



Clarke County Office of Elections

Voter Registration and Electoral Board

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**Meeting of the Clarke County Electoral Board
Wednesday, May 20, 2020
Registrar's Office**

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:06 AM by Chairman Don De Haven. Also present were Randy Sprouse, Carol Westervelt, Barbara Bosserman, General Registrar, and Bob Holcomb, Chief Officer of Election for the Berryville precinct. The proposed agenda was approved.
2. The minutes of both the March 4th and May 6th meetings were approved.
3. Bob Holcomb gave us a report on the election and working with the pandemic.

Things that worked well:

- Plexiglas protective barriers
- Single use pens
- Gloves used to hand ballots to voters
- Officers of Election wore caps, masks and face shield
- Three standing voting booths were used and wiped down after each voter
- Almost all the voters wore masks
- Standing, not sitting, to mark ballots
- Betsy, curbside voting officer, was outside all day serving curbside voting

Things to think about in the future:

- Logistics are more time consuming than normal
- Have to think larger scale with more voters
- Training should have 2 parts - reviewing election procedures and dealing with safety

Thank you, Bob, both for serving and giving us such a detailed report.

Preparing for the June primary:

- We will need to purchase stand up booths, 4 per precinct. No tables needed.
 - The Parks & Recreation will loan their tents for curbside voting. We are set with pens and folders. We will ask those who worked the Berryville precinct to assist in training.
4. Canvas - There were 3 provisional ballots due to absentee voters. All 3 ballots were counted

5. Three new people were appointed to serve as election officials: James McDonald, Jesse Russell, and Jennifer Alfaro. The list of O.E for the primary was reviewed. A couple more are still needed. It was discussed having the curbside election official on the mountain serve both Pine Grove and Blue Ridge. Different colored folders
6. We will need to rent a truck to deliver the voting equipment. With all the extra pandemic supplies, it won't all fit in the van.
7. Miscellaneous
 - Carol suggested we write letters to all the eateries in the county to ask if they would "adopt" a precinct, meaning they would offer supper to the precincts. The Horseshoe Curve has been doing this for years. We would have a sign at each entrance to thank them.
 - Discussion about how to handle training since we have the 10 person rule. Divide into groups and put in different rooms with different instructors. Barbara reserved the space for us for June 18th beginning at 5:00 PM.
8. The next meeting will be the day after the primary election, June 24th, or as needed.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Westervelt, Secretary

Approved: (date) JUNE 24, 2020

Donald E. De Haven, Chairman: 

H. R. Sprouse, Vice Chairman: 

Carol S. Westervelt, Secretary: 