



Danville Election Commission

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VERMILION COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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Chairperson

Charles Bostic
Vice Chairman

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Secretary

Barbara Dreher
Executive Director

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING November 18, 2008

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Danville Election Commission was called to order at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 by Chairman Barbara Bailey in the office of the Election Commission. Present were Commissioners Barbara Bailey, Charles Bostic, Everett L. Laury, and Executive Director, Barbara Dreher.

Minutes and Agenda

The Election Commission unanimously approved the Minutes of the October 14, 2008 regular meeting and unanimously approved the proposed Agenda for this meeting of November 18, 2008.

Voter Registration

In September, 2008, there were 429 new registrations of which 281 were transfers. In October, 2008, there were 456 new registrations of which 237 were transfers. As of Election Day the total registration was 18,341, which was approximately 230 registrations more than the registration figure at the 2004 election.

HAVA Grants and Election Expenses

It was mentioned by the Executive Director that approximately \$68,000.00 not spent was expected to be refunded to HAVA. The automatic door opener on the first floor outside the Election Commission Office has been installed but is not yet operational. Part of the charge for same will be paid by the County Clerk. The Executive Director indicated she will check on obtaining another M-100 Unit from the HAVA money. Also, Director Dreher will in the future look at a larger M-250 Unit to be used for early voting. It was reported that there was not significant savings at this election by the use of the ballot on demand system. But savings are expected to result in the long term because of the system. The accounts payable for October and early November in the total amount of \$46,429.55 were approved by the Election Commission. Of this figure, \$6,792.69 was spending from HAVA, and \$39,636.86 was election spending. There were 12,048 votes cast at the November election, at a cost of \$4.90 per vote.

The Election Problems Discussed

Problems discussed and matters to be addressed prior to another election included the number of calls that came in on Election Day to the Election Commission Office where people did not know where to vote or were not registered. Also, in the early voting period, the number of applications did not match the votes cast, and it was agreed that measures should be discussed in the future as to a better system to be used in the early voting at the Election Commission Office.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m., with the next meeting to be scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 9, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett L. Laury, Secretary
Danville Board of Election Commissioners