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Minutes of the Cambridge Election Commissioners meeting Tuesday, May 12, 2009

The regular meeting of the Cambridge Board of Election Commissioners was held at the Election Commission office on Tuesday, May 12, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 3:01 PM by Commissioner Bonislawski. Commissioners Bonislawski, Cobb, Sheinfeld and King, Executive Director Marsha Weinerman, Karen Francis from the Election Commission and Arthur Goldberg from the city Law Department were present.

Mr. Goldberg addressed the issue of the differences in the time lines of events prior to a municipal election in Cambridge as compared to the schedule followed by other Massachusetts municipalities. He also had discussed this with the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office. The commission noted that the rather lengthy preparation time required by ballots for a PR city election with the alphabetical rotation of candidate names employed in Cambridge justified retention of the current schedule arrangement.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Bonislawski and seconded by Commissioner Cobb to accept the calendar for the upcoming Municipal Election.

The motion was passed 4-0

A motion was then made by Commissioner Bonislawski and seconded by Commissioner King to accept minutes of the April 29, 2009 as edited.

The motion was passed 4-0

The Executive Director, then presented two very similar photos of the Porter Sq. MBTA station for possible use on the cover of this years street listing book. An informal consensus of the commissioners chose the photo taken in a vertical or "portrait" perspective.

Commissioner Sheinfeld then reported the following on the validity of five voter registration addresses.

534 Massachusetts. Av. Commercial building – not valid

368 Broadway Valid - Apartment Bldg. With retail 1st Fl.

17 Jay St. Recent construction of townhouse

15 Norfolk St. Parking Lot – not valid

1243 Cambridge St. – Prospect St. – not valid

Commissioner Bonislawski reported that the Commission participated in the 2nd annual Fresh Pond day on May 9, 2009. The Commission was represented by Commissioner Bonislawski, Executive Director Marsha Weinerman, and staff members Rick Borrows and Katrina Wade.

The Executive director noted that John Silvestro and Caleb Kleppner will attend a Commission meeting in June.

Commissioner King reported that all four Commissioners and the Executive Director had attended the city budget hearings on April 30.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM.

Attested by Peter Sheinfeld, Secretary to the Board.


