



## *County of Gloucester*

Minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting of the Gloucester County Electoral Board.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 3:00 pm in the EB office in the Registrar's Complex in County Office Building #1. Present were Patricia Dunnington, Chair of Gloucester Republican Party, Michael Horrell, Albert Ali, Rebecca Horsley, and Bobbi Morgan, Registrar.

Minutes of the EB meeting for August 9, 2017 were previously approved and posted to Gloucester County Voter Registrar's Web site.

Chairman and Vice-Chairman had no report.

Secretary reported that we received the contract from Atlantic Election Services for the one Dominion Voting System and will be signed and returned immediately.

Registrar reported on the following:

EB MEETING September 6, 2017 @ 3pm

**STATE MANDATE COMING WITH DECERTIFICATION OF ALL DRE VOTING MACHINES:** County Administrator, Brent Fedors approved immediate purchase on 8/9/2017 of 1 Voting Machine for use in the Central Absentee Precinct to ensure we are ready to begin Absentee Voting on September 22, 2017. Bill Lindsay processed purchase order 8/10/2017 and the vendor notified us we will have the machine in by 9/15/2017. Training for Registrar's Office and Electoral Board to be announced. Commissioner Cortes responded on 8/21/2017 and the letter was forwarded to the County Administrator to present to the BOS. The BOS will not vote on the purchase for the remaining Voting Machines until SBE & VITA Decertifies them.

**ELECT:** Received call from Liz Howard, Deputy Commissioner on the Voting Machine status and was told SBE & VITA should be meeting by Fri., Sept. 8th, Sat., Sept. 9th or Mon., Sept. 11th with a decision. She stated testing is ongoing now with VITA and that when SBE sets a meeting Date/Time we will be notified. I notified her the Board of Supervisors would not be purchasing New Voting Machines unless the current machines are decertified and that they will stay on the current CIP to purchase the New Voting Machines on July 1, 2018. If SBE & VITA do not decertify, that tells us our machines are still secure and un-hackable.

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE:** Next Deadline September 15, 2017.

**BALLOT ORDER:** Benj. Franklin Printing Co. on 8/18/2017 sent Ballot Proofs for all 3 voting machines to be prepared to order in case of decertification. I replied to the Department of Elections Survey with all 9 Ballot Styles and received approval on 8/23/2017 and forwarded the response to the printer to be on standby for final order. I recommend we go forward with using the New Voting Machine in the CAP precinct and order the Absentee Ballots today so we will be sure to be ready for our Mailing & In-Person Absentee requests. We can add our final ballot order for the precincts needed on election day, once we receive direction from SBE & VITA.

ELECTION OFFICERS: Training will focus on the New Voting Machines, if acquired; along with Security Policy, Emergency Procedures and New and Improved Easy Forms for closing success. Governor McAuliffe sent out an email to state employees to encourage them to sign up to become Officers of Election and we received 4 New EO's for Gloucester County from his request, as well as 4 others from local requests.

ELECTORAL BOARD: Revised Letters are ready for the following (Precincts, IT Support, Chief, Machine Officer, Ballot Order and Voting Machine Programmer) BPC- Incorporating the "Line Survey" this November has been postponed due to the use of New Voting Machines. We will look at participating in this survey in the next June Primary 2018.

ADVERTISING: EB Review pending ad for New Voting Machine to be added, if needed. Vendor approved.

CHARGE VOTING MACHINES: EB to check the Voting Equipment and plug-in to charge.

EPB's: Contract signed with Demtech through June 30, 2018, invoice and W-9 handed into finance 8/18/2017. Also, IT to go over each unit before 9/29/2017, outline needed from EB and I will run a test in PAM & PCC for a mock election.

VOTING MACHINE VENDOR: Contract to be signed by EB, Secretary and returned to AES, Inc.

NEXT EB MEETING: October 4, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Albert Ali  
Chairman

Michael Horrell  
Vice-Chairman

Rebecca Horsley  
Secretary