

Meeting of the City of New Castle Board of Elections
New Castle Public Library
424 Delaware Street
New Castle, Delaware 19720
February 21, 2013
4:30 p.m.

Present:

Marianne Caven, Chair
Richard Pennell
Pat Salter
Faythe Waterloo, Secretary
Barbara Winkler

The meeting was opened by the Chair and the Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

It was noted that every incumbent is running for re-election and there are four additional candidates for Council positions.

There was discussion about the absentee ballots. Ms. Caven met with Ms. Wells to discuss changes for this year. The State guidelines for municipal elections prevail regarding election issues. Ms. Caven spoke with Barbara Lippincott from the State Board of Elections' office about this. Ms. Lippincott will send a power point presentation to review the entire process.

There was discussion about the number of voting machines and it was verified that we will have four machines. Mr. Pennell will meet the person delivering the machines to the Senior Center the day before the election. Candidates will receive a CD this year, not a printed copy of the voters; each additional CD will be \$10. New voter registration lists are still being separated to update our city lists.

A question was asked about the number of workers needed and it was decided that eleven people will be needed. Ms. Salter will contact previous poll workers to see if they are interested in working this year with the new extended time required. The City has approved an increase in the pay rate for workers to \$165 per day.

Committee was reminded of the training workshop at the State warehouse.

There was a discussion of the food required for workers for election day. Ms. Winkler is checking to see from whom she can arrange food delivery.

There was also discussion about materials to distribute advertising the date, time and location of the election.

Mr. Pennell asked if there would be a "Candidates' Night". Apparently no organization is interested in sponsoring this event.

The next Board meeting will be on March 21st at 4:30 p.m. at the New Castle Library.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.