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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Minutes of November 13, 2020

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm on November 13, 2020 at the Senior Center, 806 Mass. Ave., and via Zoom.

Roll Call:

Commissioner Ethridge King	Present
Commissioner Charles Marquardt	Present
Commissioner Larry Ward	Present
Commissioner Victoria Harris	Present

Also present were Executive Director Tanya Ford-Crump and Assistant Director Lesley Waxman.

I: MINUTES

Motion: To approve the Minutes of October 28, 2020.

Moved: Commissioner King

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Roll Call

Commissioner King	Yea
Commissioner Marquardt	Yea
Commissioner Ward	Yea
Commissioner Harris	Yea
Passed:	4—0

Motion: To approve the Minutes of November 3, 2020 with correction.

Moved: Commissioner King

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Roll Call

Commissioner King	Yea
Commissioner Marquardt	Yea
Commissioner Ward	Yea
Commissioner Harris	Yea
Passed:	4—0

Motion: To approve the Minutes of November 9, 2020.

Moved: Commissioner King

Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Roll Call

Commissioner King Yea
 Commissioner Marquardt Yea
 Commissioner Ward Yea
 Commissioner Harris Yea
Passed: 4—0

II: ACTION AGENDA**Old Business**

2020 State/Presidential Election, Tuesday, November 3rd

Review of Provisional Ballots

Commissioner Marquardt announced that on November 3, the following polling locations did not have any provisional ballots cast to review: Ward 1 Precinct 2; Ward 1 Precinct 3; Ward 2 Precinct 1; Ward 2 Precinct 2; Ward 2 Precinct 3; Ward 3 Precinct 2; Ward 3 Precinct 2A; Ward 4 Precinct 3; Ward 5 Precinct 1; Ward 6 Precinct 1; Ward 6 Precinct 2; Ward 6 Precinct 3; Ward 7 Precinct 2; Ward 7 Precinct 3; Ward 8 Precinct 1; Ward 8 Precinct 2; Ward 8 Precinct 3; Ward 9 Precinct 3; Ward 10 Precinct 1; Ward 10 Precinct 2; Ward 10 Precinct 3; Ward 11 Precinct 1; Ward 11 Precinct 2; and Ward 11 Precinct 3.

Commissioner Marquardt reviewed research related to each of the provisional ballots. The following votes were taken on each ballot reviewed. Commissioner Marquardt read and Commissioner Harris tallied the ballots cast on November 3 which were voted to be counted:

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Comment	Disposition
1-1	1	Registered too late 10/28.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
3-3	1	RMV had record of person registering by deadline.	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
4-1	1	Address issue.	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
4-1	2	Voter not registered.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
4-2	1	Voter not registered.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
5-2	1	Deleted for inactivity. Voter reactivated.	Motion: To count the ballot and reinstate voter Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number		Disposition
5-3	1	Deleted for inactivity. Voter reactivated.	Motion: To count the ballot and reinstate voter Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
7-1	1	Not registered in Cambridge.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
9-1	1	Voter is registered.	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
9-2	1	Ballot spoiled; voter resolved issue.	No vote taken

The following precincts had provisional ballots received during the early voting period of October 17-30, 2020: Ward 1 Precinct 1; Ward 3 Precinct 1; Ward 6 Precinct 1; Ward 9 Precinct 2; and Ward 11 Precinct 1.

Commissioner Marquardt reviewed research related to each of the provisional ballots. The following votes were taken on each ballot reviewed. Commissioner Marquardt read and Commissioner Harris tallied the ballots received during early voting which were voted to be counted:

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Comment	Disposition
6-2	1	Not registered.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
6-3	1	Voter attempted to register during early voting but did not submit registration form.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
8-1	1	Not registered in Cambridge.	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0

Review of Overseas Ballots

The Commissioners reviewed overseas ballots for postmarks. The following were the disposition of the ballots reviewed:

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Postmark	Disposition
1-2	1	10/27/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Postmark	Disposition
2-2	1	10/28/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
2-3	1	10/24/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
8-2	1	No postmark visible; received in office 11/9/20	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 3-1 (Harris in the negative)
8-3	1	10/26/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Harris Passed: 3-0 (King absent)
9-1	1	10/21/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
9-2	1	10/24/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
10-2	1	11/3/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
10-2	2	11/3/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
10-2	3	11/3/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0
10-2	4	11/3/20	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: Commissioner Marquardt Seconded: Commissioner Ward Passed: 4-0

Official Election Results

At 5:17 pm an announcement was made that no more ballots had been received by the Election Commission office.

The total ballots cast in Cambridge were 55,039. This represented 75% of all registered voters, currently numbering 73,381 in the City of Cambridge. Official results of the November 3, 2020 State/Presidential Election will be posted on Monday, November 16, 2020.

The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for December 9, 2020 at 5:30 pm via Zoom.

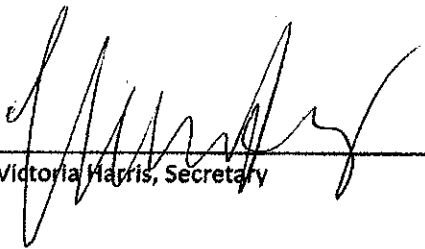
Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 5:58 pm
Moved: Commissioner King
Seconded: Commissioner Marquardt

Roll Call

Commissioner Marquardt	Yea
Commissioner Harris	Yea
Commissioner Ward	Yea
Commissioner King	Yea
Passed:	4—0

A True Record

Attested by:


Victoria Harris, Secretary