

Town of Athens
Board of Civil Authority Meeting
August 4, 2022 6:00pm
At the Town Office

In attendance: David Bemis, Sandi Capponcelli, Harold Noyes, Janet Perry, Darlene Wyman, Kate Bova, Hannah Regier

Called to order at 6:02

Review checklist names and addresses

The checklist was reviewed.

Sandi made a motion to challenge the following voters:

Chloe Benware, Richard Bubar, Michelle Boulrice, Paul Desrusseaux, Jonathan Maloney, Tracy Miller-Sweet, Michele Norris, Sheila Ritchie, David Warner, Andrew Valor and Matthew Tenney.

Harold seconded the motion. Put to a vote: all in favor.

Hannah will remove Kim Healy who has died.

Review election procedures

Hannah asked the board about setting guidelines for where people can campaign outside the building on election day.

- Signs can be put across the street so they don't block parking or walking.
- People can campaign and hold signs outside of the building as long as they don't block the entrance or block traffic or parking.
- No political materials are allowed to be displayed inside the building, including clothing, flyers, pins, stickers, etc.

Hannah says that there is a role for the BCA at the polls on election day, to make a determination on adding someone to the checklist. David suggests using the provisional ballot procedure and the BCA can make a determination when they arrive to count votes. Hannah will check if the town has any provisional ballot envelopes.

David asks about the voting procedure when there are three ballots. People do not declare which ballot they want. Hannah clarifies that all voters get all three ballots and only vote on one, with two going in an "unvoted" ballot box.

Hannah asks for Treah Pichette, Sherry Maher and Donald Capponcelli to be appointed as election officials.

David makes a motion those three people are appointed as poll workers. Janet seconds. Put to a vote: Ayes: David, Harold, Kate and Janet. Sandi abstains. Motion passes.

Hannah states that the Elliotts would like two JPs to bring them a ballot. Sandi and Janet will bring their ballot to them at 2:30 on the 9th.

The board reviews the requirements for when people can request a home delivery for their ballot. The requirement is to request home delivery by the time the town clerk's office closes on the day before the election. Janet says she can be available for additional deliveries if called.

Hannah recommends that the JPs review the 2022 Election Procedures Manual that is online at the SOS website.

Hannah clarifies that the addresses that were returned from the emergency committee mailing were because they were physical addresses when people have different mailing addresses. Only physical addresses print on the checklist, so the emergency committee didn't have the mailing addresses. Hannah states that the town does have the mailing addresses of these people in the election management system for the purpose of mailing election materials.

David made the motion to adjourn. Sandi seconds. All in favor.

Adjourned at 6:28

Respectfully submitted,
Hannah Regier, Town Clerk