MINUTES
Board of Registrars’ Meeting
September 8, 2016
10:00 a.m.
City Hall – Room 208

Present: Patricia Lucier and Susan Waye. Also present City Clerk Patricia Piecuch

1. In the absence of the Chairman, City Clerk P. Piecuch called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and asked for election of a Chairman Pro-Tem. S. Waye motioned to elect P. Lucier as the Chairman Pro-Tem. Seconded by P. Lucier. Motion passed.

2. Election of a Chairman and Clerk of the Board. Discussion ensued regarding the vacancy on the Board. S. Waye motioned to withhold electing a Chairman and Clerk until a new member is appointed. Seconded by P. Lucier. Motion passed.

3. S. Waye moved to accept the minutes of Board of Registrars’ meeting of June 6, 2016. Seconded by P. Lucier. Motion passed.

4. P. Lucier moved to accept the City Clerk’s report of deletions, additions and corrections to the checklist. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed.

5. P. Lucier moved to certify the checklist to be used at the September 13, 2016 State Primary Election. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed.

6. City Clerk P. Piecuch provided the Board with a list of Deputy Voter Registrars for the September 13, 2016 State Primary Election. City Clerk Piecuch further stated all had been in for training or refresher training since this was going to be party primary and that the state changed the voter registration form. Discussion ensued on the changes on the form as well as how name changes would now be handled. S. Waye moved to appoint the following individuals to serve as Deputy Voter Registrars during the September 13, 2016 State Primary Election. Seconded by P. Lucier. Motion passed.

Ward 1 – Rosemary Fiery, Irene Vantine and Sheila Kabat
Ward 2 – Carole Gaffney and William Gaffney
Ward 3 – Joan Connacher and Deborah Bortz
Ward 4 – Migdalia Padilla and Robert Fonden
Ward 5 – Vicki Meagher and Robert Theriault
Ward 6 – Susan Waye and Fleurette Rioux
7. Appointment of new City Clerk Staff as Temporary Deputy Registrars. City Clerk Piecuch informed the Board of two new employees Deanne Harris and Nicole Reyes and asked that they be appointed as Temporary Deputy Registrars as allowed under the Charter. P. Lucier motioned to appoint Deanne Harris and Nicole Reyes as Temporary Deputy Registrars. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed.

8. Update on voter registration of Joseph Brisk. City Clerk Piecuch stated she had a conversation with Karen Ladd and Dave Scanlan at the Secretary of State’s Office and they know of no local, state or federal laws that automatically would allow someone who is a Native Canadian Indian rights to register to vote in the United States. They stated the burden of proof would be on Mr. Brisk to prove he either had citizenship in the United States or had a tribal card. City Clerk Piecuch stated she had spoken with Mr. Brisk after speaking with the Secretary of State and he stated neither of his parents were American and he would look into whether he was ever naturalized.

9. Communication from Linda Gathright, OBU Advisor and Past Chairperson. Discussion ensued about this communication regarding registering voters at Greeley Park on August 13, 2016. P. Lucier motioned to accept, place on file, to deny the request since the date has passed and advise that the Board will be revisiting the issue of voter registration drives in 2017. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed.

10. Communication from Katherine Johnson, Advisor John Locke Society, Nashua High School South. Discussion ensued about going to the schools to register voters. City Clerk Piecuch stated she has not heard from Nashua High School North, only from South. P. Lucier motioned to accept, place on file and to set the date of October 19, 2016 to go register voters at Nashua High School South. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed.

Discussion then ensued about Nashua High School North and should a communication be received. S. Waye motioned should a communication come in from NHSN the City Clerk will work in scheduling a time to register students. Seconded by P. Lucier. Motion passed.

11. Extended Voter Registration Hours. City Clerk Piecuch explained to the Board how she was going to offer extended voter registration hours prior to the November State General Election to help those voters who have a difficult time coming in during our regular office hours in the hopes of having voters standing in two long lines on Election Day. The dates haven’t been set but hours would be on Tuesday’s until 7 pm and on Saturdays in October, probably 9 am to 3 pm.

12. Other business:
a. City Clerk Piecuch notified the Board that postcards were mailed to Wards 3 and 5 regarding their polling location change. Mailways was used and there was a small problem as the company used NCOA (National Change of Address) and they were not supposed to mail any to those that moved within Nashua, but unfortunately they did. They are rectifying it by sending out another postcard to those affected voters. It will also be posted on our website as well.

b. City Clerk Piecuch notified the Board that thanks to the Nashua Transit, rides to the polls will be provided using the fixed route schedule. For those that are not on the direct route they will be able to call a number in order request a ride, but there will be a deadline.

c. City Clerk Piecuch stated she was going to provide all the wards with an alpha checklist so that if someone wasn’t sure if they were already on the checklist they would be able to verify the information. P. Lucier requested she be supplied with information on a flash drive as in the past.

13. There being no further business to become before the Board, P. Lucier motioned to adjourn. Seconded by S. Waye. Motion passed and adjourned at 11:01 am.