

Monroe County Board of Elections

MINUTES

April 10, 2023

Attendance: Board Members: Sam Bennett, Mary Chambliss, Linda Davis, Jim Zellner, and Rosalyn Harbuck.
Staff: Kaye Warren

Meeting was called to order and opened with prayer.

The minutes of the March meeting were reviewed and approved as printed.

The financial report was reviewed.

Warren reported that all of the old Felon and Deceased Voter Registration cards have been removed from the active files in order to free up space in the filing cabinets. These have been boxed for storage.

The staff asked for recommendations on maintenance of active Voter Registrations. Again, due to lack of storage space, they are questioning the need to keep the physical cards on hand. The state requirement is for there to be two records of registrations available in the office. Currently, in addition to the physical cards in the filing cabinets, there is the scanned copy that is made of each card as it is received in the electronic files and also there is a record of each registration available in the new Secretary of State Garvis system that can be accessed should anything happen to the electronic copy. After discussion of various retention possibilities, the Board recommended that, because there will be the two copies available when needed, that the current physical copies be boxed for storage with other county records storage. When cards are received in the future, they will be scanned into our system and then also be stored outside the office.

A brief review of upcoming elections was given. No definitive answer has been received concerning the two possible Special Elections – county referendum on liquor sales and the need to fill a vacancy of an unexpired term on the City Council. Qualifying for the November Municipal elections will be held for three days in August.

There being no other business the Chair adjourned the meeting and thanked the members for attending.

Next Meeting: May 8, 2023