

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

August 9, 1999

12:00 PM

Dr. Brack called the meeting to order in the absence of a Board Chairman.

Dr. Brack called the roll in the absence of Clerk McHugh.

Present: Barbara Arnold, Dr. Rita Brack, Rita Pepino

Absent: Brian McHugh, Leo Bernier

Messrs.: Paul Bergeron

Dr. Brack advised that a motion was in order to appoint a Chairman of the Board of Registrars to replace Richard Fradette who has resigned.

Dr. Brack nominated Brian McHugh as Chairman of the Board of Registrars.

Ms. Arnold replied that he is the Clerk.

Mr. Bergeron responded it could be voted to replace him as Clerk.

Ms. Pepino stated that Clerk McHugh was Chairman last time.

Dr. Brack replied that she thought it was Richard Fradette.

Ms. Pepino responded no. Mr. Fradette was the current Chairman noting he had resigned.

On motion of Ms. Pepino, duly seconded by Ms. Arnold, it was voted to appoint Dr. Rita Brack as Chairman of the Board of Registrars.

Chairman Brack addressed item 4 of the agenda:

Report to Board relative to correspondence forwarded to 24 individuals regarding their residency.

Mr. Bergeron stated there were two who were still in Manchester but they moved to other wards so we would need to remove them anyway from their ward checklist. When they send us a change of address for a new voter registration, they will be added back in to the correct wards.

On motion of Chairman Brack, duly seconded by Ms. Pepino, it was voted to accept the report and remove the names from the checklist.

Chairman Brack addressed item 5 of the agenda:

Acceptance of voter registration updates from May 18 through June 30, 1999.

Chairman Brack asked have we received them.

Mr. Bergeron replied those should have been mailed to you. There were two sets made...

Chairman Brack replied yes we did get them.

Ms. Arnold stated that she did not receive them.

Mr. Bergeron stated he will send her a copy. Also if you want to consider them now it is up to you. You can do this at the next meeting. Here are the July updates.

On motion of Chairman Brack, duly seconded by Ms. Pepino, it was voted to accept the May and June updates. Ms. Arnold abstained from voting due to the fact that she had not yet had a chance to read through the updates.

Chairman Brack asked is there was any other business, which may come before the Board of Registrars.

Mr. Bergeron stated in reference to the list of deceased voters indicated you need to vote to strike them from the checklist and asked did these names come out of the newspaper; either death notices and/or obituaries.

Ms. Pepino responded yes.

Chairman Brack asked are we certain they are gone.

Ms. Pepino responded according to the paper, they are.

Mr. Bergeron stated we also spot-check the list against our records and wherever you see a checkmark those were verified.

Ms. Pepino stated this person is not checked, he died at the VA Hospital. I know him personally, I know he is gone.

Mr. Bergeron stated and that is one...for example...we could not verify because we do not have a record of their death in our files. The ones we were able to verify were those that we had records...we had death certificates or burial certificates or some kind of notice that they have passed away.

Ms. Arnold asked on the election, you said Brian McHugh could not be Chairman, I am just wondering...I did not quite understand why he could not be.

Chairman Brack responded because he is the Clerk.

Ms. Arnold replied but we could then vote for a Clerk.

Chairman Brack responded if he took it. Then Ms. Pepino reminded me that he was Chairman last time.

Ms. Pepino stated we give everyone a turn at Chairman. That was our own decision.

Chairman Brack in reference to deletions asked if notices would be sent to the ones that could not be verified.

Mr. Bergeron responded we do not need to. The State Statutes say that as long as we have official notice of their death that is satisfactory reason to remove them from the checklist. It does not say specifically death certificate; an official notice would be a published notice in the newspaper of them passing away. They will all be removed if it is approved by the registrars.

On motion of Ms. Pepino, duly seconded by Ms. Arnold, it was voted to accept the list of the deceased as presented and remove those names from the checklist.

Chairman Brack asked if there was anything about the election that the Board needed to know about ahead of time.

Mr. Bergeron stated nothing yet. We will have to meet again and finalize the checklist prior to the September 21st Election. That is usually done about ten days prior. Right now, even the candidates are quiet. It is a little later primary this year. That is as late as it can be, by Charter it is the third Tuesday of September. Then the General Election is November 2nd, which is the earliest it can be because that is the first Tuesday following the first Monday. It will be a very short period between the Primary and General Elections.

Chairman Brack stated that she was thinking about that the other day. This is a terrible time to be campaigning because a lot of people are on vacation.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Registrars, on motion of Chairman Brack, duly seconded by Ms. Pepino, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

Clerk, Board of Registrars