

A meeting of the Board of Elections Commissioners of St. Louis County was held at its office located at 725 Northwest Plaza Drive, St. Ann, Missouri, Tuesday, February 26, 2019.

Present at the meeting were:

Sharon Buchanan-McClure	Chair
Trudi McCollum Foushee	absent
Matthew Potter	Commissioner
Peggy Barnhart	Commissioner
Steve Garrett	Attorney
Rick Stream	Director
Eric Fey	returning from Moldova
Christian Tolbert	Deputy Director
Julie Leicht	medical absence

Chair Buchanan-McClure called the meeting to order and a roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

No one signed up to speak at the Public Forum. Chair Buchanan-McClure then asked if everyone had read the minutes from the January 22 meeting. Commissioner Potter made a motion that the minutes be approved as amended and Commissioner Barnhart seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye. Chair Buchanan-McClure then asked if everyone had read the closed minutes from the January 22 meeting. Commissioner Barnhart made a motion that the closed minutes be approved and Commissioner Potter seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved as amended.

Chair Buchanan-McClure called for the directors' reports. Director Stream announced that we are five weeks out from the April 2<sup>nd</sup> election. This election is county-wide, as the County put a charter amendment on the ballot, and the Metropolitan Sewer District (nearly a county-wide entity) put a capital rate increase on the ballot. There are forty-four contested municipal races, sixteen contested school board races, and six contested fire board races involved in this election. There will be 404 polling places, as we have consolidated a bit from the 411 polls in the last November election. There are 320 ballot styles, and some polling places will have up to 7 different styles. There are 13,900 households (about 19,000 voters) that will be affected by polling place changes since the last election. For the court-ordered cumulative voting in the Ferguson-Florissant School Board race, there will be 3,517 households (4,719 voters) involved. We had our first town-hall meeting to answer questions and concerns with the voters of the district on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, and will have at least two more before the election. We are expecting a 20-25% turnout for this election. Director Stream then informed the Board that we are always looking for more Republican poll workers. He reached out to the Republican campaign committee for information on voters that may be interested in helping with the election – about 15,000 households. Letters were sent to North County precinct voters last week, today we sent letters to South County precinct voters, and we will soon send letters to Mid-County precinct voters. Director Stream then discussed the regional meeting two weeks ago in Lincoln County, testifying in Jefferson City on the closed primary bills for informational purposes only, and

Director Fey meeting with the Secretary of State to discuss MCVR improvements. We have purchased a new plotter in the mapping department, and we will also be having a dedication ceremony April 12th at 3:30pm for Dan Sigler, who passed away a few months ago. Finally, Director Stream presented the updated organization chart of the office to the Board. Commissioner Potter made a motion to adopt the chart and Commissioner Barnhart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the organization chart was accepted.

Deputy Director Tolbert announced that we are on day 2 of L&A (logic and accuracy) testing for the iVotronic machines, and we plan to begin testing the M-100's tomorrow. Deputy Director Tolbert successfully tested the Runbeck ballot duplicating program. The IT department is busy updating the cellphones and iPads to the latest version of iOS. The Teams department is working on registration batches and the ERIC report. On election day, we send out one cellphone per polling location, provide phones for techs, captains and deputies, and have spares available if needed. He then explained that we currently pay Verizon about \$50 a month per phone (the phones are only active for one month each election), and Verizon is trying to get this price down to about \$39 per phone including unlimited data. He also informed the Board that 72% of entities have not yet paid their deposit billing for the upcoming election. Deputy Director Tolbert then filled in a bit of Deputy Director Leicht's report. For staffing, 2,389 workers have been assigned, meaning we are 93% staffed. 1,297 workers have already attended training class. Our social media numbers are steady with 11,000 Facebook followers and 13,000 Twitter followers. So far, we have received 640 absentee ballots in-house. We will still be having satellite locations for this election at the South County and West County Government Centers, which will open one week prior to election day. We have contacted 109 nursing homes in the area for absentee visits, and 96 have responded that they are interested. Green polling place change cards will be mailed on March 8<sup>th</sup>. The Robinwood West Community Improvement District is having their election on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Finally, the deadline to receive any proposals for the RFP is March 1. We issued an addendum answering four questions and posted it to our website. Four vendors attended a meeting on February 5<sup>th</sup> regarding the RFP, including Dominion, Adkins/Unisyn, ES&S, and Hart (via telephone).

Under Old Business, the Board discussed the Mulligan Printing contract. Chair Buchanan-McClure mentioned some language issues, and Commissioner Potter suggested drafting his specific concerns in an email, and the Board will discuss further at the next meeting.

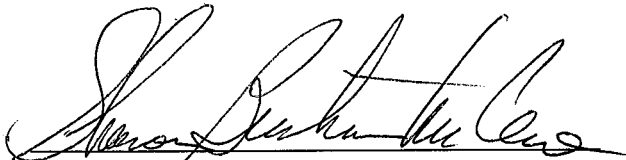
There was nothing to discuss under New Business.

Under Financial, Director Stream presented the reports to the Board, including the 13<sup>th</sup> month reports. He explained that we have a few outstanding expenditures due to the charter amendment passed in November that requires certain expenses to be approved by the County Council. Overall, we returned a little over \$1 million from the \$6.2 million budget. For the January report, we are well below our original budget.

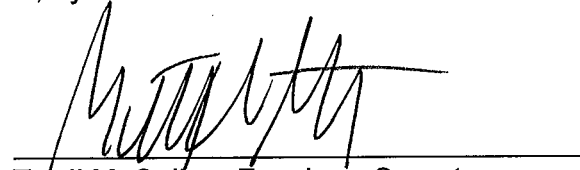
Under Personnel, Director Stream explained that we have three full-time new hires that the directors are very satisfied with. We also have a few interns and temporary employees to help with the April election.

There were no legal matters to discuss in the open meeting.

Chair Buchanan-McClure announced that the Board would adjourn after closed session. Commissioner Potter moved that the meeting be closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1),(2) and (3) to discuss litigation, real estate, and personnel issues and Commissioner Barnhart seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the votes were as follows: Chair Buchanan-McClure, aye; Commissioner Potter, aye; Commissioner Barnhart, aye.



Sharon Buchanan-McClure, Chair



Trudi McCollum Foushee, Secretary



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