

City of Hyattsville Board of Supervisors of Elections
Tuesday, May 5, 2020, 4:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL MEETING
Open to the Public

MINUTES

1. Call to Order (4:04 p.m.)

In attendance: Greta Mosher, Ann Frankle, Lisa Pineda, City Clerk Reams, Deputy Clerk Corcoran

2. Vote-by-Mail Discussion

Chair Mosher opened the discussion by inquiring if grants were available to assist local governments with Vote-by-Mail elections. Clerk Reams relayed information on COVID-19 grants the City was pursuing and noted that some funding had been included for infrastructure costs related to VBM election (ballot box). Ms. Pineda and Ms. Frankle both noted the costs for the Rockville VBM election were significantly higher than for the traditional election. It was noted that a large portion of the costs were associated with communication efforts.

There was a discussion regarding logistics for the scanning of VBM ballots and possible acceptance of ballots with a postmark date. It was noted that accepting ballots with a postmark date would delay the results of the election.

The Board discussed designating the City building as the Election Day polling location and placing a ballot box at the library (if open).

The Board reviewed and discussed proposed changes to the election timeline. Clerk Reams said a draft timeline would be presented at the next Board meeting for feedback.

3. Adjourn (4:53 p.m.)