
Sponsor: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

Meeting Date: 7/12/2022

Title: Absentee Ballot Board for 2022

File Number: 2022-366

Background and Rationale:

Minnesota Statutes section 203B.121 states that the governing body of the county must establish an absentee ballot board annually, by ordinance or resolution, to process and count absentee ballots. The Ramsey County ballot board will process and count absentee ballots issued by the County Auditor and absentee ballots issued by the municipalities who have designated this duty to the County Auditor. This action will establish the ballot board for elections held in 2022.

The absentee ballot board must consist of a sufficient number of election judges and may include deputy county auditors if additional personnel are needed. All members of the absentee ballot board must receive training in the processing and counting of absentee ballots before being appointed to the absentee ballot board. Only election judges appointed to the absentee ballot board may perform the duties found in Minnesota Statutes 203B.121, Subd. 2(b)(3) and 206.86. All members of the absentee ballot board may perform other duties set forth by applicable law.

Since July 2020, the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners has authorized the County Auditor to appoint members to serve on the absentee ballot board.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Establish a Ramsey County Absentee Ballot Board.
2. Authorize the County Auditor to appoint members to serve on the Ramsey County Absentee Ballot Board.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Reinhardt, seconded by Commissioner McDonough.

Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Carter, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Absent: - 1: Frethem

By: _____



Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board