Electoral Board Meeting April 14, 2021

In Attendance: Eric Johnson, Donna Weaver and Nancy Peery

Excused: Liz Knapp

Eric called the meeting to order.

The minutes from March 10,2021 Board meeting were approved,

The plaques for Amanda McGuire was passed around and it is very nice and it will be given to her in our May 12, 2021. The plaques for the other retiring Officers of Election will be ordered soon and will be presented to them at a later date.

Status of the Primary Election on June 8, 2021-Notice will be placed in the paper this week on Thursday of the sample ballot.

L & A Testing will be conducted on April 16, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. Nancy will be attending, and the democratic and Republican representatives are invited to attend.

Nancy signed the letters to the precinct and will be sent out by May 1,2021.

General Registrar Report:

Donna will have everything ready for early voting by April 23,2021 and early voting will start on April 24,2021. Absentee voting will be sent out for the June Primaries. The Absentee letters are pre-paid envelopes, and we will be reimbursed by the state.

Haley Woodzell will be starting to work five days a week starting on April 27,2021 through the election.

Question has been presented on our scanner that counts the votes in our state. The state of Virginia uses a DS200 scanner and it is not equipped with a chip that could be accessed with the internet to manipulate the votes. Virginia opted for that feature to be eliminated.

Mountain Grove has been fully staffed for the June Primary. Chief will be Lisa Chuck. Officers of election are David Chuck, Jeremy Cutlip and Julia Cutlip. All other precincts are fully staffed. Training will begin for the June Primary will begin at the end of May. The training that began in March with individual precincts went very well with great feedback with things to help with the elections on election day. End of Report

Public comment

Four people were in attendance.

Question was presented on the motherboards on the DS200 scanner. This was discussed earlier in the meeting. The poll pads used to check in our voters is not connected to the internet.

Donna explained the L & A testing on how the scanners are cleared and loaded for every election. Each scanner has a security seal placed on machine after loaded and on election day the seal must not be broken. The seal has to match the paperwork with the same seal # that is on the machine. The scanners are locked up at the courthouse and only Donna has the key to the room Print Elect that services the scanners do maintenance on them once a year. For security reasons no one is allowed to attend the maintenance on the DS200. Bath County will not be using a subcontractor to send out Mail in voting. We are anticipating a low turnout for the June Primaries; no extra help is needed. The deadline to register to vote or update an existing election, is eleven days prior to each election.

Eric asked if there were any more comments and there were not. Eric moved to close the meeting,

Next meeting will be on May 12, 2021at 3:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Bath County Historical Society Building.

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