

Bel Air Board of Election Judges
Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2021 at 3:30 PM
Bel Air Town Hall
39 N. Hickory Ave., Bel Air, MD 21014

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 3:30 PM.

Members Present: Priscilla Jindra
Elaine Millard
Wendy Ribbans

Absent: Evelyn Rossbach

Staff Present: Michael Krantz, Director of HR & Administration/Town Clerk

Others/Guests: Ruth Oswald
Lisa Robbins

Call to Order

Michael Krantz asked for approval of the agenda.

Priscilla Jindra motioned, and Elaine Millard seconded the motion, to approve the agenda as written.

Ayes: Jindra, Millard, and Ribbans.

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Everyone introduced themselves, one at a time. Ruth Oswald and Lisa Robbins explained that they are interested in serving as Town of Bel Air Elections Judges for the upcoming Town of Bel Air municipal election, scheduled for November 2, 2021.

Michael Krantz informed that Evelyn Rossbach resigned due to circumstances beyond her control.

Review and Discuss Town Code Chapter 37 Elections

Michael Krantz reviewed the Town Code and related deadlines, dates, and times, and regulations, associated with the upcoming election. Mr. Krantz demonstrated that deadlines, and important voter, and candidate information, is posted on the Town's website, under Elections, with references to the Harford County Board of Elections website, as necessary.

Review and Discuss Ordinance No. 802-21

Michael Krantz explained that Ordinance 802-21 was passed on May 3, 2021, by the Board of Town Commissioners, amending the absentee voting section of the Town Code, and aligning it with the timeliness provisions of the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR).

Nominate and Elect Chief Election Judge

Michael Krantz asked for nominations for the position of Chief Election Judge on the Bel Air Board of Election Judges.

Elaine Millard motioned, and Wendy Ribbans seconded the motion, to nominate Priscilla Jindra as Chief Election Judge, on the Bel Air Board of Election Judges.

Ayes: Jindra, Millard, and Ribbans

Nays: None

The motion passed.

Designate Election Judges for Canvassing of Absentee and Provisional Ballots

Michael Krantz asked and Priscilla Jindra, Elaine Millard, and Wendy Ribbans, confirmed that they are available to meet on November 4, 2021 at 10:00 AM, and November 12, 2021 at 10:00 AM, at Town Hall, to canvas the absentee ballots as needed.

Additional Poll Workers and Alternate Election Judges

The Board discussed the staffing levels at past elections and determined that three Election Judges and one Alternate Election Judge, plus, one Poll Worker should be adequate staff to run the November 2, 2021 election.

Election Judge Training

Michael Krantz conveyed that he will contact the Harford county Board of Elections to schedule training sometime in October 2021.

Miscellaneous

Michael Krantz expressed how much he appreciates the Harford County Board of Elections Staff and expertise, as well as, everything they do to assist with the election. The role of Harford County Board of Elections Staff, on election day, was discussed. All concurred that their role was supportive in nature and the Bel Air Chief Election Judge would request assistance from Harford County Board of Elections Staff as necessary.

Adjournment

With no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 PM.

Signature on file.

Priscilla Jindra, Chief Election Judge

Signature on file.

Michael L. Krantz, Town Clerk