

**TOWN OF ELSMERE  
BOARD OF ELECTION MINUTES  
June 3, 2025  
5:30p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairwoman Kathleen Aiken called the meeting to order at 5:30p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THOSE WISHING TO DO SO:**

**ROLL CALL:**

Chairwoman Kathy Aiken – Present

Lura Taub – Present

Lauren Sheldon - Present

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**       None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Minutes of the February 11, 2025, Board of Elections Meeting

A motion was made by Board Member Lura Taub to approve the February 11, 2025, Board of Election Minutes. The motion was seconded by Board Member Lauren Sheldon.

**VOTE:**                   3-0                   All-in-favor                   Motion carried

**OLD BUSINESS:**   None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Board will review the applications of all candidates who have filed for the offices of 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Council Districts to determine if each applicant has met the requirements to run for the office for which they have filed.

Chairwoman Kathy Aiken stated that candidate Marc Henry has filed for the office of 5<sup>th</sup> District Council, is unopposed, has met the requirements to file and has filed the appropriate paperwork with the State Department of Elections Campaign Finance Section. As per the Town Code, Mr. Henry would be declared as elected for 5<sup>th</sup> District Council.

The Board then determined that three candidates have filed for the office of 6<sup>th</sup> District Council. The candidates are as follows:

1. Erik Ellison of 31 Vilone Road
2. Michael Matthews of 34 Richard Avenue
3. Christina Watts of 113 N. DuPont Road

The Board continued to review each candidate and determined that all three have met the requirements to file and have filed the appropriate paperwork with the State Department of Elections Campaign

Finance Section.

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Chairwoman Kathy Aiken to accept candidate Marc Henry as unopposed and deem him to have been elected to the office of 5<sup>th</sup> District Council and also to accept the candidates listed as opposed for the office of 6<sup>th</sup> District Council. The motion was seconded by Board Member Lauren Sheldon.

**VOTE:** 3-0 All-in-favor Motion Passed

The Board will consider cancelling the 2025 Special Election for the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Council Districts, scheduled to be held on June 28, 2025 only in the event that only a single candidate has filed for each office.

Chairwoman Kathy Aiken then stated this agenda item would be withdrawn since it has been determined that the Special Election will need be held on June 28, 2025 from 10am to 7pm as determined in Ordinance 681 by the Mayor and Council for that office for the 6<sup>th</sup> District Council candidates.

The Board will discuss the need for an additional Special Election to fill the seats of any remaining Council Districts where no candidates have filed.

Chairwoman Kathy Aiken stated that for the office of 3<sup>rd</sup> District Council, no candidates filed for office. Therefore, an additional Special Election will need to be conducted within 60 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, as may be proclaimed by the Council, according to Chapter 19-5 C.(3). That vacancy will occur after the Special Election June 28, 2025.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**STATEMENTS SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBERS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Board Member Lauren Sheldon to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Lura Taub.

**VOTE:** 3-0 All-in-favor Motion carried

**These minutes summarize the agenda and other issues discussed at this Board of Elections Meeting. Votes are recorded accurately. The audio tape(s) of this meeting will be available at Town Hall for a period of two years from the date these minutes are approved. The audio tapes may be reviewed at Town Hall by appointment and in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.**



**KATHY AIKEN  
CHAIRWOMAN**