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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING Minutes of December 18, 2019

The Chair called to order the meeting at 5:30pm on December 18, 2019 at 51 Inman Street. Present were Commissioner Victoria Harris, Commissioner Charles Marquardt, Commissioner Larry Ward, Commissioner Ethridge King, Executive Director Tanya Ford-Crump and Assistant Director Lesley Waxman.

Motion: Approve the Minutes of December 5, 2019 with corrections

Moved: Commissioner Harris

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Passed: 4—0

II: REPORTS

Executive Director's Report – R1

The Executive presented an extensive and detailed written report. Below are the salient points the Board discussed. The full report is attached.

The ED asked the Board to review and sign an Acknowledgement of Receipt for the Conflict of Interest Law. All four members of the Board reviewed and signed.

Municipal Election Review:

The Commissioners signed the official certificates for both the elected City Council and School Committee members

Update on the election day complaint from Ilan Levy alleging electioneering within 150 foot rule complaint by City Councilor, Tim Toomey. The complaint is being reviewed by the City Solicitor's Office.

Important dates reserved for use of the Senior Center

- o Inspector's training Saturday—2pm February 15, 2020
- o Warden/Clerk training Saturday—3pm February 15, 2020

- o Inspector's training Wednesday—6pm February 19, 2020
- o Warden/Clerk training Wednesday—7pm February 19, 2020

- o Presidential Primary Election Tuesday, March 3, 2020

- o Election worker recruitment Wednesday—6pm July 22, 2020

- o Inspector's training Saturday—2pm August 15, 2020
- o Warden/Clerk training Saturday—3pm August 15, 2020

- Inspector's training Wednesday—6pm August 19, 2020
- Warden/Clerk training Wednesday—7pm August 19, 2020

- Statewide Primary Tuesday—September 1, 2020

- Inspector's training Saturday—2pm October 10, 2020
- Warden/Clerk training Saturday—3pm October 10, 2020

- Inspector's training Tuesday—6pm October 13, 2020
- Warden/Clerk training Tuesday—7pm October 13, 2020

- General Election Tuesday—November 3, 2020

The Executive Director asked the Board to consider a date in the event of a School Committee vacancy recount. The Board agreed on January 23, 2020 if the need arise.

Deadline to register to vote is February 12, 2020 for March 3, Presidential Primary.

Early voting will begin on Monday, February 24 and end on Friday, February 28. A detailed listing of the dates, hours of operation, and locations are attached.

The Executive advised the Board to hire 8 to 9 Inspector for the Presidential Primary and the General Election.

Assistant Director's Report – Verbal

The Assistant Director reported that the precincts listed below had discrepancies with their check-out lists.

- The following precincts had minor discrepancies: 6—1, 9—1, 10—2, 11—2,
- The following precincts had major discrepancies: 10—1, and 11—1.

The Assistant Director reported that there were some issues with the Affirmation of Current and Continuous Residence forms.

III COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Commissioner Harris reported that 14 Griswold Street is a valid address.

Commissioner Harris reported that on December 12, she attended MIT's Data Science Lab, Election Science Working Group discussion. Michelle Tassinari from the Secretary of State Office spoke at this event.

Election debrief (Warden/Clerk)—Commissioner Harris suggested the week of January 27, 2020 for the meeting.

IV: PUBLIC COMMENT

In attendance: Gary Mello, Robert winters, and John Hawkinson.

- MR. Mello read a written statement. Please see attached.
- Mr. Hawkinson commented on his December 5, public comment—he stated that what he said was not accurately reflected in the meeting minutes.

VI: OLD BUSINESS – None

Next meeting will be held on January 8, 2020, 5:30pm at 51 Inman Street

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 6:53 pm

Moved: Commissioner Harris

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Passed: 4-0

A True Record

Attested by: _____

Ethridge King, Secretary

