Hamilton County Election Board Minutes
April 5, 2019

Present:
Ray Adler, Chairman and Republican Member
Greg Purvis, Democrat Member
Kathy Kreag Williams, Clerk and Secretary
Beth Sheller, Elections Administrator
Michael Howard, County Attorney
David Brooks, Mark Ambrogi, Eric Morris, Patricia Brown, Shelly Brown, Samantha Quinn Feeny

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Adler.

Chairman Adler asked for the approval of the Minutes from the February 21, 2019 meeting. Mr. Purvis made the motion to approve, Clerk Williams seconded, and the motion was carried.

The first item on the agenda was a letter sent to the Election Board from the Democratic County Chairman asking the board to investigate and determine if any election law was violated, based on an article in the Carmel Current on 3/21/19.

Mr. Purvis started the discussion with wanting to address the process, and stated Mr. Weingarten was out of state at a funeral and was unable to attend the meeting. Many questions came up regarding who would investigate. County Attorney Howard questioned if the Election Board had the jurisdiction. Mr. Adler stated that we really don’t know what happened, and questioned should it be referred to the state police. David Brooks, representing the County Republican Party, suggested it was too soon and that there needed to some evidence presented in order to make any decision.

After much discussion, Clerk Williams made a motion that the board needed more evidence presented, and that those in attendance at the meeting and listed in the Mr. Weingarten’s letter, and including Mr. Weingarten, provide more information at an Election Board Meeting. Mr. Purvis seconded, and the motion carried 3-0. The date of May 14th, 2019 at 9:00am was set. Notice will be sent to those listed in the letter including Allen Sutherlin, Laura Campbell, Mayor Brainard, Daniel Hennessey, and Fred Glynn.

No old business was discussed.

Under new business, Eric Morris was present and discussed the topic, which he had sent an earlier email addressing, of in-kind attorney fees in regards to campaign finance. Since it wasn’t on the agenda, it was determined it would be discussed at a future meeting.

The Election Board moved on to begin the public test as prescribed by IC 3-11-13-22 and 3-11-14.5.1. The voting panels and the absentee tabulation was both tested. The Election board completed IEC 9 & 10, and it was forwarded to the State Election Board as required.

Clerk Williams moved to adjourn at 12:30 p.m., Mr. Purvis seconded, and it was approved unanimously.