

Butler County Board of Elections
Board Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2020

The Butler County Board of Elections met on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., for a special meeting. Roll call was taken and present were Chairman Frank Cloud, Member Mariann Penska, Member Chris Wunnenberg, Director Diane Noonan, Deputy Director Eric Corbin, and Poll Worker Administrator/Executive Assistant Melissa Trotta.

Deputy Director Corbin presented the Center Tech and Civil Life grant agreement. Deputy Director Corbin stated the grant agreement was submitted to the County Prosecutor to ensure the legitimacy of the grant. He said Secretary of State LaRose was aware of the grant, and he was very pleased Butler County had applied. He said only a few counties in the surrounding area applied.

There was a discussion on how the monies can be used. Deputy Director Corbin explained the money can be used for personal protective equipment (PPE) supplies, Precinct Election Official recruitment, training expenses, and hazard pay. He said the grant also could be used for temporary staffing, vote-by-mail equipment, and supplies. Director Noonan mentioned additional drops boxes are a possibility. Deputy Director Corbin stated the grant covers costs for administering elections in 2020 only.

Member Penska stated she is concerned that voters will not practice social distancing outside the polling locations. She asked if any supplies could be purchased to assist. Director Noonan said yes, different items are being looked at.

Chairman Cloud stated for purposes of security, a deputy should be onsite during early voting hours. Member Penska asked what is the protocol if an incident arises on election day. Deputy Director Corbin explained a memorandum set forth by the Secretary of State is sent to the Sheriff and Chiefs of Police outlining their responsibilities on election day.

Member Wunnenber moved to approve the acceptance of the grant funding on Document 1; seconded by Member Penska: Roll Call:

Chairman Cloud	yea
Member Penska	yea
Member Hall	absent
Member Wunnenberg	yea

All in favor; motion carried

With no further business, Chairman Cloud moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Member Penska. Roll call:

Chairman Cloud	yea
Member Penska	yea
Member Hall	absent
Member Wunnenberg	yea

All in favor; motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:28 a.m.

Frank Cloud, Chairman

Diane Noonan, Director

ABSENT

Todd Hall, Member

Chris Wunnenberg III, Member

Mariann Penska, Member