



Board of Registrars of Voters

Regular Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Melrose City Hall
Melrose, MA 02176

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Kristin Foote
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Tuesday, May 18, 2021

4:00 PM

City Council Chamber

I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Kristin Foote	Clerk	Present	
Theodore Hunt		Present	
Eric Wildman		Present	
Cynthia A Silveira		Present	

II. Public Comment

Motion To: Public Comment

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion: Open Public Comment

By: Registrar Hunt, Second: Registrar Silveira - motion carried.

No one comes forward.

Motion: Close Public Comment

By: Registrar Hunt, Second: Registrar Silveira - motion carried.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Eric Wildman
SECONDER: Cynthia A Silveira
AYES: Kristin Foote, Theodore Hunt, Eric Wildman, Cynthia A Silveira

III. Agenda

- Approval of minutes - noted for the record last meeting was September 2020 - no minutes available
- New business
 1. Personnel update - Board clerk reviewed staff changes
 2. 2021 federal census - reprecincting - Registrars discussed upcoming City of Melrose training slot to review the impact, if any, of the federal data and the probable tight turnaround to produce reprecincting map once census information is released to municipalities. Hearing that will be in the fall (typically released in

April). The mapping will not be in place for the 2021 local election.

3. Polling locations - Registrars discussed the visit by Secretary of the Commonwealth representative Bridget Simmons Murphy and review of conditions at three locations with respect to ADA compliance. Once her findings are released the Board will reconvene to review with an eye toward remediation. Brief discussion on single polling location at the MVMMS complex ala 2020 Presidential Election versus return to ward polls. Several locations will need attention - is there ability to fold voters into combined locations. Discussed unknowns relative to pandemic election law changes: what will stay and will not.
4. Annual street listing - Ms. Perperian updates members. Ready for the second notices to be sent to census non-responders; reactivated postage account. Mailing probably first week in June; prepping for print of the street listing books.
5. Matters not anticipated at the time of posting:

Registrar Wildman notes the cyclical training of Elections; indicates now is time for review of departmental needs and offers advocacy of the Board to ensure Elections has proper funding; equipment and training.

Ms. Perperian says the tabulators were serviced and four of the 15 were kept by LHS for repair. Discussed need to have back up tabulators to ensure safe and secure elections. Data gathering on surround communities and tabulator stock. Quote to purchase additional units.

Board discussed meeting schedule and agrees to quarterly and as needed subject to the call of the Chair.

IV. Adjournment

Motion To: Adjourn

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

Motion: Adjourn

By: Registrar Wildman, Second: Registrar Silveira - motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]
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