

**MINUTES OF THE FAUQUIER COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD  
APRIL 10, 2020**

Present by conference line: Chairman David Wiedenfeld, Vice Chairman Bob Zwick, Secretary Jane Hurst, General Registrar Alex Ables, and Deputy Registrar Diana Dutton.

This open meeting was also attended by several individuals interested in the recent proposal by the Governor to move the 2020 May and June elections.

The meeting was called to order at 3:31PM.

The minutes from the March 20, 2020 meeting were approved.

Old Business

- Status of planning for the June primary – The proposed move to June 23 poses no problem for the Office. The first day for absentee voting could be moved to May 9. Ballots have not yet been printed.
- Impact of declaration of emergency and Stay At Home Order on the May Elections – The proposed move to the November Federal Election causes numerous problems.
  - The election is already underway; absentee voting started on the March 20.
  - The electorate will be different in November; moves, deaths, age.
  - Polling places are not the same for Town elections as for general elections. This would require several different ballots at each location; a logistical challenge.
  - Not counting the ballots already received seems inherently wrong.
  - Printing new ballots and programing voting machines will be another challenge and added expense.
  - We are fully prepared to conduct the election on May 5, with enough poll workers and processes in place to safely proceed.
  - The Board and office are in full agreement that the election should be held on May 5 or moved to another date in August.

Registrars Report

- In addition to the items covered above, Mr. Ables reported that three or four are in the office conducting usual business each day.
- The Elections Officials Picnic scheduled for June 20 has been canceled.
- Ballot packing for the May election is scheduled for May 1 at 8:00AM. Mr. Wiedenfeld and Mrs. Hurst will attend.

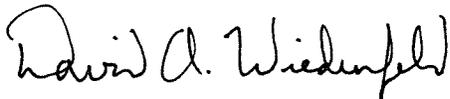
New Business

- The next two meetings will be on May 6 at 11:00AM and May 8 at noon.

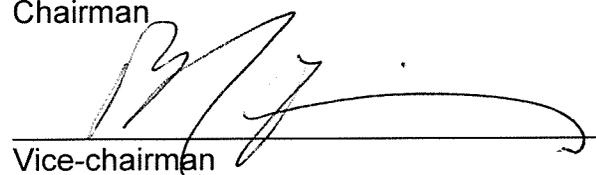
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28PM.

Respectfully submitted,

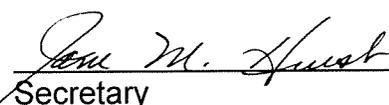
Jane M. Hurst, Secretary



Chairman



Vice-chairman



Secretary