



City of Chicopee, Massachusetts

Registrars of Voters

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Janina Surdyka
Registrar

(copy of the minutes of the meeting)

June 24, 2016

Jacqueline DuBois, Chairperson of the Board of Registrars, called the Meeting of the Board to order at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Jacqueline A. DuBois, Alfred W. Kendall, Edward A. Rybak, Janina Surdyka

Upon motion by Mr. Rybak, seconded by Mr. Kendall, the minutes of the May 12, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved.

- Correspondence:**
- Election Division – Additional Initiative Petitions and Public Policy Questions Petitions
 - National Night Out Committee - Special Voter Registration
 - Office of Jury Commissioner –List of Residents for Jury Selection

Motion was made, seconded and carried to place correspondence on file and to conduct special voter registration session at National Night Out from 5 – 7 p.m.

Clerk’s Report: The following additional initiative petitions were filed with the Department and have their signatures verified pending Board’s certification:

Code	Subject	No. of petitions	No. of signatures	No. of valid signatures
C	End of Common Core	26	224	172
D	Regulation and taxation of Marijuana	111	256	167
N	Expanded Gaming	104	272	187
O	Prevent Cruelty to Animals	74	422	322
P	Allow Fair Access to Public Schools	110	271	168

One petition “O” was rejected as received too late.

One nomination paper was submitted by Libertarian candidate Thomas J. Simmons for Representative in Congress in 1st Congressional District with 9 signatures – 8 were determined valid.

Registration statistics (including address and party affiliation changes) for the month of May are as follows:

Registered in the office	44
Received from the RMV	313
Registered by mail	37
Registered at public-assistance agencies	57
Registered online	18
Received from other City/Town Halls	3
Deleted from voter registration roll (moved, died or in response to confirmation notice)	114

Since July 1, 2015 the Department collected \$25,134.70 from passport applications and spent \$14,934.59 for photo ink and paper, priority postage, 7 calendars, receipt books, 4 reams of business paper, staples, post-its, 4 mouse pads and \$10,500.00 transferred to Special Services for conducting the Annual City Census. The present balance of this account is \$138,046.16.

2,500 Acknowledgement Notices (postage pre-paid double postcards) went out on May 24th to census non-respondents, as required by MGL Ch. 51, Sec. 37.

Vote to accept Clerk's report was unanimous.

Old Business: Request for continuation of the Passport Revolving Fund for the purpose of processing and mailing passport applications was approved by our Mayor and City Council on June 7th.

New Business: - Motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved that additional Initiative Petitions and Nomination Papers be certified as presented by the Clerk.

- the Board received feedback from the Clerk of the Board regarding upcoming changes to the voter registration regulation, pre-registration for 16 year olds which will start in August, and early voting.

Next meeting of the Board was scheduled for August 19 for the purpose of registering new voters for the September 8, 2016 State Primary.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk of the Board