

The Bloomington Board of Election Commissioners met at 9:30am on Wednesday, September 1, 2021. Commissioner Kim Kiser, Commissioner Denise Williams, Commissioner Robert Felton, Assistant Executive Director Lindsey Collins, and Attorney Steve Marht were present.

Commissioner Kiser called the meeting to order at 9:33am. Commissioner Kiser called for a motion to approve the August 4th minutes. Commissioner Williams had one correction to make. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve, and Commissioner Felton seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Commissioner Kiser called for approval of the bills and checks shown below which are drawn on the PNC Bank. Commissioner Williams motioned to approve the bills and checks. Commissioner Felton seconded the motion and the motion passed.

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Frontier	\$609.19
Ancel Glink, P.C.	\$427.50
Culligan Water	\$28.95
City of Bloomington	\$200.00
City of Bloomington	\$18.00
Kim Kiser	\$139.96
Total	\$1,423.60

Commissioner Kiser called for Public Comment, no one present for comment.

Mrs. Collins talked to IT about donating the old Oki printer ink. IT may be able to take care of it for the BEC. Commissioner Williams is going to speak with an individual she knows that has donated ink.

Laptop shelving was purchased to accommodate the smaller storage area. Once it is delivered, the staff will assemble the shelving and begin moving the laptops down from the fourth floor storage. City maintenance will need to be contacted about anchoring the shelving to the wall.

The Pantagraph posting for the Executive Director job has expired. Once the interviews are completed it will be decided whether or not to repost the position.

A Zoom meeting about SB825 will be hosted by the State Board of Elections. Mrs. Collins will attend the meeting and send the recording to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Williams has been working with the City Finance department regarding the budget and the process of returning money to the County. The budget will need to be amended in order to return funds. Commissioner Felton motioned to amend the current budget. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion and the motion passed. Commissioner Williams motioned to return \$100,000 to the County from the current budget. Commissioner Felton seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Discussion was had about the process of redistricting. Commissioner Kiser will reach out to the Galesburg Commission regarding their redistricting process. Commissioner Kiser will also reach out to Regional Planning for more information.

Mrs. Collins suggested that the Commissioners look into implementing the program JustFOIA. The City uses the program and has offered to get the BEC set-up with it. Commissioner Felton motioned to use the JustFOIA program. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion and the motion passed. Mrs. Collins will reach out to the City to get set-up and trained with the program.

Mrs. Collins reached out to the City payroll department to find out the current minimum wage. It was confirmed that the BEC temp employees are being paid minimum wage.


Commissioner Williams requested that the October, November and December board meetings be moved from the first Wednesday to the first Tuesday of the month. The meetings for the remainder of 2021 will be October 5th, November 2nd and December 7th.

At 10:37 am a motion was made by Commissioner Williams to go into closed session (For the purposes of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, or performance of a specific employee of the > public body (5 ILCS120/2(c)(1)). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Felton. A roll call vote was taken by Commissioners Williams, Kiser and Felton voting go into closed session.

At 10:58am a motion was made by Commissioner Felton to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. A roll call vote from Commissioners Williams, Commissioner Felton and Kiser voted to go back into open session.

Commissioner Williams motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Felton, motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 10:59am.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at 9:30am.



Denise M. Williams
Denise Williams, Secretary