

Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners

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The May 2022 Monthly Meeting of the Peoria County Board of Election Commissioners was held at the Election Commission Office at 4422 Brandywine Dr. on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM.

PRESENT: James Manning, Chairman
Matt Bartolo, Secretary
Jeanne Williamson, Commissioner
Thomas Bride, Executive Director
Elizabeth Gannon, Assistant Executive Director
Gregory Siepel, Assistant State's Attorney

ABSENT: Mark Ketterer, Vice Chairman
Sandra Burke, Treasurer

GUESTS: Irene Pritzger, Jackie Petty, Mark Lang, Theresa Johanson, Jody Oltman

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

A Roll Call of the Commissioners was taken by Chairman Manning finding all Commissioners present except Vice Chairman Ketterer and Treasurer Burke.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes from the April 12, 2022 Monthly Meeting

Secretary Bartolo moved to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2022, Monthly Meeting. Commissioner Williamson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Theresa Johanson spoke against prepaid postage on returned vote by mail ballots.
Jody Oltman spoke about the policies related to Ballot Drop (Collection) boxes.
Mark Lang spoke about and recommended that the Board view the Movie 2000 Mules.

Approval of Expenditures

Executive Director Bride explained the bills (see attached) to the Board. Commissioner Williamson moved to approve the bills. Secretary Bartolo seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Proposed Payment of Returned Vote by Mail Ballots after 2022 elections.

Chairman Manning deferred the discussion until the June Monthly Meeting to allow Treasurer Burke to be present.

Report of the Executive Director

General Primary Update

Executive Director Bride gave the Board an update on the status of preparing for the June 28, 2022 General Primary. He told the Board that training for Election Judges was ongoing and that the ballot is close to being done, then will be proofed and an internal L&A test will be held. He explained that Early Voting & Vote by Mail starts May 19th. He explained that the staff is working through new processes related to the changes due to the new voting system and new ePollbooks. He doesn't think there will be any issues with outstanding candidate challenges. Assistant Executive Director Gannon invited the Commissioners to attend any of the Election Judge trainings. Chairman Manning asked about the ballot drop boxes. Executive Director Bride told the Board that the plan is to have the ballot drop box at the office open at the start of Vote by Mail and that the other two still need to be installed and a camera added at one location. The offsite locations are planning on being open on June 13. Commissioner Williamson asked about procedures related to a person dropping off more than one ballot. Executive Director Bride explained that all vote by mail ballots are processed the same regardless of return method. Chairman Manning addressed the issue of all vote by mail ballots being processed the same. He verified that signature verification is done by a bipartisan team of election judges and that if many returned ballots from the same day did have several signature challenges, an investigation would be launched. Executive Director Bride stated all challenged voters are notified via mail and must provide identification to cure the challenge. Secretary Bartolo asked about the different ways Vote by Mail can be returned.

New Voting System Installation Update

Executive Director Bride told the board that acceptance testing was done with the Voting System and was ongoing with the new ePollbooks. He explained that the staff was working on integrating the systems together.

Report of the Attorney

No Report

New Business

The next monthly meeting will be held on June 14th at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Secretary Bartolo moved to adjourn. Commissioner Williamson seconded. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Monthly Expenses	Description	Amount	Acct #
Ameren	Gas & Electric	\$510.77	53600
Ludy's Cleaning	Office Cleaning	\$316.67	54367
Digital Copy Systems	Copier Lease	\$111.00	54380
Illinois American Water	Water for Brandywine	\$81.64	54363
GFL	Garbage Service	\$46.80	54366
Stratus	Phone Service	\$278.49	54320
Verizon	Wireless Phones	\$111.06	54338
Ziad A. Musaitif	April 2022 Rent & CAM	\$3,594.23	54390
	Total	\$5,050.66	

MISC			
Frank Farley (Quicksilver)	Printing Vote by Mail Cards	\$3,017.32	53081
Peoria Radon	1/2 Rack Conversion	\$9,750.00	55112
Intab	Seals (voting equipment)	\$403.49	53081
A Rifkin	Seals (bags)	\$147.13	53081
FedEx	Equipmnet Returns	\$256.06	53021
GFL	Dumpster Rental	\$799.00	53081
IACO	Spring Conference Registration	\$120.00	54000
VR Systems	Pollbooks/Printers/DirectPrint/Licenses	\$333,104.00	55112
Nixon Insurance	Bond	\$100.00	52210
Runbeck Election Services	Ballot Stock	\$8,100.00	53081
	Black Toner Cartridge - Pollbook		
Warehouse Direct	Printers	\$10,777.60	53081
Warehouse Direct	Office Supplies	\$92.38	52201
Warehouse Direct	Office Supplies	\$40.24	52201
	Total	\$366,707.22	

Pcard			
Gannett Newspaper	PJ Star Subscription	\$280.80	52203
Amazon	Lanyards	\$14.88	53081
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Amazon	Encrypted USB	\$93.88	53081
Amazon	Pollbook Printer Rolls	\$494.12	53021
		\$602.88	

Payroll			
Staff	4/22/2022	\$10,590.98	51031
Staff	4/8/2022	\$10,444.86	51031
Part-Time	4/22/2022	\$667.22	51040
Part-Time	4/8/2022	\$602.13	51040
Commissioners	4/22/2022	\$615.40	51145
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Medical Benefits	4/22/2022	\$2,924.80	51241
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	Total	\$29,385.59	

Total Expenditures \$401,746.35