

## Board of Registrars

April 5, 2018 Minutes

Attendees: Rosemary Fudeman, Susan Deliddo, Phil O'Brien, Lynne Grettum

- Meeting was convened at 9:10AM
- Rosemary was sworn in for a new term to run from 4/1/18 through 3/31/2021
- Board unanimously elected Rosemary Fudeman as Chairman
- Minutes from December 12, 2017 were approved unanimously
- Early voting update
  - Princeton will be receiving a reimbursement from the State Auditor's office for approximately
  - There has been a push by some legislators to ask for early voting in the September Primary, but Lynne currently did not think it would happen for the Primary.
  - Lynne is not sure what changes will occur in the EV process for the November Election. Will have to wait for information from the Elections Division.
- Automatic Voter Registration update – Lynne passed on information from the MA Clerk's Lobbyist that the Secretary of State held a press conference to support the Bill and there was an expectation that the Bill might be approved around the end of April
- New Voter Registration project
  - We discussed the planned voter registration scheduled for Wachusett Regional High school by a group of volunteers. Sue would be participating, and the board thought the event was a great idea.
  - One of the issues that came up was how we could reach out to other eligible new voters including those that attend Monty Tech. Phil offered to contact Monty Tech to see if they held any voter registrations at the school.
  - The board agree to go ahead and send out the new voter letters that had been the practice to try to get those residents who would be 18 by the Town Election and Town meeting registered. There were 10 eligible residents. The deadline to register was coming up quickly so Lynne offered to mail out the letters.
- The Board reviewed the 2018 Election schedule
  - Lynne distributed a preliminary election schedule
  - The deadline for voter registration is Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> for both Town Election and Town Meeting.
  - The Town Clerk's Office will be open on the 17<sup>th</sup> from 8AM to 8PM as a special voter registration session.
  - State Primary will be on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. The original date was moved from 9/18, because it fell during the Jewish Holidays.

- State Election is on November 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Nomination paper deadlines for submission to Registrars for certification via Town Clerk's office. Office must be open until 5PM on all the following dates.
  - May 1, 2018 – all offices except statewide and Congress
  - May 8, 2018 – state-wide and Congress offices
  - July 5, 2018 – Public Policy questions
  - July 31, 2018 – all non-party candidates

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Grettum