## **BOARD OF REGISTRARS**

## February 8, 2023 Minutes

- Attendees: Phillip O'Brien, Susan Deliddo, Victoria Hawks, Alissa Horsung
- Meeting was called to order at 10:21AM.
- Voter Registration/Review Political Calendar
  - The Board was in agreement for the voter registration deadline to be by 5pm on Friday, February 24th for the Special Town Meeting that will be held at 7pm on March 7th. The Town of Princeton accepted MGL 41.110A, where it allows required deadlines that might fall on the weekend to be handled on regular weekday dates.
  - The Board was in agreement for the last day to register to vote at Town Election and Town Meeting to be by 5pm on Tuesday, April 28th, 2023. Alissa will post the Political calendar on the town website.
- Early Voting
  - a. The Board voted unanimously to opt out of early voting in person in the year 2023 because there will be only one local election. Phillip would like to increase voter turnout.
- Vote by Mail
  - All were in favor of opting in for mail in voting to increase voter turnout.
- Accessible Vote by Mail and UOCAVA (Democracy Live)
  - The Board had discussed voting by email to make voting more accessible. Alissa will look into the process and into UOCAVA.
  - The Board discussed absentee ballots and publicizing date and time when
    performing functioning testing on voting equipment (DS 200 tabulator) so that
    those from the public who were interested could attend. Phillip, on behalf of the
    board, is in agreement to attend the functioning testing when it occurs.
- Vote on authorizing the Town Clerk's Office to perform all actions required by the Board of Registrars, according to 950 CMR 55.02 (12) and MGL Ch 53, Section 7. Thus, the authorization of the use of signature stamps for nomination papers and petition papers.
  - Two Third Vote by Board of Registrars in Favor of using the signature stamps (Philip O'Brien, Susan Deliddo) for nomination papers and petition papers.
  - Notify Vicky Hawks when verifying signatures on nomination papers and petition papers...
- Susan Deliddo's Term Expires on March 31, 2023.
  - The Board voted unanimously to re-appoint Susan for another 3 year term for the period to run through March 31, 2026.
- Share Ideas from Prior Years

- Discussed checking the ballot box to ensure no leakage that may affect submitted ballots. Alissa will reach out to Phil Connors if further assistance is needed.
- Schedule future meeting
  - The Board decided to meet again before the annual election in a hybrid setting and chose late April/Early May for the time-frame to accommodate everyone's schedules.
- A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote to do so was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alissa Horsung