

**BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
ELECTION CONSOLIDATION ACT UPDATE
SEPTEMBER 6, 2005**

THE BAY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION CONVENED ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2005 IN THE OFFICE OF THE BAY COUNTY CLERK AT 9:00 A.M. THE FOLLOWING MEMBER WERE PRESENT FOR AN UPDATE.

ROLL CALL: RICHARD BRZEZINSKI, COUNTY TREASURER
 CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, BAY COUNTY CLERK
 KAREN TIGHE, PROBATE JUDGE/CHAIRPERSON

CLERK LUCZAK TOLD ABOUT AN INFORMAL MEETING WHICH WAS HELD WITH CLERKS REPRESENTING THE CITIES AND TOWNSHIPS IN BAY COUNTY ON AUGUST 26, 2005. A NUMBER OF ISSUES WERE ADDRESSED AS SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA, WITH THE PRECINCT CONSOLIDATION THE FIRST ORDER OF PRIORITY.

THE CONSOLIDATION OF PRECINCTS FOR ELECTIONS WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE CLERK FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS INCLUDING THE LOW VOTER TURNOUT FOR SCHOOL ELECTIONS; THE FACT THAT ONE CENTRAL LOCATION MAY CURRENTLY HAVE MORE THAN ONE PRECINCT AND SIMPLY SPEAKING, THE COST SAVINGS TO BE REALIZED. THE PRINTING OF BALLOTS WOULD BE REDUCED WITH ONLY ONE (1) BALLOT PRINTED IN A LOCATION AS OPPOSED TO TWO (2).

AS HOUSE BILL 4824 ALLOWED THE COMBINING OF PRECINCTS FOR ANY ELECTION, JUDGE TIGHE MOVED TO ALLOW THE COMBINING OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN WHATEVER FASHION WAS AGREED UPON BY THE LOCAL UNITS. THE TREASURER CONCURRED AND OFFERED SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION AS RECOMMENDED BY CLERK LUCZAK. MOTION CARRIED.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:20 A.M.-MOVED BY JUDGE TIGHE, SUPPORTED BY TREASURER BRZEZINSKI AND CONFIRMED BY C. LUCZAK BAY COUNTY CLERK.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
CYNTHIA A. LUCZAK, CLERK

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CALL TO ORDER

GENERAL ELECTION ISSUES

FILING DEADLINE 9/9/2005

BALLOT JURISDICTION "2005"

INFORMAL SESSION 8/26/2005

CONCURRENCE OF ELECTION COMM'S.

CLOSURE OF REIGEL SCHOOL

VOTING EQUIPMENT

NEGOTIATIONS W/STATE FOR 1 MACHINE

BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN 2005 FOR 1 MACHINE

NEGOTIATIONS WITH H.P. HORAK FOR BALLOTS

SAVINGS IN BALLOT COSTS

SAVINGS IN SHIPPING COSTS

SAVINGS IN BALLOT QUANTITIES

CONSOLIDATION OF PRECINCTS-H.B. 4824

APPROVAL OF CITIES

APPROVAL OF TOWNSHIPS

PROGRAMMING OF ELECTION

PROGRAMMING IN-HOUSE

FOUR(4) ELECTIONS PER YR.

REQUESTING DEPUTY IN 2006