



## BOARD OF ELECTIONS AGENDA

Tuesday, October 13, 2020, 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 11:03 AM by Chair of the Board of Elections, Commissioner Steven Dershem.

In attendance were Commissioner Michael Pipe, Commissioner Mark Higgins, Commissioner Steven Dershem, Administrator Margaret Gray, Elections Coordinator Jodi Nedd, Voter Registration Latisha Stefanko, and Executive Office Supervisor Natalie Smith.

Media present included Gary Sinderson.

### II. PUBLIC COMMENT

### III. MINUTES

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to approve minutes of the Board of Elections Meeting held on Tuesday, October 6.

### IV. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Advertising for 2020 General Elections

Commissioner Pipe reviewed advertising for upcoming General Election deadlines. Advertising is contracted with the Centre Daily Times through McClatchy. This will include advertisement of the voter registration deadline, obtaining a mail in ballot, the Satellite Election Office, find your polling location, etc. Jodi has an abundance of poll worker applications and will not need to advertise for additional help.

#### B. Inquiry Letter for No Signature on Voter's Declaration for Returned Mail-In Ballots and Absentee Ballots. Commissioner Pipe introduced the draft letter, it reads:

The Centre County Elections Office has received your returned ballot envelope for this election.

You did not sign your Voter's Declaration on the back side of the envelope as required by the Pennsylvania Elections Code. Your cast ballot cannot be counted unless you come into our office at the Willowbank Office Building no later than 8:00 PM on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> to sign your envelope.

Commissioner Dershem asked if the voter will be required to provide identification. It was suggested by Commissioner Pipe and agreed by the Board that this is necessary. On a

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motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to approve the draft letter.

C. Temporary Change of Polling Location

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to add item i.

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- i. Precinct 49 Ferguson Northeast 1 to Discovery Space on North Atherton Street.

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Commissioner Pipe reported on new the Satellite Elections Office at the Bryce Jordan Center. The location is open Wednesday through Saturday for the next two weeks.

The County has received over 31,000 mail in and absentee ballots.

VII. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Monday, October 19, 2020**

Last day to REGISTER before the November election.

**Tuesday, October 27, 2020**

Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Pipe, seconded by Commissioner Higgins, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Natalie Smith  
Executive Office Supervisor