



The Charles County Board of Elections held its regular monthly board meeting on October 21, 2021 at 201 East Charles Street, La Plata, Maryland, 20646 at 9:00 a.m.

- I. Declaration of Quorum Present:** Fern Brown; conference call
Dorothy Duffield; conference call
Craig Renner; conference call
Norman Saunders; conference call
- Louis Jenkins, Board Attorney; conference call
- Staff: Tracy A. Dickerson
Stephanie Ramos-Santos
Wade Beswick
- Public: Jerry Feith; conference call
- II. Approval of September Minutes:** Mr. Norman Saunders made a motion to accept the September minutes, seconded by Ms. Fern Brown. Unanimously approved.
- III. Additions to the Agenda:** N/A
- IV. Election Director's Report:**
- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that she went to survey St. Joseph's Parish Center in Pomfret on October 13, 2021. She informed the board that the early voting site is fully accessible and meets all requirements. She informed the board that the church does not want signage in front of the church or statues. Ms. Dickerson said she agreed with those terms and has put them in the contract.
 - Mr. Norman Saunders asked, "could we put a sign at the location for candidates that shows where not to put signage?" Ms. Dickerson responded that she has typed up a signage Do's and Don'ts for candidates, so when they file, they will get that notice in their packet. Candidates that have already filed will receive a mailed copy. Mr. Renner asked if this site is within budget, Ms. Dickerson responded yes.
 - Ms. Dorothy Duffield made a motion to approve St. Joseph's Parish Center to be used as an early voting site, seconded by Ms. Fern Brown. Unanimously approved.

- Ms. Dickerson announced she will survey the Waldorf Senior Center on Post Office Road, on November 2, 2021. She stated that the Waldorf Senior Center has plenty of space & parking, and a gym area that could house Early Voting. She is mainly looking for this site to replace Benjamin Stoddert Middle School for Election Day as it will be under renovation in 2022. Additionally, the Senior Center is being considered for an Early Voting location.
- Ms. Dickerson informed the board that she will be sending them a link of the legislative redistricting map that is out for public comment. Ms. Dickerson explained that the map proposes Charles County stays in the 5th Congressional District, but Senatorial will move from Legislative 28 to 40 and will make delegates run by district. Charles County would also join partly with Prince George's County and St. Mary's County. Ms. Dickerson said that depending on how the lines run, she is not sure if more precincts will be added. We have not as of yet received notification if any commissioner districts will change.
- Mr. Craig Renner announced to everyone in the meeting that the Board of Elections does not have any role in how the lines are drawn for redistricting. Ms. Dickerson agreed and said that the Board of Elections office implements what is approved by legislation.
- Mr. Wade Beswick announced to the board that all equipment is in compliance with the charging schedule. Ms. Dickerson announced that we are prepared and ready to implement the mock election. The ballot proofing phase has been completed. The Logic & Accuracy testing portion of the mock election will be held on November 3, 2021, and any board members wanting to observe are welcome.

V. Board Attorney Report: N/A

VI. Old Business: N/A

VII. New Business: N/A

VIII. Next Board Meeting: The next Board Meeting will be held on November 18, 2021.

IX. Motion to Adjourn: Ms. Brown made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Duffield. Unanimously approved.

Approved during virtual board meeting held November 18, 2021