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THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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Regular Meeting. :

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August 2, 2021

PROCEEDINGS OF

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

before Chairman Douglas J. Preisse, Director Antone White, Deputy Director David Payne, and Board Members Kimberly E. Marinello, Michael Sexton, and Josh Jaffe, on Monday, August 2, 2021, beginning at approximately 3:06 p.m., and concluding at approximately 3:11 p.m.

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APPEARANCES:

FRANKLIN COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE
Amy L. Hiers, Esquire
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On behalf of the Board.

ALSO PRESENT:

Erin Gibbons
Jeff Mackey

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Monday Afternoon Session
August 2, 2021
3:06 p.m.

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It appears that we have a quorum, but I'll take roll to make sure.

Kim Marinello.

MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

MEMBER SEXTON: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug Preisse.

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh Jaffe.

MEMBER JAFFE: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We do indeed have a quorum. Welcome to an in-person meeting. It's good to see all of you in person and not virtually. Although, it was nice to see you virtually as well.

The first item on the agenda is the approval of the minutes of the May 25th, June 10th, and July 6th meetings.

Are there any corrections,

1 additions, deletions? If not, I would entertain a
2 motion to approve those minutes.

3 MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
4 move the Board approve the minutes of the May 24th,
5 June 10th, and July 6th meetings of the Franklin
6 County Board of Elections as submitted.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All in favor
9 of the motion signify by saying aye.

10 Kim Marinello.

11 MEMBER MARINELLO: Aye.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

13 MEMBER SEXTON: Aye.

14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug
15 Preisse.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Aye.

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh
18 Jaffe.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Aye.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
21 carries.

22 The next item on the agenda is the
23 Franklin County Municipal Court appointment. And
24 I'll call on Jeff Mackey to discuss that.

25 MR. MACKEY: Thank you.

1 On May 26th the Board received from
2 Judge David Tyack a letter indicating that he
3 wished to withdraw as a candidate for the Franklin
4 County Municipal Court. Subsequently, his
5 committee of five on his nominating petition
6 submitted to us a replacement candidate, Laura
7 Nesbitt. We received that on July 15th. The
8 deadline to file a replacement for a candidate who
9 has withdrawn is August 9th, so it was timely. And
10 the names were on here and notarized and it looked
11 good to us.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: So
13 everything appears to be in order?

14 MR. MACKEY: It does.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Very well.

16 MEMBER JAFFE: I move that the
17 Franklin County Board of Elections accept the
18 nomination of Laura Nesbitt as candidate for
19 Franklin County Municipal Court, full term
20 commencing January 9, 2022, and that her name will
21 appear on the November 2nd, 2021 General Election
22 ballot.

23 MEMBER SEXTON: Second.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
25 properly moved and seconded. I will take roll.

1 Kim Marinello.

2 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

4 MEMBER SEXTON: Yes.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug

6 Preisse.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh

9 Jaffe.

10 MEMBER JAFFE: Yes.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion

12 carries.

13 The next item on the agenda is to
14 open the polls for tomorrow's special primary
15 election beginning at 6:30 and then closing the
16 polls at 7:30. We typically do that at this Board
17 meeting. So if anybody would be so inclined to
18 open the polls for tomorrow morning, that would be
19 great.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That would be a
21 good idea.

22 MEMBER SEXTON: Mr. Chairman, I move
23 that the polls be declared open on Tuesday, August
24 3rd, 2021, for the Special Election beginning at
25 6:30 a.m. and closing at 7:30 p.m., and that in

1 accordance with the Ohio Revised Code Section
2 3501.32 any voter in line prior to the closing of
3 the polls at 7:30 p.m. shall be permitted to vote.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
6 properly moved and seconded to open the polls. I
7 will take roll.

8 Kim Marinello.

9 MEMBER MARINELLO: Yes.

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton.

11 MEMBER SEXTON: Yes.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug

13 Preisse.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh

16 Jaffe.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: Yes.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The polls
19 will open tomorrow at 6:30.

20 We probably should have a motion to
21 recess.

22 DIRECTOR WHITE: Before we do that,
23 David, I just wanted to note for the Board what the
24 final absentee polls were for our early vote
25 center. We had 1,056 voters vote in person in our

1 early voting center and we had a total of 2,074
2 ballots -- or mail ballots that were transmitted.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: 1,056 in person
4 and an additional 2,074 received thus far in the
5 mail?

6 DIRECTOR WHITE: Correct.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: Those were sent out
8 or received?

9 DIRECTOR WHITE: These were -- I'm
10 looking at this report here -- sent out.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Very interesting.

12 MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
13 move that the Board recess this meeting of the
14 Board of Elections, subject to recall by the Chair,
15 until after the close of the election being held on
16 Tuesday, August 2nd, 2021.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Is there any
19 objection? It doesn't appear so. So by unanimous
20 consent we are in recess.

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22 Thereupon, the proceedings were
23 recessed at approximately 3:11 p.m.)

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THE STATE OF OHIO:

SS:

COUNTY OF FRANKLIN:

I, Carla D. Castle, a Professional Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, correct, and complete written transcript of the proceedings in this matter;

That the foregoing was taken by me stenographically and transcribed by me with computer-aided transcription;

That the foregoing occurred at the aforementioned time and place;

That I am not an attorney for or relative of any of the parties and have no interest whatsoever in the event of this matter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal of office at Columbus, Ohio, this 11th day of August, 2021.

/s/Carla D. Castle
Notary Public, State of Ohio

My Commission Expires: September 29, 2021.

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