

1 MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS

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3 Wednesday, June 5, 2013

4 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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6 COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

7 ANTHONY CLARK, Chairman
8 AL SCHMIDT, Vice Chairman
9 STEPHANIE SINGER, Commissioner
CARLA MOSS, Deputy Commissioner
DON GARECHT, Deputy Commissioner
DENNIS LEE, Deputy Commissioner

10 PRESENT:

11 FRED VOIGT, Legal Counsel
12 GARY FERRIS, Poll Material Supervisor
13 GREGG KRAVITZ
14 SETH BLUESTEIN
DORI MOLOZANOV
MOLLY MORRILL, Committee of Seventy
LAURA C. DIJOLS, National Action Network
SEAN WALSH, Daily News

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1 (Whereupon, the proceeding began
2 at approximately 11:00 a.m.)

3 MR. CHAIRMAN: We are going to call this meeting
4 to order.

5 Today is Wednesday, June 5th. This is the
6 Sunshine Meeting. Let me say good morning.

7 (Whereupon, there was a
8 collective response.)

9 MR. CHAIRMAN: We are going to start with public
10 comment.

11 (Whereupon, there was no
12 response.)

13 MR. CHAIRMAN: There is none.

14 And I would like to put on the record, the
15 Commissioners present here today, myself, Anthony Clark,
16 City Commissioner Chair, Al Schmidt, Vice Chair of the City
17 Commissioners, and Commissioner Stephanie Singer.

18 We are going to go to old business.

19 Is there any?

20 (Whereupon, there was no
21 response.)

22 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Gary Ferris.

23 MR. FERRIS: Okay. There was a death for one of
24 our long-time employees. Most of the supervisors have

1 attended his funeral, which is why most of them are not here
2 today. So I will be giving reports, it looks like, every
3 supervisor.

4 So, we will start with Joe Lynch.

5 All the election material from the boxes have been
6 sorted through to make sure that the important items, such
7 as the payroll sheets and the number Two and Four Books and
8 the provisional ballots and paper tapes that might contain
9 write-in votes, were removed from the box.

10 His temps are currently sorting through the other
11 material and preparing it for the November Election.

12 And the full-time employees are currently working
13 on the two percent audit.

14 The certification is being worked on and will be
15 finished in a timely manner.

16 That was Joe's report.

17 Okay. John Day.

18 All the machines are back in the warehouse, and
19 then we'll start cleaning the machines out. He has all his
20 employees doing that.

21 Penny is currently downstairs.

22 She has every permanent employee working on the
23 alpha card check and the school seminar check which involves
24 the payroll.

1 This guarantees that everyone that worked and went
2 to school will get that extra \$20 for going to school.

3 So, she currently has everyone from Kevin's room,
4 Kevin Richardson's room, and most of the permanent employees
5 who were not double checking the payroll. So she's doing
6 that at the front counter.

7 Greg's report.

8 The payroll has all been entered into the system.
9 They are now doing a proof, which will take a couple of
10 days. They'll do a couple of proofs on that.

11 He hopes to have -- or he will have the payroll up
12 to the Finance Office by Monday, the latest, so, then, they
13 can do what they need to do.

14 So, within a week that should be over in Finance,
15 and then they should be ready to, you know, cut checks when
16 they are ready to cut those checks.

17 Okay. I am also finished entering my payroll.
18 And that will be up by Friday to our office so that they can
19 forward that to Finance.

20 We are also doing a clean up inventory of our
21 mats, doorbells, disassembly, taking everything apart,
22 putting everything away from the election and sorting
23 everything.

24 Tim Dowling, he's assisting Joe Lynch with the two

1 percent audit of the 2013 Primary Election and assembling
2 information for preparing changes due to the legislative
3 reapportionment for precincts in Philadelphia for the PA
4 State House and State Senator District as approved by the PA
5 Supreme Court.

6 These changes will not be made until the end of
7 the year.

8 And I believe that covers every supervisor; am I
9 correct?

10 So, that's what we are all doing.

11 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Just one question.

12 Typically, how long does it take Finance to turn
13 those -- get the checks out the door?

14 MR. FERRIS: That could be anywhere from a -- it
15 is up to Finance, so it can be anywhere from a week up to,
16 you know -- they held it before, maybe a couple of weeks.
17 That's really on them. I don't know.

18 MR. CHAIRMAN: Right. Okay.

19 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Okay. Thank you.

20 MR. FERRIS: Anyone else?

21 (Whereupon, there was no
22 response.)

23 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. All right. We're going to
24 go with new business.

1 I would like to change Mrs. Areej from secretary
2 in my office to Trades Helper. I put that motion on the
3 floor.

4 COMMISSIONER SINGER: I'm sorry. Mrs. who?

5 MR. CHAIRMAN: Areej.

6 COMMISSIONER SINGER: How's that spelled?

7 MR. CHAIRMAN: That's A-R-E-E-J, Kuttab,
8 K-U-T-T-A-B.

9 I put that motion on the floor.

10 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Does that have a change in
11 salary as well?

12 MR. CHAIRMAN: No. No.

13 COMMISSIONER SINGER: And what is the salary?

14 MR. CHAIRMAN: The salary will be the remaining
15 salary of all other employees as a Trades Helper.

16 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Okay.

17 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: She never started with the
18 department.

19 MR. CHAIRMAN: Right.

20 COMMISSIONER SINGER: So she hasn't started yet?

21 MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

22 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Okay.

23 MR. CHAIRMAN: She was mentioned -- I would like
24 to change her title.

1 Okay. I put that motion on the floor.

2 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I second.

3 MR. CHAIRMAN: I moved it, I second.

4 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I vote in favor.

5 MR. CHAIRMAN: I vote in favor.

6 COMMISSIONER SINGER: (No response.)

7 MR. CHAIRMAN: I would like to propose that Mike
8 Moore for principal assistance (sic) in my office. I put a
9 motion --

10 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: Principal assistant?

11 MR. CHAIRMAN: Assistant.

12 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Okay. At what salary?

13 MR. CHAIRMAN: We haven't discussed the salary
14 yet, but I will get back to you with the salary.

15 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I'll second.

16 MR. CHAIRMAN: I move to -- vote yes.

17 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I vote yes.

18 COMMISSIONER SINGER: (No response.)

19 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. I would like to put a motion
20 on the floor, I would like to appoint Greg Irving as our
21 Voter Registration Administrator. He's, right now, our
22 acting administrator. I put a motion on the floor.

23 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: And the position of
24 Director of Elections that we've created still exists, so...

1 MR. CHAIRMAN: Absolutely.

2 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I'll second.

3 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. I vote in favor.

4 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I vote in favor.

5 COMMISSIONER SINGER: (No response.)

6 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. I would like to make a
7 motion to put a Traders Helper by the name of Mr. Sanchez.

8 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: As a Trades Helper?

9 MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes.

10 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Does he have a first name?

11 MR. CHAIRMAN: Haveria.

12 COMMISSIONER SINGER: Haveria?

13 MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes. H-A-V-E-R-I-A.

14 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I second.

15 MR. CHAIRMAN: I vote in favor.

16 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDT: I vote in favor.

17 That's as a Trades Helper.

18 COMMISSIONER SINGER: (No response.)

19 MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. Any other new business?

20 (Whereupon, there was no
21 response.)

22 MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. This meeting is adjourned to
23 the call of the Chair.

24 Thank you for coming out. Have a nice summer.

1 (Whereupon, the proceeding was
2 adjourned at approximately 11:11
3 a.m.)

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