

Blair County 2021 Board of Elections Minutes
Monday, September 20, 2021 10:30 a.m.
Commissioner's Meeting Room

In Attendance: Commissioner Amy Webster, Commissioner Laura Burke, Commissioner Bruce Erb, Solicitor Nathan Karn, Election Director Sarah Seymour.

The meeting began at 10:36 a.m.

There was no public comment.

The minutes of the April 30, 2021 Board of Election meeting were approved. Commissioner Erb motioned to approve and Commissioner Burke seconded – the motion was approved unanimously.

Approval was sought for the Second Amendment Sanctuary referendum Plain English Statements. Commissioner Burke questioned if there was a word limit and stated how confusing the statements were written for voters to read. Solicitor Karn stated there was not word limit. The Plain English Statement is standard for referendum questions. It was decided to have 1 Plain English Statement for everyone instead of 26 separate statements. Solicitor Karn also stated the Plain English Statement explains the difference between a yes vote and a no vote.

Commissioner Erb motioned to approve and Commissioner Webster seconded – the motion was unanimously approved.

Approval was sought for the Bellwood Borough Referendum Plain English Statement. Commissioner Karn stated that we have had this type of referendum question on the ballot in Blair County. The same language is presented as we have used in the past.

Commissioner Erb motioned to approve and Commissioner Burke seconded – the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.