

April 25, 2022

**Westmoreland County Board of Elections**

*General Primary Election of May 17, 2022*

The Westmoreland County Board of Elections met in Special Session on Monday, April 25, 2022 at the Westmoreland County Courthouse, Meeting Room #101, 2 North Main Street, Greensburg, PA. The following were present: Chairman Sean Kertes, Vice-Chairman Douglas W. Chew, Secretary Gina Cerilli Thrasher and County Solicitor Melissa A. Guiddy. The following business was conducted:

Mr. Kertes called the meeting to order at 10:00am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion was made by Mr. Chew, seconded by Mrs. Cerilli Thrasher and it was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the Election Board held April 12, 2022, as presented

**Opportunity for Public Comment**

*Sarah Skidmore, Greensburg – expresses thanks to Commissioner Cerilli Thrasher for her support of multiple drop boxes within the county. She goes on to say that was support for drop boxes in previous election cycles and that the drop boxes are for everyone. She feels it is very important to continue the drop boxes throughout the county. Drop boxes are the best option for some people and we don't want to silence anyone's vote. She goes on to say that we should be fighting for everyone's voice to vote. She says that it feels like voter suppression and we need do the boxes for the people of County.*

Motion was made by Mr. Chew, seconded by Mrs. Cerilli Thrasher and it was unanimously agreed to approve the following items (1, 2, 4 and 5):

- 1) Westmoreland County Provisional Board for the May 17, 2022 Primary Election to convene on Friday, May 20, 2022 beginning at 9:00am
- 2) Election Bureau Staff and those employees temporarily assigned to the Election Bureau to the Mail-In and Absentee Board to do the Canvassing of Mail-In and Absentee ballots for the May 17, 2022 Primary Election and to convene immediately following the close of the polls on May 17, 2022 and continuing thereafter until completed.
- 4) The following authorized individuals to retrieve ballots from the Ballot Drop Box at the Westmoreland County Courthouse:

Scott Ross	Greg McCloskey	Sandy Koluder
Wilson Ragen	Jessica Goughnour	Brenda Bedont
Paul Defloria		

- 5) The following authorized individuals to serve as Westmoreland County Courthouse Lower Park Drop Box Monitors:

Jamison Beard	Lucy Werner	Jan Derco	Rick Bruni	
Karla Gregg	Elena Riehle	Amanda Whatton	Stephanie Paha	
BJ McKelvey	Michelle Cole	Megan Smith	Wilson Ragen	Sandy
Koluder	Brenda Bedont	Paul Defloria	Jessica Goughnour	Greg
McCloskey	Theresa Adamczyk			

Motion was made by Mr. Chew to AMEND the following item begin at **7:00am on Election Day and 8:00am on every other day**, seconded by Mr. Kertes, with Mrs. Cerilli Thrasher voting “NAY” – stating that she is in favor of the drop box here at the Courthouse, but would also like to see additional boxes throughout the County – motion passes to approve the following:

- 3) Election Drop Box Location/Dates/Times for Westmoreland County for the May 17, 2022 Primary Election:

Westmoreland County Courthouse, Annex Building Lower Park Entrance  
Tuesday, May 3, 2022 through Monday, May 16, 2022  
Mondays thru Fridays ~~9:00am~~ **8:00am**– 6:00pm  
Saturdays & Sundays ~~9:00am~~ **8:00am**- 5:00pm  
*(with the exception of Sunday, May 8, 2022 – Mother’s Day)*  
Tuesday May 17, 2022 (Election Day) ~~9:00am~~ **7:00am**- 7:30pm

Motion was made by Mr. Chew, seconded by Mrs. Cerilli Thrasher and it was unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 10:05am

Certified by,

Gina Cerilli Thrasher, Esq.

Secretary