

The Bloomington Board of Election Commissioners met at 10:00 AM on Tuesday December 6, 2011. Chairman Jack Reidy, Commissioner Judy Green, Commissioner Esaw Peterson, Executive Director Paul Shannon, Assistant Director Cathie Haab and Legal Counsel Bob Day were present.

Chairman Reidy called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the November meeting. Commissioner Peterson moved that the minutes of the November 1, 2011 meeting be approved. Commissioner Green seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Chairman Reidy asked for approval of the bills and checks, shown below and drawn on the PNC Bank. Commissioner Peterson moved that the financial report and checks be approved as shown. Commissioner Green seconded the motion, the motion passed.

AECOI	\$180.00
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Jim Bethmann	\$3,394.00
Robert Day Jr.	\$300.00
City of Bloomington	\$120.00
McLean County Treasurer	\$556.21
Sprint	\$10.34
Frontier	\$265.73
Electronic Systems and Software	\$28,796.66
Illinois Office Supply	\$606.00
United American Election Supply	\$540.95
Absopure Water	\$18.40
Paul Shannon	\$72.02
Staples	\$1,693.34
Votec	\$20,720.00
Total	\$58,023.65

Mr. Shannon updated the Commissioners in regards to the December AECOI meeting. He passed out handout that concern the AECOI in the formation of Committees and the minutes from the September AECOI meeting.

Mr. Shannon informed the Commissioners that the Board needed to be reorganized. Commissioner Green was named as the new Chairman, Commissioner Peterson was named as the new Vice Chairman, and Commissioner Reidy was named Secretary pending reappointment by the Judge.

Mr. Shannon informed the Commissioners that the County had provided a 1.5% pay increase. The Board went into Executive session to discuss pay raises for the Commission staff. At the conclusion of the Executive session, Chairman Reidy informed Mr. Shannon that all members of the staff would receive a 4% pay raise.

A discussion was held to decide what money could be returned to the County. Mr. Shannon pointed out that the Election Assistance Commission was expecting all current election equipment to be obsolete in five to seven years and that provisions should be made to reserve enough money to purchase new equipment in seven years. Mr. Peterson made a motion that \$100,000 be returned to the County as excess. Commissioner Green seconded the motion and the motion passed.

A discussion was held to set the meeting dates for the 2012 calendar year. The dates will be posted on the Commission website.

Mr. Shannon explained the need to begin the process of hiring temporary staff. The hope is that the new employee will become full time staff to replace current staff as they retire.

Mr. Shannon requested permission to transfer the 70 AskEd devices to the DuPage Election Commission. Mr. Shannon informed the Commissioners that the devices were no longer being used because the Electronic Poll Books serve the same function. Mr. Shannon also informed the Commissioners of what must be done to document the disposal of the devices since they were bought with a Federal grant. Commissioner Peterson made a motion to transfer the 70 AskEd devices to the DuPage Election Commission. Commissioner Green seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Having no further business to discuss, Chairman Reidy called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Green made the motion to adjourn, it was seconded by Commissioner Peterson and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:58AM.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, January 4th, 2012 at 10:00 AM.

Esaw Peterson, Secretary