



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2022

The meeting of the Union County Board of Elections was called to order by Chair Mary Ellen Harris at 10:12am. The following were in attendance: Chair Mary Ellen Harris; Secretary / Commissioner of Registration Clara Harelik, Esq.; Commissioner Dennis Kobitz (via zoom); Commissioner Tony Teixeira; Commissioner Debra Varnerin; and Assistant Supervisor Lynne Nodine. Commissioner James Foerst, Esq. was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Chair Harris.

ADJUDICATION OF CERTAIN VOTE BY MAIL BALLOTS

Commissioner Varnerin announced that she will abstain from review of all Berkeley Heights ballots.

The Board began counting ballots received in the Ballot Drop Boxes on Election Day and through the mail on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The Commissioners rejected ballots for the following reasons: unaffiliated voters voted both the Democratic and Republican ballots; voted sample ballot and no ballot was contained in the envelope; voter's certification was not contained in the envelope; and breach in the chain of custody.

The Commissioners approved ballots for the following reasons: no outer envelope; husband and wife switched certs but both were returned; and no inner envelope, but certificate and ballot returned.

The Commissioners voted to send ballot cure letters to certain voters.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Kobitz to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Harelik. All Commissioners present voted in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 2:37pm.