



## BOARD OF ELECTIONS MINUTES

Tuesday, July 27, 2021, 11:00 A.M.

Willowbank Office Building  
420 Holmes Street, Room 146  
Bellefonte, PA 16823

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### I. CALL TO ORDER

The public meeting of the Centre County Board of Elections was convened at 11:19 AM by Chair of the Board, Commissioner Steven Dershem.

In attendance were Commissioner Michael Pipe, Commissioner Mark Higgins, Commissioner Steven Dershem, Administrator Margaret Gray, County Solicitor Elizabeth Dupuis, Deputy Administrator John Franek, Jr., Voter Registration Coordinator Latisha Stefanko, and Staff Assistant Jillian Savage.

### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments received from the public.

### III. MINUTES

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| i. August 18, 2020    | vi. December 31, 2020 |
| ii. October 29, 2020  | vii. May 20, 2021     |
| iii. November 3, 2020 | viii. May 21, 2021    |
| iv. November 4, 2020  | ix. May 25, 2021      |
| v. November 5, 2020   | x. June 7, 2021       |

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes i.-x.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

### V. OLD BUSINESS

#### Center for Tech and Civic Life COVID-19 Response Grant Final Report

Commissioner Pipe reported that in 2020 the County applied for and received a grant in the amount of \$863,828.50 from the Center for Tech and Civic Life. The categories and expenditures for June 15, 2020 to July 31, 2021 are as follows:

<b>a. Ballot drop boxes</b>	\$110,633.89
<b>b. Drive-through voting</b>	\$0
<b>c. Personal protective equipment (PPE) for staff, poll workers, or voters</b>	\$25,971

<b>d. Poll worker recruitment funds, hazard pay, and/or training expenses</b>	\$75,608
<b>e. Polling place rental and cleaning expenses</b>	\$27,423.44
<b>f. Temporary staffing support</b>	\$48,174.99
<b>g. Election department real estate costs, or costs associated with satellite election department office</b>	\$4,300
<b>h. Vote-by-mail/Absentee voting equipment or supplies</b>	\$273,429.54
<b>i. Election administration equipment</b>	\$224,540.55
<b>j. Voting materials in languages other than English</b>	\$0
<b>k. Non-partisan voter education</b>	\$26,313.77
<b>l. Temporary staffing hazard pay</b>	\$18,100
<b>m. Vote-by-mail worker pay</b>	\$8,343.32
<b>n. Polling place accessibility improvements</b>	\$20,989
<b>Total expenditures</b>	\$863,828.50

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to approve the submission of the final report.

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Latisha Stefanko reported on a phone call the Elections Office received from a minority inspector regarding records and a domestic dispute. The Board discussed the situation and noted that the minority inspector's attorney should reach out to Betsy if needed.

VII. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Monday, August 2, 2021**

Last day to circulate and file nomination papers

**Monday, August 9, 2021**

Last day to file objections to nomination papers

Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers

Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the primary

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Jillian Savage  
Staff Assistant, Commissioners' Office