

**LAWRENCE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**MINUTES OF, Monday, April 22, 2024**

The Lawrence County Election Board Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Lawrence County Election Board Meeting of Monday, April 22, 2024, was called to order by **Commissioner Dan Vogler**, at 1:00 pm at the Lawrence County Commissioners Meeting Room. Administrative Assistant, Kristine Venasco called the roll. Those in attendance were **Commissioner Dan Kennedy, Commissioner Chris Sainato, Tim Germani, Susan Kite, Jason Medure, Patricia Christy, Lynne Ryan, Robin Singer, Judy Martwinski, Carrie Hahn, and Debbie Wachter**. It was stated for the record that the meeting is being taped. Those wishing to speak shall be given five minutes. Those speaking are to state for the record their names, addresses and the nature of their business.

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Carrie Hahn - Ms. Hahn requested a copy of the meeting minutes from April 11, 2024, before they were approved. Ms. Hahn referred to Resolution R-2024- 10 and stated that there is nothing in the Election Code to cure a mail-in ballot once it is sent in. She explained that there is no way to change your vote once it is cast. Mr. Vogler and Mr. Germani explained that the curing is in reference to curing the date, not the ballot. Ms. Hahn stated that she feels that there should be provisions for curing in the resolution. Mr. Vogler explained that when the Election Code is silent or ambiguous it is left to interpretation and is up to each county. Mr. Vogler suggested if anyone wishes to have the Election Code changed, they should contact their legislators.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. The minutes of April 11, 2024. Moved by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to approve said minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

**ELECTION DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Germani stated that he certified the number of voters on April 15, 2024. Total voters - 55,912, Democrat - 20,865, Republican - 28,132, Libertarian - 260, Other - 6,655.

Mr. Germani reported that there were 5,053 mail-in ballots sent out. 3,802 ballots have been returned. Ballots may be dropped off at the Election office until 5:00 today (4/22/24), and until 8:00 tomorrow, Election Day (4/23/24). Pre-canvas will begin at 7:00 AM tomorrow. The ballots will be scanned but no results will be posted until 8:00 PM.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Germani reported that all the machines are out. The judges have been notified and everything is ready to go. He also stated that the ES&S representative will be present for Election Day.

Mr. Vogler announced that the distribution of materials took place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Robin Singer - Ms. Singer asked where the Election office gets the information for people to come in to cure their ballot. Mr. Germani responded that the information is on their ballot.

Mr. Vogler explained that if there is a need to reconvene, the Election board will inform New Castle News and the party chairs.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Sainato, seconded by Mr. Kennedy to recess the Lawrence County board of Elections meeting to a call of the chair, dated Monday, April 22, 2024, at 1:18 PM. Motion carried 3-0.