

Saugus Board of Selectmen
September 6, 2017

*****MEETING MINUTES*****

AGENDA
Saugus Board of Selectmen
Wednesday, September 6, 2017 at 7:00 AM
Town Hall First Floor Conference Room
Saugus, MA

- 1.) Town Clerk re: request to discontinue existing voting equipment.
- 2.) Town Clerk re: request to approve the use of new voting equipment.

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The Saugus Board of Selectmen met on September 6, 2017 at 7:00 am in the Town Hall 1st Floor Conference Room, 298 Central Street. Present: Selectmen Scott Brazis, Jennifer D'Eon, Mark Mitchell and the Chairman Debra Panetta. Absent: Selectman Jeff Cicolini. The Town Clerk Ellen Schena was also present.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05am and recognized the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk explained there are only 2 voting equipment allowed to be used in Massachusetts and she chose Imagecast for two reasons: they are based in New Hampshire and they have great customer service and feels after seeing demonstrations on both machines, the Imagecast was easier to use for our Poll Workers.

The Chair said Selectman Cicolini was unable to attend and said the Town Manager told her the Board needed to meet 60 days before the election and their next meeting is September 13th so a Special Meeting needed to be scheduled and said information was sent to the Board regarding action the Board needs to take and Town Counsel has provided verbiage needed for the vote.

The Town Clerk said she did everything diligently and said the current machines are 20+ years old and the new machines are better and quicker and thanked the Board.

Selectman Brazis moved pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 54 section 34, the Board of Selectmen hereby vote to discontinue the use of Accuvote equipment for all elections and to now use Imagecast scanning and tabulation voting equipment for all future elections held in the Town of Saugus and further authorize the Town to purchase said equipment in accordance with MGL c. 30B. Chair seconds 4-0.

Selectman Brazis moved to adjourn. Chair seconds 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 AM.
Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Reed, Clerk