

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD
ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2018

Committee Vice-Chair Jim Carley called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. in the committee meeting room of Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

Present: Fannin (arrived at 5:08 p.m.), Carley, Allen, Shafer, Vietti

Absent: Runyon, Steichen

Also Present: Chairman Bob Young, Executive Director Alina Hartley, County Clerk Kristy Masching, Zoning Administrator Chuck Schopp, County Board Members John Slagel and Kathy Arbogast

Carley called for any additions or corrections to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Shafer, second by Vietti to approve the agenda as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the October 12, 2017 and January 11, 2018 meetings. *Motion by Vietti, second by Allen to approve the minutes as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

County Clerk Office Hours for Election – Kristy Masching was present to request authorization to close her office to all non-election activities on March 20th and November 6th. Masching stated that this was done for the last election and it worked out well. Masching stated that she isn't sure how busy it will be this year, but last year during the presidential election there were over 200 people that walked in to vote on election day. Masching stated that they did end up helping some people who had come in not knowing that the office was closed and would plan to do the same this year. *Motion by Vietti, second by Shafer to recommend approval of a resolution changing the office hours of the County Clerk on March 20th and November 6th.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Masching gave an update on some of the issues currently going on with the election. Masching stated that she will be looking at battery back-ups and generators in case of power outages, but doesn't expect any issues, just wants to be prepared. Masching also reported that there was a contested candidate filing, so it remains to be seen if the courts will approve or disapprove of the individual being placed on the ballot. Masching reviewed some of the issues that is causing with early voting to begin on Thursday.

Re-Appointment: Dr. Katherine Austman– Livingston County TB Board – The Committee reviewed a request from MaLinda Hillman to reappoint Dr. Katherine Austman to the TB Board. *Motion by Vietti, second by Carley to recommend approval of the reappointment of Dr. Katherine Austman to the Livingston County TB Board.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Re-Appointment: Jerry Gaspardo – Livingston County Regional Planning Commission
Re-Appointment: Verne Taylor– Livingston County Regional Planning Commission
Re-Appointment: Dean Wahls – Livingston County Regional Planning Commission –

Chuck Schopp was present to request reappointments to the Livingston County Planning Commission. Schopp reported that Mr. Gaspardo is not yet sure if he wants to be reappointed, so he is waiting to hear back. Consensus of the Committee was to re-appoint at this time, and should Mr. Gaspardo not wish to be re-appointed, someone could be appointed to fill that term. *Motion by Carley, second by Allen to recommend the reappointment of Jerry Gaspardo, Verne Taylor and Dean Wahls to the Livingston County Planning Commission.*

MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.

Appointment: Vermilion Valley ETSB – Young reported that Mike Ingles term on the ETSB has now expired. Young stated that Ingles has served on that board for quite some time so he wondered if the Committee thought another board member should be given the chance to serve. Discussion took place. *Motion by Shafer, second by Carley to follow the Chairman's recommendation and recommend the Board do the same.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

Motion by Vietti, second by Carley to adjourn. **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**
Meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m..

Alina M. Hartley
Executive Director