

**TOWN OF ELSMERE
BOARD OF ELECTION MINUTES
June 25, 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 - Absent

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the June 3, 2025, Board of Elections Meeting

A motion was made by Board Member Lura Taub to approve the June 3, 2025, Board of Election Minutes. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Kathy Aiken.

VOTE: 2-0 with 1 Absent All-in-favor Motion carried

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Due to the withdrawal of two of the three candidates from the 6th District Special Election ballot, and in accordance with Chapter 19-D5 of the Code of the Town of Elsmere, the Board will consider declaring the remaining candidate as elected.

The Board determined that two of the three candidates who filed for the 6th Districts Special Election have withdrawn, leaving only one candidate remaining on the ballot. As per the Town of Elsmere Code, Chapter 19-5D.(9), that candidate, Mr. Erik Ellison, has been declared as elected for the office of 6th Council District and will be sworn in on Council at the July 8, 2025 meeting of the Mayor and Council.

ACTION: A motion was made by Board Member Lura Taub to accept candidate Erik Ellison as unopposed and deem him to have been elected to the office of 6th District Council. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Kathy Aiken.

VOTE: 2-0 with 1 Absent All-in-favor Motion Passed

The Board of Elections will consider cancelling the 6th District Special Election which was to be held on June 28, 2025.

The Board determined that since there are no opposing candidates for the 6th District Special Election which was to be held on June 28, 2025 from 10am to 7pm as approved in Ordinance 681 office can be cancelled.

ACTION: A motion was made by Board Member Lura Taub to cancel the 6th District Special Election which was to be held on June 28, 2025 from 10am to 7pm as approved in Ordinance 681 to be canceled. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Kathy Aiken.

VOTE: 2-0 with 1 Absent All-in-favor Motion Passed

The Board will discuss the need for an additional Special Election to fill the seats of the 3rd Council District within 60 days of the vacancy.

There was a brief discussion regarding the office for the 3rd District Council and the need for an additional Special Election 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).

Scott Allen provided a rough timeline of the election process. The 3rd District Special Election is scheduled to be held on August 23, 2025, depending on approval from Mayor and Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

STATEMENTS SUBMITTED BY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBERS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

ACTION: A motion was made by Board Member Lura Taub to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Chairwoman Kathy Aiken.

VOTE: 2-0 with 1 Absent 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**