

SPENCER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 8, 2023, 1:00 p.m., Commissioner's Room at Courthouse

Meeting called to order by Secretary Darrell Stephens. Present were board members Gina Pennington, Clerk Darrell Stephens, voter registration officer Sandy Wilkinson and Jerriann Burroughs, GOP chair Jon Winkler's appointee to replace Board President Jeff Lindsey. Lindsey resigned his position because his wife is running for elected office. Also present was Don Steen of the Spencer County Leader.

Stephens announced Lindsey's resignation from the Board and the appointment of Jerriann Burroughs to fill the Board vacancy.

Stephens, per Indiana statutes, then made the official appointment of Burroughs to the Board and administered the Oath of Office (see February Minute documents and 2023 Miscellaneous Fillings in the Clerk's office for a copy of form CEB-6).

Next order of business was to elect a new Board President. Stephens advised the Board that the belief in the past was that the President of the Board was determined by the party with the majority of Board members automatically receiving the Presidency with the Clerk serving as Secretary. However, it had been determined that there was no state or county rule that verified that policy and that either Board member could serve as Board President. New Board member Burroughs then nominated Gina Pennington for the position of Election Board President, citing her knowledge, experience and years of service as qualifications for the nomination. Stephens seconded and nomination carried with a 2-0 vote with Pennington abstaining.

Minutes from January 18th, 2023 meeting approved on motion from Stephens with second by Pennington. Passed with 3-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Candidate Sign-Ups-Stephens and Wilkinson presented a list of candidate sign-ups for the 2023 Municipal elections. The pair informed the Board that there would be no need for a primary election as there were no contested races.

Vote Locations and Early Voting-There was no need to make decisions about the possibility of altering voting locations and Early Voting hours since there would be no primary. Stephens said he would reach out to the Indiana Election Division (IED) and see if an amendment needed to be made to the Vote Center Proposal since there would be no election in the spring.

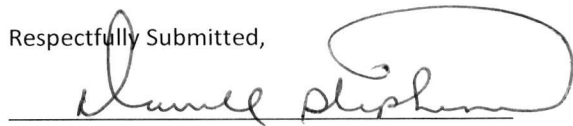
NEW BUSINESS

Annual MicroVote Election Service Fees-Stephens presented the annual MicroVote Service Fees Contract and informed the Board that it was due for submission by Friday, February 10. The Contract (see February minutes for copy) is for machine programming, Poll Pad Encoding, Public test and Database creation. None of those services will be needed in the primary. Stephens asked for any input as to what to submit for the General Election. It was decided for Stephens to contact MicroVote and ask for input about what to submit since there is a chance that there could be from 2-6 Municipal Elections in the fall. Currently there is no way to predict the actual number until all sign-up deadlines have been passed, which won't happen until July 3rd.

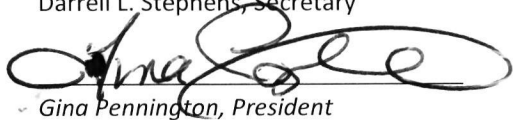
The next meeting date was set for Monday, April 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the commissioner's room at the Courthouse.

Pennington made motion to adjourn meeting, Stephens seconded. All voted in favor.

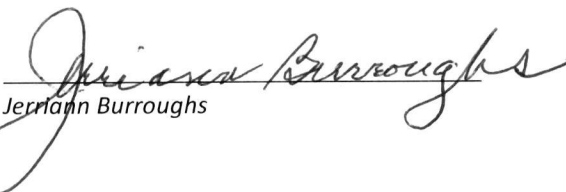
Respectfully Submitted,



Darrell L. Stephens, Secretary



Gina Pennington, President



Jerriann Burroughs