

LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD  
ELECTIONS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MAY 6<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Committee Chair Jack Vietti called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the committee meeting room of Livingston County Historic Courthouse.

Present: Vietti, Ingles, Flott, Gerwin, Kestner, Shafer, Young

Absent:

Also Present: Alina Hartley, MaLinda Hillman, Duane Kieseewetter

Vietti called for any additions or corrections to the agenda with none being requested. *Motion by Flott, second by Ingles to approve the revised as presented.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

**Re-Appointment of Supervisor of Assessments – Duane Kieseewetter** – Hartley stated that the Supervisor of Assessments appointment will expire at the end of May. Kieseewetter stated that he is interested in being re-appointed, but plans to retire in two to two and a half years. Hartley stated that the contract will likely be written for the four year term with a clause allowing for the early retirement with appropriate notice. *Motion by Young, second by Kestner to recommend the approval of the re-appointment of Duane Kieseewetter as Supervisor of Assessments.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

**Appointment: Parnell Kennedy – Odell Fire Protection District –**

**Appowasintment: Jim Schott – Odell Fire Protection District –**

**Appointment: Marjo Stadel – Odell Fire Protection District –**

**Appointment: Dean Wilhelm – Long Point Fire Protection District –**

**Appointment: Marvin Wood – Flanagan Graymont Fire Protection District –**

**Appointment: Bill Rich – Saunemin Fire Protection District**

**Appointment: Merle Jehle – Cullom Fire Protection District –**

The Committee reviewed requests for the appointments of Parnell Kennedy, Jim Schott, and Marjo Stadel to the Odell Fire Protection District, Dean Wilhelm to the Long Point Fire Protection District, Marvin Wood to the Flanagan Graymont Fire Protection District, Bill Rich to the Saunemin Fire Protection District and Merle Jehle to the Cullom Fire Protection District. *Motion by Young, second by Shafer to recommend approval of the appointments as outlined above.* **MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

**Re-Appointment: Donald Feller – Reddick Community Fire Protection District –**

**Appointment: Roger H. Ribbke, Jr. – Reddick Community Fire Protection District –**

The Committee reviewed requests for the re-appointment of Donald Feller or the appointment of Roger H. Ribbke, Jr to the Reddick Community Fire Protection District. Both the incumbent and challenger were present to discuss their qualifications for the position. Lisa Ann Koehler and C. Ray Prussner, Trustees for the District, were also present to speak on the candidates behalf. There are currently two Trustees from Kankakee County and one from Livingston County. Committee members voted for the candidate that they felt should be appointed to the district with four members voting for Ribbke, and three voting for Feller. *Motion by Ingles, second by Shafer*

*to recommend the board approve the appointment of Roger Ribbke to the Reddick Community Fire Protection District. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*

**Standing Rules Amendment** – Hartley stated that the Standing Rules amendment was presented to the full board for review at last month’s board meeting. Hartley stated that unless the Committee had any recommended changes, the amendment will be forwarded to the full board for approval. There were no recommended changes.

**Animal Control Ordinance: Potential Amendments and Fee Schedule Changes** – Gerwin presented a draft of a resolution amending the animal control ordinance. Gerwin stated that she did not feel the resolution was ready to forward to the full board, but she wanted to give the Committee the opportunity to review the document. Gerwin stated that she had started this process due to complaints about dangerous dogs and enforcement, as well as enforcement of inhumane care of animals. Discussion took place. Patty Dawson, Livingston County Resident, addressed the Committee about what she felt was inhuman treatment of local animals.  
**MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.**

**Other Business -** Tattoo Ordinance amendment. Ingles noted that the City of Pontiac is working on amending their zoning ordinance and have requested that the County hold off on taking any action on the topic, until they go through their zoning process. Gerwin stated that she had contacted other mayors as well. It was felt that all incorporated areas should be notified of the possible change. Gerwin questioned what the additional cost would be to the health department. Hillman stated that since the Board of Health is recommending no change in the ordinance, the health department will decline to do the inspections. Hillman stated that the state will do the inspections or contract with another county to do them. Consensus of the Committee was to have the States Attorneys office prepare a resolution to rescind the tattoo ordinance.

*Motion by Young, second by Kestner to adjourn. MOTION CARRIED WITH ALL AYES.*  
Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m..

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