



Clintonville Area Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 9th, 2020, 7-7:30 pm Zoom Online Meeting
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Commissioners in attendance:

- David Vottero District 1, cacdistrict1@gmail.com
- Khara Nemitz District 2, cacdistrict2@gmail.com
- Libby Wetherholt District 3, libbywD3@gmail.com
- Judy Minister District 4, judym.cac4@gmail.com
- Kendra Carpenter District 6, KendraD6@yahoo.com
- Michael Weinman, District 7
- Jim Garrison District 8, cacdistrict8@gmail.com
- B.J. White District 9, bjwhite.cac.district9@gmail.com

7:00 p.m. Call to order & formal welcome by Chairperson White

Welcome to your Clintonville Area Commission "...committed to the undertaking of the preservation of the values of the community through promotion, implementation and recommendation to city officials."

The CAC was empowered in 1974 by the Columbus City Charter to represent the Clintonville community in the discussion of community concerns. By City Code, the purpose of the CAC is to "...afford additional voluntary citizen participation in the decision making in an advisory capacity and to facilitate communications, understanding and cooperation between neighborhood groups, city officials and developers"

7:05 p.m. CAC Election Update – Chair Ann Henkener

The CAC Election Committee has been working diligently to communication the status of the election and to remain on standby while the CAC Chair has organized an online meeting platform to facilitate

quorum so that voting may occur in adherence with the CAC Bylaws with regard to the COVID-19 Amendments to the CAC Election Rules.

Introduction of the COVID-19 Amendment to the CAC Election Rules

Due to the complications related to the COVID-19 outbreak and the precautionary “Stay At Home” directive (<https://governor.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/governor/media/news-and-media/ohio-stay-at-home-order-extended-through-may-1>) ordered by Dr. Amy Acton, the Director of Health for the State of Ohio and fully supported by Governor Mike DeWine effective March 23, 2020, the following amendments have been proposed (in italics) by the CAC Election Chair Ann Henkener and the CAC Election Committee and shall be considered to amend the following CAC Election Rules in concurrence with the State of Ohio Stay At Home Directive:

COVID-19 Candidate Nominating Petition Amendment

Section IV. Candidate Nomination, Paragraph A. (5) Each potential candidate must submit a petition containing valid signatures, residence addresses and residence phone numbers of at least fifty qualified voters who reside in the potential candidate's District.

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the number of candidate nomination petition signatures from 50 to 5 whereas the above cited CAC Election Rule shall be amended as follows:

Section IV. Candidate Nomination, Paragraph A. (5) Each potential candidate must submit a petition containing valid signatures, residence addresses and residence phone numbers of at least five qualified voters who reside in the potential candidate's District.

The CAC voted to approve the amendment 6-1- 0.

COVID-19 Polling Procedure Amendment

Section VI. Polling Procedures. A. The CAC Election Committee shall provide voting opportunities for voters who will be absent or otherwise not voting in person at the polls on Election Day and for in-person voters at the polls on Election Day; B. Mail-in Balloting; C. Direct in-person voting at the polls.

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the in-person polling procedure whereas the above cited CAC Election Rule shall be amended as follows:

Section VI. Polling Procedures. The CAC Election Committee shall provide voting opportunities for voters utilizing the mail-in balloting procedure outlined in the CAC Election Rules and the option of direct in-person voting at the polls is being eliminated with the concurrence of the Stay-At- Home Directive currently in effect.

The CAC voted to approve the amendment 8-0.

COVID-19 Election Timeline Amendment for Certification of Candidates

Thursday, April 2nd 6:30 p.m. Election Committee Certifies Candidates at the Whetstone Community Center

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the CAC Election Timeline whereas the above cited CAC Election Timeline shall be amended as follows:

Friday, April 10th 4:30 p.m. Election Committee Certifies Candidates during a teleconference with CAC Election Committee Members.

COVID-19 Election Timeline Amendment for Mail-In Ballot Requests

Monday, April 13th Deadline for Submission of Mail-In Ballot Request Forms 4:30 p.m. Election Committee and any candidate witnesses pick up the Ballot Request Forms from the PO Box 6:30 p.m. Mail-in Ballots mailed to requesters.

The proposed COVID-19 Amendment shall supersede the deadline for submission of mail-in ballot request forms whereas the above cited CAC Election Timeline shall be amended as follows:

Monday, April 20th Deadline for Submission of Mail-In Ballot Request Forms 4:30 p.m. Election Committee and any candidate witnesses pick up the Ballot Request Forms from the PO Box 6:30 p.m. Mail-in Ballots mailed to requesters.

The CAC voted to approve the last two amendments 8-0.

Additional notes:

- Ty Hulbert is working hard to get the ballots on the social media platforms.
- Commissioner Wetherholt edited the verbiage of the amendments and Chairperson White updated the amendments per the suggested edits.
- Chairperson White asked who may witness the counting of the votes. Ann Henkener said anyone can be present.
- Ann Henkener presented the number of signatures collected by the 2020 CAC Candidates:
 1. District 1: David Vottero - 5 signatures
 2. District 2: Josh Waller -10 signatures
 3. Brian Peifer – 6 signatures
 4. District 5: Brittany Boulton - 8 signatures
 5. Jessica Repack - 8 signatures
 6. District 9: B.J. White – 50 signatures

7:30 p.m. Meeting Adjourned