

Powhatan County Electoral Board Meeting

April 17, 2024

Present:

Nancy Ayers, Chairwoman
Bill Melton, Vice Chair
Frank Flannagan, Secretary
Karen Alexander, Director of Elections

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Nancy Ayers at 10:07 am

Bill Melton, Vice Chair, requests to amend the agenda to add a discussion of “Liability at Voting Precincts”.

Agenda was amended and approved.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss security compliance and other related issues.

Logic and Accuracy Testing date was set for May 2, 2024 at 9 AM in the Village Building.

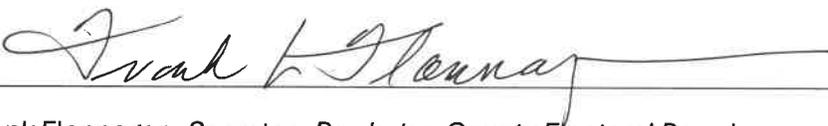
The Director advised the Electoral Board of upcoming training dates in July regarding Legislative Updates. She set June 10th as the date for Election Officer Training for the June 18th primary. This training class would only be for the Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs.

After receiving notice from the Headmaster of Blessed Sacrament High School, the Electoral Board and Director discussed the moving of Bethesda 301 precinct from Blessed Sacrament Huguenot Catholic School to Red Lane Baptist Church. After a lengthy discussion of pros and cons, a motion was made to move the precinct to Red Lane Baptist Church. Ayes 3 Nays 0. The Director would now meet with the County Administrator to set a meeting with the Board of Supervisors, advising them to set a public hearing for the change in precinct location in time to meet state requirements for the November 5th Presidential election.

The Board discussed the “Do’s and Don’ts for Campaigners” who work outside at the voting precincts. A discussion ensued on how campaigners should behave when meeting voters as they come to vote. There needs to be local rules developed when and where campaigners put up and take down signs at precincts. The Director of Elections has received complaints from the owners of the precincts about how their property is treated during elections.

The Electoral Board asked the Director of Elections to send a list of precinct locations to the county’s Risk Manager to verify that those facilities are covered by insurance during elections in case of an accident.

There were no other business matters to come before the Board, meeting adjourned 12 noon.



Frank Flannagan, Secretary Powhatan County Electoral Board