

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2015

Committee Chair Jack Vietti called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the committee meeting room of Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

Present: Vietti, Gerwin, Carley, Goembel, Kestner, Steichen

Absent: Runyon

Also Present: Marty Fannin, Alina Hartley, Kathy Arbogast, Bill Flott, Paul Ritter & members of the PTHS AP Environmental Science Class

Vietti requested that the agenda be amended to add item. E. Appointment to Dwight Fire Protection District. Vietti then called for any additional changes to the agenda with none requested. *Motion by Carley, second by Gerwin to approve the agenda as amended.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting. *Motion by Gerwin, second by Goembel to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Ordinance: Prohibiting the use of Plastic Bags in Grocery Stores – Paul Ritter reported that the group will be meeting with the City of Pontiac later in the evening to discuss their proposal. It was noted that the City of Chicago recently introduced this same type of legislation. Ritter stated that the County has the opportunity to be on the cutting edge in regards to this initiative. Ritter stated that they have given 15 presentations thus far. Discussion took place. It was reiterated that a County did not have jurisdiction to enforce a county wide ordinance. If a resolution or ordinance was adopted, it would not have an effect on local businesses. *Motion by Steichen, second by Goembel to recommend approval of a resolution supporting the initiative.* **MOTION CARRIED ON ROLL CALL VOTE.** Ayes: Vietti, Carley, Goembel, Steichen. Nays: Gerwin, Kestner

Appointment: Michael L. Winterland – Farmers Cooperative Drainage District – The Committee Reviewed a request for the appointment of Michael Winterland to the Farmers Cooperative Drainage District. Mr. Winterland will replace Lowell Winterland who has resigned. *Motion by Gerwin, second by Goembel to recommend approval of the appointment of Michael Winterland to the Farmers Cooperative Drainage District.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Animal Control Fees and Fines – Hartley stated that the States Attorney had not had time to review the request to increase the animal control fines and that he hoped to be able to do so later in the week. *Motion by Steichen, second by Kestner to table the item in order to allow the States Attorney adequate time to review.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Review of Pending Legislation –The Committee reviewed the 99th General Assembly Synopsis Report of pending legislation. The Committee will continue to monitor these items.

Appointments: Gary Marx – Dwight Fire Protection District – Hartley reported that a request for the appointment of Gary Marx had recently come in. Hartley questioned whether the Committee wished to meet prior to the Board meeting to review the request. Consensus of the Committee was to meet at 5:45 to review the request for appointment.

Motion by Kestner, second by Steichen to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.** Meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m..

Alina M. Hartley
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