

LANCASTER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2025

The Board of Elections met today for an Election Board Meeting.

Present at today's meeting were:

Ray D'Agostino, Chairman
Donald R. Geiter, Vice-Chairman
Alice Yoder
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Lawrence M. George
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CHIEF CLERK

Jacquelyn Pfursich, Esquire
COUNTY SOLICITOR

Also, present were:

Christa Miller
CHIEF REGISTRAR

Marla Garza-Foiel
MTDC

Ellis Dulahart
EARLY VOTE ACTION

Commissioner D'Agostino called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

Commissioner D'Agostino announced approval of the February 12, 2025, and the February 19, 2025, Election Board meeting minutes.

Public Hearing re: Proposed Polling Place Changes

Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar

Commissioner D'Agostino opened the public hearing at 11:03 a.m.

As discussed at the previous Election Board meeting the following polling places are being moved for the 2025, Special Election: East Hempfield Township – Landisville District is temporarily moving from The Church of God of Landisville to Hempfield Church of the Brethren; East Hempfield Township – Roherstown District is temporarily moving from Church of the Apostles to Community Fellowship Church; Manheim Township – First District is permanently moving from the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church to Faith United Methodist Church, due to Mount Calvary Lutheran Church no longer being available; Manheim Township – Third District is temporarily moving from St. Peter's Lutheran Church to Lancaster Association of Realtors; Manheim Township – Sixteenth District is temporarily moving from St. Peter's Lutheran Church to Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home; Manheim Township – Eighteenth District is temporarily moving from Manheim Township Municipal Office to Lancaster Church of the Brethren; Manheim Township – Twenty-Second District will be moved from Mount Calvary Lutheran Church to Neffsville Fire Station for the Special Election and moved again for the Primary Election; Mount Joy Township – Hershey Road District is temporarily moving from Mount Calvary Ministry Center to Alliance Church, Warwick Township – Southwest District is permanently moving from Hosanna! A Fellowship of Christians to St. James Catholic Church due to Hosanna! A Fellowship of Christians no longer being available.

Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar stated the change to the Manheim Township – Seventh District, from Residence Inn by Marriott Lancaster to Michael's Motor Cars will be voted on next week.

Resident Marla Garza-Foiel asked clarifying questions about polling location changes.

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Commissioner D’Agostino closed the public hearing at 11:09 a.m.

ELECTION BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 3 OF 2025

On motion of Donald R. Geiter, seconded by Commissioner Yoder;

WHEREAS, at a public meeting on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, the Lancaster County Board of Elections approved posting notification of proposed polling place changes effective with the March 25, 2025, Special Election, and of a hearing to be held in the Commissioners’ Public Meeting Room on February 26, 2025, at the 11:00 a.m. Board of Elections meeting.

WHEREAS, proper notices of said changes were posted by the Chief Clerk of Elections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, that the Board hereby designates the following polling places changes, effective with the 2025 Special Election.

FROM

TO

<p>The Church of God of Landisville 171 Church St. Landisville, 17538</p>	<p><u>#4911: East Hempfield Township – Landisville District</u> Hempfield Church of the Brethren 1186 Stevens St. (Rear) Manheim, 17545</p>
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<p>Church of the Apostles 1850 Marietta Ave Lancaster, 17603</p>	<p><u>#4915: East Hempfield Township – Roherstown District</u> Community Fellowship Church 200 Bethel Dr Lancaster, 17601</p>
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<p>Mount Calvary Lutheran Church 308 Petersburg Rd. Lititz, 17543</p>	<p><u>#5701: Manheim Township – First District</u> Faith United Methodist Church 1290 Fruitville Pike Lititz, 17543</p>
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<p>St. Peter’s Lutheran Church 10 Delp Rd. Lancaster, 17601</p>	<p><u>#5703: Manheim Township – Third District</u> Lancaster Association of Realtors 1930 Harrington Dr. Lancaster, 17601</p>
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<p>St. Peter’s Lutheran Church 10 Delp Rd. Lancaster, 17601</p>	<p><u>#5716: Manheim Township – Sixteenth District</u> Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home 3110 Lititz Pike Lititz, 17543</p>
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<p>Manheim Township Municipal Office 1840 Municipal Drive Lancaster, 17601</p>	<p><u>#5718: Manheim Township – Eighteenth District</u> Lancaster Church of the Brethren 1601 Sunset Ave Lancaster, 17601</p>
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<p>Mount Calvary Lutheran Church 308 Petersburg Rd. Lititz, 17543</p>	<p><u>#5722: Manheim Township – Twenty-Second District</u> Neffsville Fire Station 200 E Oregon Rd. Lititz, 17543</p>
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<p>Mount Calvary Ministry Center 45 Veterans Dr. Elizabethtown, 17022</p>	<p><u>#6004: Mount Joy Township – Hershey Road District</u> Alliance Church 425 Cloverleaf Rd. Elizabethtown, 17022</p>
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#6910: Warwick Township – Southwest District

Hosanna! A Fellowship of Christians
29 Green Acre Rd.
Lititz, 17543

St. James Catholic Church
505 Woodcrest Ave
Lititz, 17543

Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner D'Agostino asked Christa Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar, to explain how voters will be notified of polling place changes. Christa stated that for permanent polling place changes, voters will receive a postcard informing them of the new location. For temporary polling place changes, voters will receive a letter explaining the reason for the change. In addition, signs will be posted at the previous polling locations directing voters to the new addresses, with signage provided in both English and Spanish. Christa also noted that information about the polling place changes will be posted on the county website and published in the newspaper.

Michael Fitzpatrick confirmed that now that final approval has been obtained, the polling place changes will be communicated through media coverage, county newsletters, and county social media feeds.

Marla Garza-Foiel expressed concern about the postcards that will be going out to the public whether people will notice them or believe they are legitimate. She suggested having a copy of the postcard posted on the County Board of Elections website.

Ellis Dulahart asked about signage for the polling place changes.

ELECTION BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2025

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Commissioner Donald R. Geiter;

WHEREAS, the following polling place is being moved for the 2025 Special Election: Manheim Township – Seventh District is temporarily moving from Residence Inn Lancaster to Michael's Motor Cars due to the former's unavailability for the Special Election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, that the Chief Clerk be and is hereby directed to post the proper notices of the following proposed polling place change effective with the March 25, 2025 Special Election, and of hearing thereon to be held in the Commissioners Public Meeting Room, 150 North Queen Street, Administration Building, 7th Floor Room 701, Lancaster, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, following the Commissioners' public meeting which starts at 9:15 a.m.

FROM

Residence Inn by Marriott Lancaster
1450 Harrisburg Pike
Lancaster, 17601

TO

#5707: Manheim Township – Seventh District

Michael's Motor Cars
922 N Queen St.
Lancaster, 17603

Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner D'Agostino asked Christa Miller to talk about the date setting for accepting mail ballots. Christa Miller stated that date range for the Special election to accept mail in ballots will be February 21st, 2025 through March 25, 2025.

On motion of Donald R. Geiter, seconded by Commissioner Yoder, it was agreed for the County of Lancaster, for the March 25, 2025 Special Election, to canvass and count mail-in and absentee ballots that are signed and dated with dates ranging from February 21 through March 25, 2025.

Motion passed unanimously.

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Update on the March 25, 2025 Special Election and May 20, 2025 Primary Election

Miller, Chief Clerk/Chief Registrar, Board of Elections

Christa Miller reported that for the Special Election the county currently has 184,773 eligible voters of that 13,111 have requested mail in ballots. The mail house currently has those ballots and is projected to get those in the mail in Monday March 3rd, 2025. She stated that we are right on track. Once the mail in ballots go out in the mail they will be available at the counter. Christa stated that for the Primary Election there are currently 356,039 current registered voters and there are 14,877 current requests for mail in ballots.

Commissioner Yoder requested an explanation about what the parameters have to be followed when picking a polling location.

On motion of Commissioner Yoder, seconded by Donald R. Geiter, the meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,



Hannah Cody, Executive Assistant
Commissioners' Office