

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE  
May 1, 2023**

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A meeting of the Administration Committee was held on Monday May 1, 2023. This was a hybrid meeting held both in person and electronically via ZOOM.. The meeting was called to order at 8:06 PM by Paula Irvin, Chair.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Paula Irvin, Chair; Lesley DeNardis, Vice-Chair; Katie Kiely; Kristen Zaehringer; Jeron Alston; Cory O'Brien; Bob Anthony

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**Public Input:** There was 1 speaker

The following items were addressed:

**1. Reapportionment Commission Plan and submission of Final Report**

--Moved by Ms. Kiely and seconded by Mr. O'Brien. **DISCUSSION:** Mr. Esposito, Registrar of Voters, explained the first thing the commission looked at is the present status of the LC districts and population. He explained how all of their work must be based on population and the districts must be within 5% population of each other. He displayed a map of the commission's work with equal population which shows the polling places in each district marked with a star. He explained how they had to come up with boundaries for each district taking into consideration that no sitting Council person is drawn out of their district.

Mr. McDonagh explained things taken into consideration and the most common complaint, that of being in the wrong district to vote on election day, saying 10% of the population does not vote in the same place each year. This year they utilized the State map and minimized this difficulty. There are only about 2600 people -4% who will not be in the same district. There were two districts where they moved from the state map in order to keep sitting Council people in their district, the fifth and the eighth. Mr. McDonagh thanked the commission and Andrew Kinlock for their work.

Mr. Esposito wants to recognize and thank Mr. Kinlock for all of his hard work, explaining Mr. Kinlock is the GIS coordinator for the town and produced these maps and made all this happen.

President Baez thanked the commission and staff. Ms. Kiely thanked the commission for their hard work and hopes we can focus on residents who have dual districts. Mr. Anthony thanked the commission for their hard work. Mr. Farmer thanked the commission for their work and asked what happens to this map if a polling place is closed or moved. Mr. Esposito said this is covered by State statute and there is an alternate polling site.

A vote was taken. The item passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Renta, Clerk  
Rose Lion, Assistant  
for Paula Irvin, Chair