ELECTION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 22, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M.

Members Present : Dyer, Neushwander, Steele, McKinney & Lutz

Also Present : Frank Halpin & Lana Phillips

It was MOVED by Neushwander and SECONDED by Steele to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2007 Meeting, MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Dyer asked why the Judge of Election Schools were held right before Christmas. The County Clerk explained that typically, the Judges are trained about six weeks before the election, so that they can retain the amount of material that is presented. In this case, the election has been moved from the third Tuesday in March to the first Tuesday in February. Any later would have put them into the Christmas and New Year holidays and absentee voting started right after that. She also asked about how many judges received training and was told, approximately 180.

The Chairman asked about the election equipment and our vendor. She was told that we will be using the same Diebold equipment, optical scan and touch screen, as in the past and our lease extends through 2009. The current vendor is now Governmental Business Systems (GBS), who held our original lease, they bought our Fidlar Election Co.

She wanted to know if the heat problem had been addressed at White Oak School, and the Clerk told her that the head custodian had been contacted, and assured the Clerk that he would take of it. Mrs. Dyer also asked if the parking lot could be cleared of ice and snow for election day.

Student Election Judges were discussed and the Clerk told the committee there are 23 from Morris Community High School and 2 from Coal City that will serve election day. They have been trained. She receives a lot of cooperation from Counselor Josh Williamson in Morris.

The Clerk announced the Public Test of the equipment will be held on Tuesday, January 29th at 2:00 P.M. This is open to anyone.

Committee Member Steele commented that the Morris Twp. Supervisor was upset about the complaints from a Judge in Morris 3, about tables and chairs not being setup. He claims that they were. The Chairman says that she has spoken to him.

It was MOVED by Neushwander and SECONDED by Lutz to adjourn at 4:50 P.M.

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February 27, 2008