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# ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE – BOARD OF ELECTIONS Tuesday, December 3, 2024 10:30 a.m.

#### **AGENDA**

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

#### **FINANCIAL**

- YTD Budget Report attached
- December for completing grant paperwork and claims

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- See October Minutes
- 2024 General Election Recap
  - Voter turnout statistics
  - o ePollbook connectivity successful
  - Post-election audit
  - o Certified on Nov. 25th, winner letters sent

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 2024 Annual Survey for NYSBOE
- NYSECA Winter Conference January 14-17, 2025

#### **PERSONNEL**

- Election Inspectors: 186 worked for 2024 General Election
- Commissioner Johnson nominated by Tioga County Republican Committee to continue serving for 2025-2026 term

#### **RESOLUTIONS / PROCLAMATIONS**

- AUTHORIZE 2025 SALARIES/WAGES (BOARD OF ELECTIONS)
- APPOINTMENT OF REPUBLICAN ELECTION COMMISSIONER

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### ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE - BOARD OF ELECTIONS Tuesday, October 8, 2024 10:30 a.m.

#### **MINUTES**

#### **ATTENDEES**

Legislators Dennis Mullen, Jake Brown, Ron Ciotoli, and Bill Standinger.

Commissioner James Wahls.

Guests: Legislative Clerk Cathy Haskell, County Administrator Jackson Bailey.

Absent: Commissioner Kelly Johnson.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Legislator Brown. Seconded by Legislator Ciotoli. All in favor. Carrie.

#### STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Commissioner Wahls provided an update on the status of the Board of Elections Strategic Plan for 2024. Most items are In Progress, while a few are Completed or On Hold.

#### **FINANCIAL**

YTD Budget Report was presented.

Requests to re-establish prior-year grant funds and approve three state grants. See resolutions.

#### OLD BUSINESS

See September Minutes.

Military/UOCAVA/Overseas ballots were sent on or before federal deadline 9/20; Initial absentees and EVBM sent starting 9/24\* (\*erroneously reported in meeting as 9/27). As of 10/4, 1,529 ballots issued, 456 received. As of this morning 10/8, 1,609 issued and 562 received.

Request to renew of NTS Software License Agreement – see resolution.

We are implementing secure connectivity for ePollbooks for the 2024 General Election, to improve efficiency of voter turnout reporting, post-election voter history collection, and communication with poll sites during Election Day. Equipment secured from FirstNet, with testing to begin this week.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A security assessment of BOE / HHS Building was conducted by a representative from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), attended by Sheriff Howard, County Administrator Bailey, and Commissioners Johnson and Wahls. The report is expected soon.

Local Voter Registration Days, pursuant to Election Law, were scheduled for Saturday, October 5, and Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> at the BOE. Each Election District in the county is above the threshold for number of registered voters, under which a voter registration site would have been required within that district.

Logic and accuracy testing of Early Voting and Election Day voting equipment was completed. The L&A test of the absentee ballot scanner is on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

Legal notices for 2024 general election are being prepared and will be distributed for publishing in local newspapers.

Elderwood Nursing Home passes the legal threshold for number of absentee voters requiring us to issue the absentee ballots on-site and in person, and assist voters with their ballots when necessary. We will work with the Elderwood staff to coordinate this.

Early Voting starts October 26th. We will shortly be issuing a press release with dates and times.

#### PERSONNEL

Election Inspector Update: 2024 training is completed, and we have certified exactly 200 inspectors, which was our goal for this year. Work assignment letters were sent October 4<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Wahls was nominated by Tioga County Democratic Committee to serve another term at the Democratic Committee reorganizational meeting – see resolution.

#### **RESOLUTIONS / PROCLAMATIONS**

- RENEW SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH NTS DATA SERVICES FOR FIVE YEARS
- RE-ESTABLISH PRIOR YEAR GRANT FUNDS
- APPOINTMENT OF DEMOCRATIC ELECTION COMMISSIONER
- AUTHORIZE 2024 BALLOT BY MAIL GRANT AND AMEND BUDGET
- AUTHORIZE 2024 ELECTRONIC POLL BOOK GRANT AND AMEND BUDGET
- AUTHORIZE 2024 GENERAL ELECTION GRANT AND AMEND BUDGET

Meeting adjourned.



# Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2024 11							
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		144,766	889,866	648,699.33	3,173.75	237,992.74	73.3%
TOTAL General Fund	745,100	144,766	889,866	648,699.33	3,173.75	237,992.74	73.3%
TOTAL REVENUES TOTAL EXPENSES	-4,000 749,100	-59,253 204,019	-63,253 953,118	-11,115.54 659,814.87	.00 3,173.75	-52,137.01 290,129.75	

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# Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2024 11								
		ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
	GRAND TOTAL	745,100	144,766	889,866	648,699.33	3,173.75	237,992.74	73.3%

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REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -24 AUTHORIZE 2025 SALARIES/WAGES

(BOARD OF ELECTIONS)

WHEREAS: The salaries for employees of the Board of Elections are set by

resolution; and

WHEREAS: Management Confidential staff and hourly employees have been

authorized a 3.5% salary increase for 2025; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the 2025 rates for the Board of Elections staff shall be as follows:

#### 2025 pay:

Commissioners	\$ 61	,403.00/yr.
Deputy Commissioners	\$ 46,606.00/yr.	
Voting Machine Technicians	\$	23.62/hr.
Election Clerk	\$	19.22/hr.
Election Workers	\$	15.53/hr.
Election Inspectors (Seasonal)	\$	15.50/hr.

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -24 APPOINTMENT OF REPUBLICAN

**ELECTION COMMISSIONER** 

WHEREAS: The Chairman of the Republican Party has submitted their recommendation to the Clerk of the Legislature; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Kelly Johnson be and hereby is appointed Election Commissioner for the Republican Party from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026.