



Board of Election Commissioners

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THE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF
THE CITY OF AURORA, KANE, KENDALL, AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

MEETING MINUTES
April 30, 2014

The Meeting of the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Aurora is convened by Chairman Leah Anderson at the Aurora Election Commission, 323 W. Galena Blvd, in Aurora, IL at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th day of April, 2014.

Commissioner Perry called the role. Present are Commissioners Anderson, McCoy, and Perry. Also in attendance is the Executive Director Linda Fechner and Attorney Mary Dickson. Guests in attendance for the meeting are Bill Barrett, Liberty Systems; Brian Caputo, City of Aurora Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer and Blanca Dominguez representative from City of Aurora Legal Department, and Fran Shaw.

The Meeting is opened with Commissioner Mike McCoy leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Fran Shaw ask to speak during the Public Comment She spoke on election night observations including Candidate Juan Thomas being in the counting room on election night along with precinct committeemen who may have also been on the ballot.

Commissioner McCoy moved to approve the Minutes of the March 26, 2014 Board Meeting and second by Commissioner Perry. Motion passed by voice vote.

Commissioner McCoy moved and Commissioner Perry seconded to approve the Bank Statements and place on file. On discussion on the recap page for the bank statement, it showed a potential overdraft status if the commission paid all of the bills due. The director said under approval of bills, she would further discuss some of the invoices. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Commissioner McCoy moved and second by Commissioner Perry to place on file the Commission Treasurer's Reports.

Commissioner McCoy motion to approve the Commission Bills and it is second by Commissioner Perry. The Commission account payable bills total \$126,156.05 and if all those bills were approved the commission could face an overdraft estimated to be \$47,927.41. The executive Director recommended holding four invoices, the largest being Votec's annual fee in the amount of \$27,501.99. This invoice would need a resolution to be approved and she had spoken to the Chairman to table that resolution. The other vendors have either agreed to wait until next month or have an understanding to be paid within the quarter. Aurora's CFO asked if the amounts would be in the report being sent over the next day and the director said yes. On the motion to approve the commission bills, Commissioner Perry called the roll call vote and Commissioners Anderson, Perry, and McCoy voted 'aye' and the motion carried 3-0.

Unfinished Business:

Executive Director Linda Fechner spoke on a few of the bills currently in the house and senate. Commissioner McCoy said he would like copies of information.

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He did not care that discussions were being held with executive director, county clerks, and executive directors of other commissions regarding bills that he review. The executive director said this practice has been going on for years and this year has only introduced the added conversations from Scott Marquardt.

Executive Director gave the final update for the 2014 General Primary results. The signed canvas was due to the state by the 19th of April so that the state may certify at their level. The polling places have now been paid. The staff will be looking for another polling place to replace the Wheatland School if the bill currently in the house does not become a public act in time for the November Election. It does not make sense to have the school as a polling place when it will cost the commission almost \$500.00 to have police on duty the entire day.

There was one discovery recount for the 16-3 judicial race on the Republican side. The Commission held their portion of the discovery recount on Monday April 28th. One ballot was in question as it was checked rather than to have the oval filled in. The results would have been exact if that ballot had been process. Kane County will start their portion the first full week in May.

The executive Director had been invited to the Board of Director's meeting held in Chicago. She gave a brief recap of the meeting including discussion from the federal level regarding election updates.

New Business:

The Memorandum of Understanding was tabled until next month. The commissioners asked for a copy of the MOU. Attorney Dickson said she would make sure it was provided to each commissioner the next day.

Resolution relating to the agreement with Votec was tabled as the resolution title and the invoice did not match.

Ordinance 2014-1 Approving the 2015 Budget with supporting paperwork was motioned to accept by Commissioner McCoy and second by Commissioner Anderson. This was approved at last month's meeting and this one included any changes to the original budget along with the supporting paperwork. Commissioner Perry took the roll and on a roll call vote Commissioners Anderson, McCoy, and Perry voted 'aye' and motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner McCoy asked if the director would be paying all of the invoices and she said no. He questioned why as the city would have funding it, and she replied she would only be paying the approved invoices.

The discussion on the discovery recap was given previously under the election recap.

Next scheduled Meeting will be Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 5:00 pm.

With no further business at hand Commissioner McCoy moved and seconded by Commissioner Anderson to adjourn to the May 28, 2014 Meeting. Meeting ended at 6:15 pm

/s/ Leah Anderson
Leah Anderson, Chairman

/s/ Michael McCoy
Michael McCoy, Vice-Chairman

/s/ Lillian Perry
Lillian Perry, Secretary