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Ms. Carolyn S. Gorup, Board of Elections;

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1                                   Wednesday Morning Session,  
2                                   October 25, 2017.

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4                                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It appears that  
5 we have a quorum, but I'm going to do the roll call  
6 just to make certain.

7                                   Kim Marinello.

8                                   MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

9                                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

10                                  MEMBER SEXTON: Here.

11                                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug Preisse.

12                                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

13                                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Brad Sinnott.

14                                  MEMBER SINNOTT: Here.

15                                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Indeed, we do  
16 have a quorum.

17                                  The first item on the agenda is the  
18 approval of the minutes from the October 2nd, 2017  
19 meeting. I believe these minutes were given to all  
20 of the Board members. If there are no additions,  
21 deletions, or corrections, I'd entertain a motion to  
22 approve the minutes.

23                                  MEMBER SEXTON: I move that the Board  
24 approve the minutes of the October 2nd, 2017 meeting  
25 of the Franklin County Board of Elections as

1 submitted.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
4 favor, signify by saying aye.

5 (Thereupon, all members voted  
6 affirmatively.)

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
8 sign.

9 (No response.)

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

11 The next item on the agenda is candidate  
12 withdrawals. Since the last meeting, we had a  
13 candidate for Reynoldsburg City Council, an  
14 independent candidate, Courtney Martin, and a  
15 candidate for Minerva Park Village Council, Erik  
16 Schultz, both sent e-mails to Jeff Mackey in Filings  
17 and Petitions, asking that they be withdrawn from the  
18 ballot. Everything appears to be in order with that.  
19 Because they came in after the deadline, they are on  
20 the ballot, but we have instructions on all of the  
21 voting machines that if anybody votes for them, that  
22 those votes would not count.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And you've attached an  
24 e-mail chain that would seem to confirm all of that.

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That's correct.

1                   MEMBER SINNOTT: We've acted on an e-mail  
2 request to withdraw in the past?

3                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is correct,  
4 yes.

5                   MEMBER SINNOTT: Do we do anything to  
6 confirm that the e-mail is actually coming from the  
7 candidate?

8                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: They called in in  
9 advance and talked to Jeff and let us know that they  
10 were sending these e-mails.

11                   MEMBER SINNOTT: Then I move that the  
12 Board accept the requests of Courtney Martin to  
13 withdraw as a candidate for Reynoldsburg City  
14 Council, and Erik Schultz to withdraw as a candidate  
15 for Minerva Park Village Council, and that their  
16 names shall not appear on the November 7th, 2017  
17 General Election Ballot.

18                   MEMBER SEXTON: Second.

19                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
20 favor, signify by saying aye.

21                   (Thereupon, all members voted  
22 affirmatively.)

23                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
24 sign.

25                   (No response.)

1 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

2 The next item on the agenda are voter  
3 registration challenges.

4 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Right.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And I'll turn it  
6 over to the Director for explanation there.

7 DIRECTOR LEONARD: On Friday,  
8 October 13th, the office received the Challenge  
9 Forms, Form 257 required by the Secretary of State's  
10 office, and those forms challenged 42 voters. 23 of  
11 those Challenge Forms were filed by Elberta Barnes of  
12 Urbancrest, and 19 of those Challenge Forms were  
13 filed by Donna Bogue also of Urbancrest.

14 The Deputy Director and I reviewed the  
15 Challenge Forms and determined that a hearing was  
16 appropriate and notified -- the hearing date was set  
17 for today, and all 42 challenged voters, and the  
18 challengers, Ms. Barnes and Ms. Bogue, were notified,  
19 were sent notification letters on Wednesday,  
20 October 18th, 2017.

21 The Board is required to send those  
22 notification letters not later than six days before  
23 the hearing and that statutory requirement was met.  
24 Each of those notification letters are -- each  
25 notification letter is a part of the packet that you

1 received as it relates to each challenged voter. And  
2 Suzanne Brown, from the Board, is available if you  
3 have any questions specifically about the  
4 notification letters.

5 But now that we're here for today's  
6 hearing, I've been informed that Elberta Barnes is  
7 not available to -- she is one of the challengers of  
8 23 of the registered voters -- she's not available  
9 today to participate in this.

10 I'm going to ask Ms. Bogue, if you would,  
11 Donna Bogue, she's the one that's related, if you  
12 would identify yourself for the court reporter.

13 MS. BOGUE: My name is Donna Bogue. I'm  
14 from the Village of Urbancrest.

15 DIRECTOR LEONARD: And what she's  
16 indicated is that Ms. Barnes' mother, is that --

17 MS. BOGUE: Ms. Barnes' mother passed  
18 away yesterday, so she's at the funeral home today,  
19 making arrangements for her mother.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So, as the  
21 challenger, she is not present. The Board is faced  
22 with the decision as to whether it wishes to proceed  
23 with the challenges or to postpone these challenges  
24 for a later date or after the election.

25 Again, all of the individuals were

1 notified.

2 Do we have any challenged voters who  
3 received a notice?

4 (No response.)

5 DIRECTOR LEONARD: I didn't believe so.  
6 I recognize everybody in the room. We don't have any  
7 challenged voters present. All challenged voters  
8 were notified of today's hearing. Again, I don't  
9 know if the Board, under the circumstances, wishes to  
10 postpone that.

11 Under the Ohio Revised Code, if the  
12 hearing regarding the challenges is postponed until  
13 after the election, the voters will be flagged as  
14 provisional voters so that they don't cast a ballot  
15 that cannot be -- if the Board were to determine  
16 after the election that a voter that was challenged  
17 was correctly challenged and should not have been  
18 allowed to vote, if they are not flagged as  
19 provisional, that vote could not be canceled.

20 MEMBER SINNOTT: I thought there was a  
21 statutory obligation to decide a challenge within a  
22 set number of days, which is why we're having the  
23 Special Meeting.

24 DIRECTOR LEONARD: The -- what's required  
25 in the statute is that the -- if the -- the challenge

1 must be filed not later than 20 days before an  
2 election. If it is filed within 30 days of the  
3 election, the Board has the option of postponing that  
4 hearing until after the election.

5           Given the size of the Village of  
6 Urbancrest and the fact that we've had very close  
7 elections in Urbancrest in the past, we felt the  
8 number of challenges ought to be addressed before the  
9 election to avoid a potential impact. That's why  
10 we're attempting to try and hold the meeting before  
11 the election. It can be postponed until after the  
12 election if the Board chooses to.

13           CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What are we materially  
14 potentially missing because Ms. Barnes is not here?  
15 That she might provide additional verbal commentary?

16           DIRECTOR LEONARD: Exactly. Her  
17 testimony.

18           MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. So I want to get  
19 back to the timeline for the decision under the  
20 statute. Because the challenge was received by the  
21 Board within 30 days of the next-scheduled election,  
22 we have no set number of days in which to act on the  
23 challenge.

24           DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct, because we  
25 can put that -- but then it must be held within 10

1 days after the election.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: That's the statute?

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Yes.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: So we can postpone a  
5 decision on the challenges made by Ms. Barnes until  
6 after the election, but we must act on the challenges  
7 within 10 days of the election?

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That is correct.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Within 10 days after  
10 the election.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: 10 days after the  
12 election.

13 MEMBER MARINELLO: But everyone will be  
14 allowed to vote provisional.

15 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct. All --

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: They will be  
17 flagged --

18 MEMBER MARINELLO: Can you walk me  
19 through --

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Are they -- go ahead.

21 MEMBER MARINELLO: Can you walk me  
22 through the provisional, like what exactly happens  
23 once a provisional gets back here. They check the  
24 address or what do they do?

25 DIRECTOR LEONARD: I'll ask Alicia, if

1 you can speak to that.

2 MS. HEALY: So when the provisional comes  
3 back, we basically check the address, make sure the  
4 address is, in fact, an address. And if we had a  
5 challenge on that particular address, we would note  
6 that, whether it was supposed to be at that  
7 particular address.

8 So say, for instance, if there was a  
9 challenge on that particular address when it came  
10 back, and that person voted or used that same address  
11 as the challenged address, we would have to bring  
12 that back to the Board. But if they voted at a  
13 different address, then we could count that.

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: It sounds as though the  
15 logical statutory scheme is that we couldn't count  
16 the provisional votes made by the challenged voters  
17 in the 2017 canvass until we decided whether the  
18 challenges were valid.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Right.

20 MS. HEALY: Right.

21 MEMBER SINNOTT: So the election would  
22 essentially be held open until we decided the  
23 challenges.

24 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Right. As with any  
25 unofficial results and official results, is that

1 until the challenge is determined, we wouldn't be  
2 able to finalize the count. But again, we'd still be  
3 able to certify it within the 21 days prior.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Do we act to consider  
5 those on here which are unresolved, because I notice  
6 there is a handful that are called "Resolved," do we  
7 act on this to consider these provisionals, or is the  
8 mere challenge sufficient to have placed these voters  
9 into a provisional status?

10 DIRECTOR LEONARD: At this stage, if the  
11 Board decides to hold the meeting after Election Day,  
12 then simply by virtue of having filed the challenge  
13 that person is flagged as provisional.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: As Alicia said,  
15 they're noted or flagged. Is that an electronic  
16 notation or do you paperclip something to their card  
17 or how --

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's electronic.

19 DIRECTOR LEONARD: It's electronic.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Because -- because --  
21 that's a good -- sounds like a good resolution as  
22 opposed to if everybody votes and then we find out  
23 that they weren't registered voters after.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: What scheduled meetings  
25 will we have in between now and 10 days after the

1 election?

2           DIRECTOR LEONARD: Right now we currently  
3 don't have a scheduled meeting during the period from  
4 Election Day until the 10 days, because typically we  
5 don't have a meeting during that time because  
6 provisional ballot voters have that 10-day window in  
7 which to correct any error on the provisional ballot.  
8 So we really don't begin our process, as a Board,  
9 until after -- after the 10-day period.

10           CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We have to meet within  
11 10 days to resolve these. What if we do that 8 days  
12 out and somebody has 10 days to fix it? I guess  
13 hopefully they would have come to the --

14           DIRECTOR LEONARD: We'll know by then if  
15 they actually cast a ballot or not.

16           MEMBER SINNOTT: My question was what  
17 regularly-scheduled meetings do we have between now  
18 and 10 days after the election?

19           DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We would have the  
20 meeting the day before the election --

21           MEMBER SINNOTT: That's what I thought.

22           DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: -- the 6th, to  
23 open the polls.

24           MEMBER SINNOTT: Well, I think we should  
25 try to avoid a special board meeting if we're going

1 to have a regularly-scheduled board meeting within  
2 the timeframe for a decision.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The only  
4 situation that could arise -- and up to this point,  
5 am I correct, that as far as we know we've looked  
6 through, nobody on this list has requested an  
7 absentee ballot and no one has voted in our Early  
8 Vote Center. You could have a situation where some  
9 of these people vote by absentee or in our Early Vote  
10 Center absentee and they're not flagged at present as  
11 a provisional voter, and then once they vote on a  
12 machine --

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. But another  
14 course is we can look at these today and make a  
15 determination based on the Board's -- based on the  
16 challenge and the Board's work that they are or are  
17 not eligible voters, right? In other words, we could  
18 resolve this, too, right?

19 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct. The  
20 notification letter to the challengers makes it clear  
21 that their attendance is not mandatory, but again, it  
22 appears that she was intending to attend but was  
23 unable to.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: I thought we heard a  
25 couple minutes ago that once there is an unresolved

1 challenge to a voter's status, that voter must vote  
2 provisionally. Is that not the case?

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: If you decide --

4 DIRECTOR LEONARD: If it's unresolved.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: -- if you decide  
6 to have the meeting after the election, we've decided  
7 to have it before the election, so that's --

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That's what I'm  
9 saying. If we walk away here today, having not -- if  
10 we adjourn right now, are these people flagged as  
11 provisional voters?

12 DIRECTOR LEONARD: If you indicate that  
13 you want to hear them after -- after the election,  
14 during the 10-day period after the election, those  
15 individuals would be flagged. All of them will be  
16 flagged.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I suppose it's logical  
18 to presume that Ms. Barnes would be here only to  
19 support her assertions and research and filing.

20 DIRECTOR LEONARD: And the Board would  
21 have the opportunity to make inquiry of her and the  
22 basis of her knowledge and so forth.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: But this document,  
24 Exhibit A, is not only a product drawn from her  
25 evidence, right?

1                   DIRECTOR LEONARD: No. It's actually  
2 drawn from the Board's effort.

3                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Right. So due  
4 diligence and research has been done based on the  
5 challenges. This is a Board document that's been  
6 populated with information from our due diligence;  
7 the Board's research. So I guess that's what I'm  
8 trying to say, I'm not sure we learn any more from  
9 Elberta.

10                  MEMBER SEXTON: But if she were here, she  
11 could present evidence in addition to what we already  
12 have.

13                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Could, I guess.

14                  MEMBER SINNOTT: I want to get back to  
15 our options here. So your advice to us is that if we  
16 decide to hear this at a date prior to the election,  
17 but later than today, then there's not going to be  
18 any flagging of the challenged voters as provisional  
19 voters. If we set the hearing on Ms. Barnes'  
20 challenges for the day after the election or beyond,  
21 then all of the challenged voters will be flagged as  
22 provisionals.

23                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: I -- yes, but I  
24 will say we had a conversation with Carrie Kuruc, the  
25 legal counsel for the Secretary of State, and

1 although the statute is pretty clear in that it says  
2 there are two options, you can either do nothing and  
3 leave these voters as they are, or you can --

4 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Actually, there are  
5 three. You can choose to take no action which the  
6 voter's record remains as unchanged, you can cancel  
7 the voter, or you can correct the record.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: But correcting  
9 the record is not in the statute. It's what her  
10 interpretation --

11 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Right.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So the Board has  
13 an option to do --

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What does "correct the  
15 record" mean?

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Flagging them as  
17 a provisional voter. But that's not in the statute.  
18 Flagging is not in the statute. But that's the  
19 Board's prerogative.

20 DIRECTOR LEONARD: And the conversation  
21 we had with legal counsel from the Secretary of  
22 State's office is we approached them on Monday with  
23 this issue is that how do we classify the employee --  
24 classify the voter without denying them the right to  
25 vote.

1           Because if you have a voter who moved,  
2           which many of these challenges are based on the fact  
3           that the voter moved, then if they're in another  
4           location within Franklin County or another county,  
5           they could vote provisional. But if they are  
6           canceled by the Board of Elections based on the  
7           challenge, that provisional won't be counted if they  
8           cast a vote somewhere else. And their suggested  
9           resolution was to flag the voter, so that the Board  
10          would correct the record to flag that voter as  
11          provisional.

12                 And so, in effect, if you postpone this  
13          until the 10 days after the election period, or if  
14          you choose to uphold the challenge, the result for  
15          both of those is going to be flagging the voter as a  
16          provisional voter.

17                 MEMBER MARINELLO: Even leaving as is,  
18          the first option, but because there's a challenge  
19          they'd still be flagged as a provisional. They're  
20          going to be provisional no matter what.

21                 MEMBER SINNOTT: I don't think it's what  
22          they're telling us now. They're telling us they're  
23          going to be flagged at provisionals only if we set  
24          the hearing date after the election.

25                 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Or you decide to hear

1 and uphold the challenge.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: Of course.

3 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Yeah.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yeah. Actually, if we  
5 uphold -- if we uphold the challenge, they're going  
6 to be canceled from the rolls anyway.

7 DIRECTOR LEONARD: And that was the  
8 conversation we had with the Secretary of State's  
9 office is that, by statute, you could cancel it, but  
10 canceling it then, if that voter shows up in another  
11 part of the county, they're required to vote  
12 provisional and that provisional wouldn't get  
13 counted.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Walk me through, and  
15 refresh my memory, please, all of ours, if there's a  
16 said voter marked as "moved" and does vote in Upper  
17 Arlington as opposed to Urbancrest and they vote a  
18 provisional ballot, walk me through the circumstances  
19 where that provisional ballot counts or doesn't  
20 count.

21 DIRECTOR LEONARD: If they're a canceled  
22 voter, it would not count. It would serve as -- it  
23 would serve as a new registration form, but --

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: For the next  
25 election.

1 MEMBER MARINELLO: For the next election.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. So we have a  
3 voter that's moved, but is still, according to our  
4 records, registered in Urbancrest and votes somewhere  
5 else in the county, what are the circumstances under  
6 which that provisional ballot would count?

7 DIRECTOR LEONARD: If the Board were to  
8 postpone this until after the election, then that  
9 person would be flagged as a provisional voter and  
10 that provisional vote would be counted, because they  
11 haven't voted in Urbancrest and they voted in another  
12 area in Franklin County, that vote would get counted.

13 If the Board upholds the challenge and  
14 flags that voter as provisional and they voted in  
15 Arlington or some other part of Franklin County, that  
16 vote would count as a valid provisional vote because  
17 they were registered somewhere else and they voted in  
18 another area.

19 The time it wouldn't count is if the  
20 Board upheld the challenge, we don't believe -- we've  
21 heard the evidence and we don't believe the voter  
22 lives there, and they attempted to vote at that  
23 Urbancrest address, at that point the Board would be  
24 presented with that provisional ballot and decide not  
25 to accept it.

1           MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. Well, I've heard  
2 enough so that in my mind, in order to fit within the  
3 round hole clearly ascribed by statute, if we decide  
4 not to go forward on Ms. Barnes' challenges today, we  
5 ought to set the matter for consideration after the  
6 election. That way we seem to have some clear  
7 statutory instruction about how to deal with these  
8 voters. It's just an observation and you can  
9 incorporate that into a motion later if that's our  
10 wish.

11           I'm interested now in the substance of  
12 the evidence that we have before us on these  
13 challenges from Ms. Barnes. What -- what do we have  
14 that would inform our decision on Ms. Barnes'  
15 challenges if we wanted to decide them today?

16           DIRECTOR LEONARD: You have solely the  
17 information on the Challenge Form in which she signs,  
18 under the penalty of election falsification, she  
19 signs the Challenge Form, stating that the individual  
20 has moved, and that's the extent of it.

21           CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Oh, I thought -- I  
22 thought Exhibit A was created -- the information on  
23 Exhibit A is only drawn from the Challenge Forms?

24           DIRECTOR LEONARD: No. I'll go through.  
25 On Exhibit A, the first column, the "Reason" column

1 is derived from the Challenge Form. The "Status" is  
2 derived by our staff from our voter registration  
3 system. The third column entitled "Last Voted,"  
4 that's derived from our voter registration system by  
5 the staff. The remaining "Challenger"; "First Name";  
6 "Last Name"; "Address"; and "City" columns, those are  
7 all derived from the Voter Challenge Form. And then,  
8 finally, there's columns entitled "Comments" and  
9 "Resolution" and those two columns are derived from  
10 the work of the staff.

11 There are five voters that were  
12 challenged that we have, based on the staff's  
13 research, been able to determine that those voters  
14 are no longer -- that the voters are registered in  
15 another address. One challenged voter who was  
16 challenged as deceased, that that voter is, in fact,  
17 deceased. We have received confirmation from the  
18 Bureau of Vital Statistics that that voter has died.

19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So I think it's  
20 fair to say on the ones that are not resolved, for  
21 instance the ones that have moved, the sole evidence  
22 would be the word of the person that filled these  
23 out. Because we sent out the letters, we don't have  
24 any other information in our research, they didn't  
25 say that they moved, we don't have any evidence that

1 they moved.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We have to send them a  
3 letter and that was done.

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We sent it to  
5 them. And if it comes back to us, that's an  
6 indication that it's not deliverable and they moved.  
7 However, six days doesn't always give you the time  
8 that we have to hold the hearing. You know what I  
9 mean? So there's a lot of these that will likely  
10 come back, but not -- we haven't received them yet.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We keep talking about  
12 Urbancrest and most of these say "Grove City." Is  
13 that a term of art or are these actually Grove City?

14 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Their mailing address  
15 is Grove City. 43123 is the mailing address for  
16 Urbancrest.

17 MR. LECKLIDER: Mr. Chairman, if I can  
18 say something in the case where the challenger is not  
19 present. Where the burden is on the challenger in  
20 making a decision as important as, you know, perhaps  
21 canceling somebody from the rolls here, you don't  
22 have the opportunity obviously to cross-examine --  
23 or, not cross-examine, but ask direct questions to  
24 the challenger. I think the cautious approach would  
25 be to wait until the challenger is present for that

1 purpose and others.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Wise counsel from a  
3 wise counsel.

4 MR. LECKLIDER: Excuse me?

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Wise counsel from a  
6 wise counselor, I guess should say.

7 MEMBER SINNOTT: Thank you,  
8 Mr. Lecklider.

9 So Ms. Barnes' challenges, how many can  
10 we confirm, through staff effort, no longer live  
11 where they're registered to vote?

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: I'm seeing two  
13 that are resolved from Ms. Barnes, correct?

14 MS. HEALY: Yes.

15 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Ones that are  
16 resolved.

17 MR. LECKLIDER: What about the matter  
18 involving Ms. Hisle? There's a notation about an out  
19 of state address. It's page 2; 4 down.

20 MS. HEALY: That one we would say to flag  
21 it because we received a National Change of Address,  
22 back in February, that stated that the person lived  
23 in another state.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: So we've already been  
25 notified that she is now registered to vote in

1 another state.

2 MS. HEALY: We have not received that she  
3 is actually registered in that state. We just have a  
4 National Change of Address.

5 MS. GORUP: National Change of Address.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And if we get a  
7 National Change of Address, we don't cancel  
8 somebody's registration. It goes eventually  
9 inactive, and then if they never vote again it  
10 eventually goes away, right?

11 MS. HEALY: Eventually.

12 MEMBER SINNOTT: We have received a  
13 document bearing Ms. Hisle's signature indicating  
14 that she now lives out of state?

15 MS. HEALY: We do not have anything, a  
16 cancelation or anything from the voter.

17 Carolyn, can you maybe explain that  
18 process, when the NCOA --

19 MS. GORUP: Well, the NCOA is the  
20 National Change of Address maintained by the Post  
21 Office, and a match is made against our voters to  
22 that list and we're notified where there is a match.

23 MEMBER SINNOTT: So the Post Office has  
24 told us that this voter now has an address out of  
25 state.

1 MS. GORUP: Right. But we don't know  
2 that they are intending to stay at that address.  
3 They may be intending to come back. So we send them  
4 a notice and then wait for them to do something.

5 MEMBER SINNOTT: Is the only notice sent  
6 to the challenged voter the one of October 18th,  
7 2017?

8 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Yes.

9 MEMBER SINNOTT: I notice that one thing  
10 this letter doesn't do is invite the voter to submit  
11 to the Board, in advance of the scheduled hearing,  
12 any evidence regarding the voter's status.

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Would you say that  
14 again, please?

15 MEMBER SINNOTT: The letter says that you  
16 have the right to appear at this meeting, to present  
17 evidence, but it doesn't tell the challenged voter  
18 that he has an opportunity to submit evidence in  
19 advance of the hearing. So the fact that we haven't  
20 received anything from any of these challenged voters  
21 is not surprising.

22 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Well, by the statute,  
23 the notice shall inform the person of the time and  
24 date of the hearing and of the person's right to  
25 appear and testify and call witnesses and be

1 represented by counsel.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: I think the letter  
3 reflects the statute; it just doesn't tell people  
4 that if you want to write a letter saying I live at  
5 this address, that that is an option.

6 DIRECTOR LEONARD: We can certainly  
7 modify that in the future, the Board notices, to  
8 reflect that.

9 So as it relates to the two Elberta  
10 Barnes' challenges relating to Gladys Curry, who is  
11 deceased according to our records that the Board  
12 received notice, that the Board can dismiss that or  
13 move to dismiss that one. As well as the challenge  
14 against Michael Curtis, Jr., as our records determine  
15 that he, in fact, moved to another address.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Moved to another  
17 address, but not registered at the new address.

18 DIRECTOR LEONARD: No. He's registered  
19 to vote, according to our records, at the new  
20 address. So those two are resolved.

21 As to the challenge filed by Ms. Barnes  
22 against Colleen Hisle, the staff showed the NCOA.

23 MEMBER SINNOTT: When you use the term  
24 "resolved," there's no resolution until there's Board  
25 action, right?

1 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Well, why would  
3 we have to act on Michael Curtis if he has moved and  
4 he has registered at the new address?

5 DIRECTOR LEONARD: It's a challenge --

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Oh, I see. Because  
7 there's a challenge, we have to dismiss it. Got it.  
8 Got it.

9 DIRECTOR LEONARD: And then as to  
10 Ms. Bogue's challenges. She's present. I don't know  
11 if the Board would wish to proceed on those, postpone  
12 those.

13 There is at least one set of challenges  
14 that Ms. Bogue's filed that all relate to the same  
15 circumstance and that is that there were 10  
16 registered voters challenged by Ms. Bogue that all,  
17 at one time or another, resided at an extended stay  
18 hotel called WoodSpring Suites. And the challenge to  
19 that, to all those voters, were related to -- had a  
20 letter from the General Manager of that hotel,  
21 stating that those individuals no longer resided  
22 there, so.

23 MEMBER SEXTON: It seems one of those has  
24 been --

25 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Should we --

1 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Yes, one of those has  
2 been resolved.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Because Ms. Bogue is  
4 here, should we take these separately and decide what  
5 to do with Elberta and then move on to Donna?

6 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Yes.

7 MEMBER SINNOTT: You are telling us that  
8 as to the deceased and the voter who has moved and  
9 registered at another address, the challenges are  
10 properly denied as to those two?

11 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Yeah, you deny the  
12 challenge.

13 MEMBER SINNOTT: Deny the challenge.

14 I move to deny the challenges as to  
15 Gladys Curry and Michael Curtis, on the ground that  
16 in the case of Ms. Curry, she is deceased, and in the  
17 case of Mr. Curtis, he has a new voting address  
18 registered with the Board

19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: There's been a  
20 motion to deny the challenge for Gladys Curry and for  
21 Michael Curtis. Is there a second?

22 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

23 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
24 favor, signify by saying aye.

25 (Thereupon, all members voted

1 affirmatively.)

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
3 sign.

4 (No response.)

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

6 MEMBER SINNOTT: As to all other  
7 challenges in which Elberta Barnes is the challenger  
8 set for consideration today, because of Ms. Barnes'  
9 unavailability due to a death in the family, I move  
10 that the Board continue action on those challenges  
11 until a date that the Board will set in the future,  
12 but after the 2017 General Election.

13 MEMBER SEXTON: Second.

14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
15 favor, signify by saying aye.

16 (Thereupon, all members voted  
17 affirmatively.)

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
19 sign.

20 (No response.)

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: To confirm our  
23 understanding, that places those remaining Elberta  
24 Barnes' challenges as marked as provisional.

25 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct. By statute

1 they'll be marked provisional by virtue of the  
2 Board's action to postpone the hearing until the  
3 10-day period after the next election.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Now, then. Ms. Bogue  
5 is here and I think we should hear from her.

6 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Then within the  
7 packets you have, it would take you to Erin Bender is  
8 the first voter that on our list is challenged by  
9 Ms. Bogue.

10 And on this particular challenge, Alicia  
11 Healy, the Assistant Manager of the Voter Services  
12 Division, can explain their findings with regard to  
13 their research relating to Erin Bender.

14 MS. HEALY: So Erin Bender is now living  
15 in Licking County. So that pretty much has been  
16 resolved. But we also want to restrict that  
17 particular address because per Matt Rushey, who is  
18 our mapping person, that address does not exist.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The Franklin County  
20 address?

21 MS. HEALY: Yes.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You say you want to  
23 restrict it. Is that the same as saying place it in  
24 provisional status?

25 MS. HEALY: No. The address, itself, to

1 basically remove it on our system, so that no one  
2 else could register at that particular address.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Oh.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: You just do that as a  
5 staff function.

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That's correct.

7 MEMBER SINNOTT: That doesn't require  
8 Board action.

9 MS. HEALY: Yes.

10 DIRECTOR LEONARD: So on that action, to  
11 deny the -- deny the challenge based on the fact the  
12 voter has already moved.

13 MEMBER SINNOTT: I think there are --  
14 there's more than one, if that's the case, where we  
15 have confirmation the voter has moved.

16 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct. Marcus  
17 Martin, Alice Belle, and John McElhinny, have all  
18 been, by virtue of the research of the Board staff,  
19 have been determined to have already moved to --  
20 well, I shouldn't say that.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Can we hear from  
22 Ms. Bogue? Donna?

23 MS. BOGUE: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Hi, Donna. Would you  
25 come up. Feel free to use the podium and -- or

1 lecturn, I think, more accurately stated.

2 (Witness sworn.)

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Would you state your  
4 name and address for the record.

5 MS. BOGUE: Donna Bogue. 2671 Main  
6 Street, Urbancrest, Ohio.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: So tell us, if you  
8 will, what brings you here today. We know what  
9 brings you here today, but give us some context.

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11 DONNA BOGUE

12 presented herself as a public witness, and being  
13 first duly sworn, testified as follows:

14 DIRECT TESTIMONY

15 MS. BOGUE: Okay. What led me to get  
16 involved at all in trying to make sure our voter  
17 registration was correct in our district was  
18 rumors -- and they are rumors, I don't have proof of  
19 this -- of past voter fraud in our district. People  
20 registering to vote at empty houses; family members  
21 and friends coming in and voting to get people  
22 elected. And since --

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I'm sorry. When you  
24 say "district," are you sort of talking about  
25 Urbancrest?

1 MS. BOGUE: In the Urbancrest  
2 neighborhood, right.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. As it relates  
4 to Urbancrest elections?

5 MS. BOGUE: Right. Exactly. Since I'm  
6 running this year, I want it to be as aboveboard as  
7 possible of course.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: What are you running  
9 for again?

10 MS. BOGUE: I'm running for Council. So  
11 I asked my husband, which is our Code Enforcement  
12 Officer in Urbancrest, to give me a list of any  
13 vacant houses or properties that are no such  
14 addresses, and then we matched that to the  
15 registration list that we have from the Board's  
16 website, and that's where we come up with part of the  
17 list.

18 We knew that the number of people at the  
19 hotel that was registered seemed to be quite a few,  
20 so we inquired there as well, and got the letter that  
21 you have in your packets, stating that those people  
22 no longer reside there.

23 Now, I understand from hearing you speak  
24 about provisional ballots, for the people that moved  
25 from the hotel, it obviously would be best to hold

1     them as provisional so if they did move somewhere  
2     else they'd have a chance to vote, but yet would be  
3     excluded from Urbancrest's vote.

4             The ones that are vacant, in  
5     uninhabitable houses or houses that have been  
6     demolished or not such address, I would like the  
7     record to reflect that because currently there are  
8     people that are registered at those addresses,  
9     whether there be an address there or not, or a house,  
10    or an uninhabitable house.

11            So I actually have mine broke down into  
12    two separate lists: One that was from the hotel and  
13    the second list I have is -- we have additional  
14    pictures as well that show holes in the roofs and  
15    broken windows and vacant lots and such, if you would  
16    like to have that.

17            DIRECTOR LEONARD: In each of your forms  
18    for the Challenge Forms that you completed, on a  
19    number of them you reference "per the Code  
20    Enforcement Officer."

21            MS. BOGUE: "Per the Code Enforcement  
22    Officer." That was before I had been out, door to  
23    door, knocking myself, and seeing some of these on a  
24    personal level. But he is here as well if you have  
25    any questions for him. He has an updated list of

1 what properties are vacant and what properties have  
2 delapidated structures with nobody in them, no such  
3 address exists, he has that information as well.

4 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Of all of the 19  
5 Challenge Forms that were filed by Ms. Bogue, seven  
6 of them are relating to either a vacant lot, a  
7 vacant -- a vacant structure, a distressed,  
8 dilapidated structure.

9 The remaining of her challenges, there's  
10 a couple that were listed as no such address existed,  
11 and then the remaining were the hotel, the  
12 extended-stay hotel voters.

13 MS. BOGUE: Right.

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: Ms. Bogue, do you have  
15 what is Exhibit A for this meeting before you?

16 MS. BOGUE: I have only my own papers. I  
17 don't have what you have listed as an exhibit.

18 MEMBER SINNOTT: Dave, would you hand her  
19 Exhibit A. I think this would make it more  
20 efficient.

21 Ms. Bogue, I'd like you to look at the  
22 second page of Exhibit A.

23 MS. BOGUE: Okay.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: Take note of the  
25 challenges that relate to the individuals between

1 Erin Bender and Twanda Brown.

2 MS. BOGUE: Okay.

3 MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. Can you tell us  
4 that you have visited each of the addresses shown for  
5 those currently-registered voters within the last  
6 three months?

7 MS. BOGUE: Within the last month I can  
8 tell you that I have been to -- I'm looking at the  
9 addresses and referencing with my list now -- that of  
10 course the ones that had no such address -- 3502,  
11 that's moved, okay, yeah.

12 2671 is my house. I don't think that's  
13 the correct address for Twanda Brown.

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: The question is, have  
15 you visited each of these addresses within the last  
16 three months?

17 MS. BOGUE: Yes, I have visited these  
18 addresses this past month. But Twanda Brown's  
19 address needs to be corrected to 3735 Third Avenue.

20 DIRECTOR LEONARD: That is the address  
21 that she has on the Challenge Form for Twanda Brown.

22 MS. BOGUE: But on your Exhibit A you  
23 have my home address.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: So as to Twanda Brown,  
25 there is an error on Exhibit A. The staff has

1 inserted your address in place of the challenged  
2 address for Twanda Brown; is that correct?

3 MS. BOGUE: Right.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: And the challenged  
5 address is 3735 --

6 MS. BOGUE: Third Avenue.

7 MEMBER SINNOTT: -- Third Avenue.

8 I'll direct your attention over to the  
9 left, the left-hand column that is labeled "Reason."

10 MS. BOGUE: Uh-huh.

11 MEMBER SINNOTT: Take note of the  
12 description of the address for the registered voter.  
13 Based on your personal observation, having visited  
14 each of these addresses, does Exhibit A contain a  
15 correct description of what you saw?

16 MS. BOGUE: Let me take a look here real  
17 quick. I'm just making sure that I'm telling you  
18 correctly.

19 MEMBER SINNOTT: Please do.

20 MS. BOGUE: By verifying with the  
21 pictures that I have and the houses I am familiar  
22 with, these are the actual addresses on the form,  
23 Exhibit A. The Vincent Wallace property has been  
24 demolished. There is new construction going on  
25 there, but there's no inhabitation permit been issued

1 yet, so.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: Well, based on your  
3 observation, is the new structure being constructed  
4 yet habitable?

5 MS. BOGUE: No. That's what I'm saying.  
6 They're just starting to really get the outside  
7 built.

8 MEMBER SINNOTT: The question is, does  
9 the "Reason" column --

10 MS. BOGUE: Yes.

11 MEMBER SINNOTT: -- correctly describe  
12 what you witnessed?

13 MS. BOGUE: Yes. I verified personally  
14 myself that those are true and fact.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Which address is the  
16 one where there's construction? Is that the Belle  
17 residence?

18 MS. BOGUE: It's the Vincent Wallace at  
19 3386 Second. I think someone else has bought that  
20 property --

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Oh, I see.  
22 "Demolished."

23 MS. BOGUE: -- and the previous property  
24 that Mr. Wallace owned had been demolished and the  
25 new owners are constructing a new house.

1                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: How do you know  
2 there's new owners?

3                   MS. BOGUE: Did you get the information  
4 from the --

5                   MR. BOGUE: I guess I need to present my  
6 information as well.

7                   CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Well, I mean, just  
8 theoretically, Mr. Wallace could have torn down the  
9 house and is building a new one.

10                  MS. BOGUE: Right.

11                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: But you used the term  
12 "new owner" so it sounds like --

13                  MS. BOGUE: That was my understanding  
14 that a new owner had come in and got a permit to  
15 demolish the house and the office. As I've been up  
16 there volunteering --

17                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And this gentleman is  
18 the Code Inspector for the --

19                  MS. BOGUE: Yeah. I'm not sure if he has  
20 that direct information or not.

21                  MR. BOGUE: I'm the Code Enforcement  
22 Officer for the Village of Urbancrest. My name is  
23 Randall Bogue.

24                  CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Are you related to  
25 anybody in the room?

1 MR. BOGUE: Yes.

2 (Laughter.)

3 MR. BOGUE: I've been in the position for  
4 about a year and a half now.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We better have you  
6 sworn.

7 (Witness sworn.)

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. I'm sorry. Go  
9 ahead.

10 - - -

11 RANDALL BOGUE

12 presented himself as a public witness, and being  
13 first duly sworn, testified as follows:

14 DIRECT TESTIMONY

15 MR. BOGUE: I've been in the position for  
16 about a year and a half now. I do monthly  
17 inspections, looking for any violations of the  
18 ordinances within the Village, and I have to write up  
19 any properties that do not meet the specifications on  
20 that.

21 This particular property, when it was in  
22 the dilapidated condition, as my wife just stated, it  
23 was purchased by a new owner. I do also check  
24 monthly for any properties that do have violations, I  
25 check against the Auditor's records to verify the

1 owner, so I can send information to the owners of the  
2 violations. This property is under a new owner; it  
3 has been transferred.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: 3386 Second Avenue,  
5 you have seen and have evidence that it's no longer  
6 owned by this Vincent Wallace.

7 MR. BOGUE: That is correct. According  
8 to the Auditor's page.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The County Auditor.

10 MR. BOGUE: Correct.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Ed, you did ask if  
12 there were any challenged voters present, but you  
13 recognize everybody in the room as we all almost do.

14 DIRECTOR LEONARD: As our staff or  
15 otherwise visitors, but not challenged voters,  
16 correct.

17 MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. Ms. Bogue, would  
18 you direct your attention to Exhibit A, pages 2 and  
19 3. The challenged voters that appear between Matthew  
20 King and Craig Fierle.

21 MS. BOGUE: Yes.

22 MEMBER SINNOTT: Would you tell us what  
23 you know about those challenged voters.

24 MS. BOGUE: I know that the owner of the  
25 hotel has sent a letter, which you should have a copy

1 of, stating that none of these residents currently  
2 reside at this address.

3 DIRECTOR LEONARD: I should correct that.  
4 It's the General Manager that signed the letter.

5 MEMBER SINNOTT: What do you know about  
6 the origin of that letter?

7 MS. BOGUE: What do I know about the  
8 origins of it?

9 MEMBER SINNOTT: Uh-huh.

10 MS. BOGUE: I know that the -- it was  
11 inquired by the group of us that we're looking into  
12 these addresses and he said he would go over the list  
13 of people that was on the registered voters list.

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: Are you describing a  
15 conversation you had with the General Manager?

16 MS. BOGUE: No, I'm not. I believe it  
17 was Ms. Elberta Barnes that had that conversation.  
18 The only reason I asked Ms. Barnes to sign the  
19 Challenge Forms that she signed because she knew  
20 those people personally had moved because she's a  
21 lifelong resident of the neighborhood, and I was  
22 willing to sign the ones based on documented  
23 evidence.

24 DIRECTOR LEONARD: I know the Deputy  
25 Director will speak to that letter as well.

1           DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: On October 18th,  
2 I called and spoke with Ray Dalton, who is the  
3 General Manager of WoodSpring Suites. We went over  
4 these 10 names to confirm that at one time they  
5 resided at the WoodSpring Suites and that they no  
6 longer reside there and, as far as he knew, they had  
7 no intention of returning.

8           MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. That's good.

9           Ms. Bogue, so you prompted Ms. Barnes to  
10 inquire of the hotel management about voters  
11 registered at the hotel, correct?

12          MS. BOGUE: We were all kind of working  
13 on the project together. I asked my husband, the  
14 Code Enforcement Officer, to give me a list of the  
15 vacant properties and stuff, I asked Ms. Barnes if  
16 she would see about the hotel and anybody that she  
17 knew personally because I know she's a lifelong  
18 resident, and we would get together with the list.  
19 And I e-mailed the full list up to Alicia, I think.

20          MS. HEALY: Yes.

21          MS. BOGUE: Then we followed that up with  
22 the Challenge Forms, and broke them down by people  
23 she personally knew had moved, and the addresses that  
24 I could document had either moved or the properties  
25 that were no address, vacant land, that type of

1 thing.

2 MEMBER SINNOTT: So you know nothing  
3 about Ms. Barnes having communication with hotel  
4 management.

5 MS. BOGUE: I only know what she told me.

6 MEMBER SINNOTT: What did she tell you?

7 MS. BOGUE: She told me she had a  
8 conversation with him and he drafted that letter  
9 based on matching it up with the voter's  
10 registration.

11 MEMBER SINNOTT: Okay. And then, David,  
12 you added a moment ago that you spoke to hotel  
13 management and -- who did you speak to?

14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Ray Dalton.

15 MEMBER SINNOTT: Ray Dalton.

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The General  
17 Manager.

18 MEMBER SINNOTT: And he orally confirmed  
19 to you the correctness of the October 3 letter?

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Yes, and that he  
21 wrote it, yes, or signed it.

22 MEMBER SINNOTT: All right.

23 MS. BOGUE: I just want the record to  
24 reflect that the correct voters are allowed to vote  
25 in our district, and if people have either moved on

1 that they could obviously be allowed to vote  
2 provisionally where they should be allowed to vote,  
3 that they're not coming back into our neighborhood  
4 and voting for their friends and relatives as has  
5 happened in the past. And I'm not saying, accusing  
6 any of these people of having done so, so I don't  
7 know if they would do that or not, but I don't want  
8 to have any loopholes left unfilled, you know, took  
9 care of.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Three of these "Not  
11 Living at Hotel" voters did vote in last year's  
12 General Election according to Exhibit A. I think  
13 they may have been living there and moved on.

14 DIRECTOR LEONARD: David, you may want to  
15 speak to that.

16 MEMBER SEXTON: One of them has already  
17 moved to another address.

18 DIRECTOR LEONARD: You may want to speak  
19 to that, because there was -- part of the  
20 conversation you related to me with the General  
21 Manager reflected the length of time some of them --

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Some of them had  
23 moved over a year ago, and some had moved within the  
24 last six months, but he confirmed that no one was  
25 there now, and as far as he knew no one had the

1 intention of returning. And if some of them  
2 returned, they would not be allowed to return, was  
3 the comment he made.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Would somebody on staff  
5 translate the notation in the "Comments" column on  
6 Marcus Martin.

7 MS. HEALY: So because that address  
8 doesn't exist, that voter should not be at that  
9 address. So we could do, to resolve that, to  
10 cancel -- either cancel the voter. Even if you put  
11 it in a provisional state, I mean we could do it as a  
12 provisional, but he could not use that address on the  
13 provisional envelope because it doesn't exist and we  
14 would need to restrict that address. To restrict it,  
15 we would have to cancel it.

16 MEMBER SINNOTT: Restricting the address  
17 is a staff function; it doesn't require Board action.

18 MS. HEALY: Right.

19 DIRECTOR LEONARD: But in terms of  
20 determining that wasn't a valid address -- the voter  
21 should have never been registered because the address  
22 is not a valid address. Therefore, cancelation would  
23 be a proper action if there's a sufficient finding.

24 MEMBER SINNOTT: Relative to Erin Bender,  
25 Alice Belle, and John McElhinny, the staff can report

1 that we know of new addresses for those three  
 2 individuals, correct?

3 MS. HEALY: Correct.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Then consistent with  
 5 what we just did relative to certain challenges made  
 6 by Ms. Barnes, I move that we deny the challenge as  
 7 to Erin Bender, Alice Belle, and John McElhinny.

8 MEMBER MARINELLO: I'll second that.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
 10 favor of the motion to deny Erin Bender, Alice Belle,  
 11 and Mr. McElhinny, signify by saying aye.

12 (Thereupon, all members voted  
 13 affirmatively.)

14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
 15 sign.

16 (No response.)

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

18 MS. BOGUE: I know this may not be my  
 19 place, but I would like to ask a question about what  
 20 you just did. When you denied those ones, are they  
 21 then going to be removed from Urbancrest's list as  
 22 well, voters list?

23 DIRECTOR LEONARD: Well, they won't be --

24 MS. BOGUE: They said they verified they  
 25 had new addresses, but if they're still on the voters

1 registration list in Urbancrest and they come in to  
 2 vote --

3 MS. HEALY: They're no longer --

4 MS. GORUP: They're no longer on the  
 5 Urbancrest rolls.

6 MS. BOGUE: That was my question. Thank  
 7 you very much.

8 MS. GORUP: Unless their new address is  
 9 in Urbancrest.

10 MS. BOGUE: Right. I understand that.

11 MEMBER SINNOTT: And then based on the  
 12 challenges filed by Ms. Bogue, her testimony, the  
 13 testimony of the Urbancrest Code Enforcement Officer,  
 14 and the lack of any response to the challenges by the  
 15 challenged voters, I would move that we sustain the  
 16 challenges to Beverly Fair, Robert Galloway, Vincent  
 17 Wallace, William Belle, Deontae Belle -- I misspoke.  
 18 Remove Alice Belle from that list.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You didn't say Alice  
 20 Belle.

21 MEMBER SINNOTT: I didn't?

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You didn't.

23 MEMBER SINNOTT: All right.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: You said William  
 25 and Deontae.

1 MEMBER SINNOTT: William Belle, Deontae  
 2 Belle, Twanda Brown, Matthew King, James Malloy,  
 3 Tonia Marcum, Racheal McDaniels, Rosezena Smith,  
 4 Scott Snyder, Samantha Trimble, Bernard Dillon, and  
 5 Craig Fierle.

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And that was in  
 7 the form of a motion?

8 MEMBER SINNOTT: It was.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Is there a  
 10 second?

11 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
 13 favor of the motion, signify by saying aye.

14 (Thereupon, all members voted  
 15 affirmatively.)

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those  
 17 opposed, same sign.

18 (No response.)

19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

20 MS. BOGUE: Thank you very much. I'll  
 21 leave your copy of Exhibit A up here.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you, Ms. Bogue.  
 23 I don't think any Board members have any more  
 24 questions for you, so thank you, and Mr. Bogue.

25 MS. BOGUE: Thank you very much.

1                   MEMBER SINNOTT: We will need then to set  
2 a date after the election and hear Ms. Barnes'  
3 challenges that were not disposed of today, but we  
4 don't have to do this at the moment.

5                   DIRECTOR LEONARD: Correct. We'll  
6 determine a suitable time for that.

7                   DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The next  
8 regularly-scheduled board meeting is Monday,  
9 November 6th, correct?

10                  DIRECTOR LEONARD: At 3:00 p.m.

11                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: That's the day  
12 before the election.

13                  DIRECTOR LEONARD: We normally hold that  
14 at 3:00 p.m.

15                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Is there any more  
16 business to come before the Board? If not, I'd  
17 entertain a motion to adjourn.

18                  MEMBER MARINELLO: So moved.

19                  MEMBER SINNOTT: Second.

20                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All those in  
21 favor, signify by saying aye.

22                                 (Thereupon, all members voted  
23 affirmatively.)

24                  DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed, same  
25 sign.

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(No response.)

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries.

(Thereupon, at 11:13 a.m., the Board meeting was adjourned.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Wednesday, October 25, 2017, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

*Carolyn M. Burke*

Carolyn M. Burke, Registered Professional Reporter, and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio.

My commission expires July 17, 2018.

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EXHIBIT A									
REASON	STATUS	LAST VOTED	CHALLENGER	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	ADDRESS	CITY	COMMENTS	RESOLUTION
Church	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	John	Wallace	3567 First Ave	Grove City		
Deceased	Deceased	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Gladys	Curry	3333 Second Ave	Urbancrest	Voter's status is Deceased	Resolved
Moved	Inactive	NEVER	Elberta Barnes	Stacy	Shepherd	3527 Third Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Maurice	Quinichett	3818 Second Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Inactive	NEVER	Elberta Barnes	Nathaniel	Collins	3742 Second Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Tonya	Hitchens	3734 Third Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2012	Elberta Barnes	Alexandria	Wiggins	2680 Main St	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Kateeb	Rivers	3665 First Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Michael	Curtis	3455 First Ave	Grove City	Voter has new address as of 8/17	Resolved
Moved	Active	G2015	Elberta Barnes	Stephanie	Larkins	3606 Central Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Inactive	G2010	Elberta Barnes	Aaron	Turner	3521 Central Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	NEVER	Elberta Barnes	Leo	Webb	3360 Central Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Inactive	G2012	Elberta Barnes	Larry	Starr	3360 Central Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2016	Elberta Barnes	Nuria	Ibrahim	2841 Augustus Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	G2015	Elberta Barnes	Forrest	Nobleton	3361 Central Ave	Grove City		
Doesn't Live There	Active	G2011	Elberta Barnes	Ernest	Evans	3642 First Ave	Grove City		

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Moved	Inactive	G2012	Elberta Barnes	Ceasare	Valentine	3527 Fourth Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Active	NEVER	Elberta Barnes	Ailee	Toles	3527 Fourth Ave	Grove City		
Moved	Inactive	G2012	Elberta Barnes	Steven	Toles	3527 Fourth Ave	Grove City		
Vacant Property	Inactive	G2015	Elberta Barnes	Colleen	Hisle	3600 Third Ave	Grove City	NCOA 2/17 listed out of state address flag to cast provisional ballot	
Vacant Property	Inactive	G2015	Elberta Barnes	Samuel	Hisle	3600 Third Ave	Grove City		
Vacant Property	Active	P2014	Elberta Barnes	David	Dobbins	2844 Maple St	Grove City		
Vacant Property	Inactive	NEVER	Elberta Barnes	Antonyo	Worthy	3383 Central Ave	Grove City		
No Such Address	Merged	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Erin	Bender	3502 Second Ave	Grove City	Voter's status is Merged moved to Licking County address will be restricted	Resolved
No Such Address	Inactive	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Marcus	Martin	3587 Fourth Ave, C	Grove City	Voter should be removed and address will be restricted	Cancel
Vacant Lot	Inactive	G2005	Donna Bogue	Beverly	Fair	3561 Central Ave	Grove City		
Vacant Lot	Inactive	G2008	Donna Bogue	Robert	Galloway	3561 Central Ave	Grove City		
Demolished	Active	G2016	Donna Bogue	Vincent	Wallace	3386 Second Ave	Grove City		
Uninhabitable	Inactive	G2008	Donna Bogue	William	Belle	3371 Second Ave	Grove City		
Uninhabitable	Active	G2013	Donna Bogue	Alice	Belle	3371 Second Ave	Grove City	Voter has new address as of 10/17	Resolved
Vacant House	Active	G2016	Donna Bogue	Deontae	Belle	3381 Second Ave	Grove City		
Vacant House	Inactive	G2008	Donna Bogue	Twanda	Brown	2671 Main St	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Inactive	G2012	Donna Bogue	Matthew	King	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	G2016	Donna Bogue	James	Malloy	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		

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Not Living at Hotel	Active	G2016	Donna Bogue	Tonia	Marcum	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Racheal	McDaniels	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	YES	Donna Bogue	John	McElhinny	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City	Voter has new address as of 10/17	Resolved
Not Living at Hotel	Inactive	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Rosezena	Smith	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	G2012	Donna Bogue	Scott	Snyder	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Samantha	Trimble	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Inactive	NEVER	Donna Bogue	Bernard	Dillon	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		
Not Living at Hotel	Active	G2016	Donna Bogue	Craig	Fierle	3205 Centerpoint Dr	Grove City		