

ROVAC TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE JULY 27, 2017 MEETING

Attendees: Lisbeth Becker, Marla Cowden, Lisa Santangelo, Dorothy Mrowka, Stuart Wells, Anne-Marie Mastroianni, Jack Richmond Lou Battipaglia, Dorothy Mrowka and Ann Kilby.
Guests: Sue DeCarli, Wethersfield; Lauren Olson of Ashford; Mike Wyman, Tolland; Douglas Lary Election Moderator Windham County; Ted Bromley and, Lou Button, SOTS.

Ann Kilby was appointed temporary Chair to conduct elections.

Chair and Secretary for the 2017/2018 Term

- Ann Kilby made a motion to have **Lisbeth Becker as our Chair**. Mike Wyman seconded. All voted in favor of this motion.
- Dot Mrowka made a motion to have **Ann Kilby as our Secretary**. Ann-Marie Mastroianni seconded. All voted in favor of this motion.

Lisbeth opened the meeting at 10:03 am

ROVAC Technology Committee Members for 2017/2018

County	Member(s)
Hartford	Lisbeth Becker, Ann Kilby
Fairfield	Stuart Wells, Marla Cowden
Litchfield	Anne-Marie Mastroianni
Middlesex	Lis Santangelo, Lou Battipaglia
New Haven	
New London	Dorothy Mrowka
Tolland	Josh Lambert, Jack Richmond

Approve – May 25, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Lisbeth asked if they were any changes to these meeting minutes. No changes. All attendees accepted these minutes.

Report on DMV July 13, 2017 Meeting

Attendees at the DMV meeting from Technology Committee: Marla Cowden, Westport; Lou Battipaglia, Durham; Ted Bromley of SOTS. Other ROVAC members in attendance included Tim DiCarlo, Waterbury; Sue Larsen, South Windsor, Paul Duarte, Groton, Charlie Murray, Glastonbury.

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Ted presented the following information:

- Data Issues
 - o DMV does not distinguish certain towns (i.e. Mystic and Stonington). One possible solution would be using the last 4 digits of the zip code. DMV is looking from the ROV or SOTS to provide direction. Discussion item was that ROV or SOTS would discuss with the Post Office to find the solution.
 - o Unit numbers – to expand address line beyond current 20 characters would require expansion of other lines – DMV acknowledges importance of issue.
- DMV registering 16 and 17 years old where 17 years old will not be 18 by Election Day. Solution: Ted Bromley needs examples where voter registration is coming in for individuals who are 16 years old from the ROVs. This is needed since DMV does not agree that this is a problem.

For 17 years old that will not be 18 by Election Day – The workaround is that the ROV should handle this problem. During this meeting, it was suggested developed a “Best Practices Solution”.

- DMV – PHASE 2 – Utilize KIOSK WORKSTATIONS – DMV would like ROV be involved in the design process. No date for meeting has been established. SOTS and DMV will meet again within next two weeks and then will schedule another meeting with ROVAC.

Peg Reese will be documenting the DMV Meeting for the attendees. These will be forwarded upon completion.

Impact of DMV Changes on Processes Written in Statute

- Discussion was when a voter comes to DMV and changes their address to another CT town. In this situation, the town with the “off” status, the ROV mails a letter to the voter stating the voter is removed from the town and then in the new town, the ROV mails an “Acceptance Letter to the voter that the new town has registered the voter. Since this process is performed within days, the voter received 2 pieces of information and it could be confusing to the voter. According to Ted, we cannot change this process since it is a Federal Statute under NVRA.

CVRS Discussion

- Elizabeth Santangelo stated she encountered problems when using Print Screen Facility to print voter information from the Inquiry Function. She has informed Steve Mason. Ted Bromley is aware of the problem and was created from a Windows Upgrade. Right now, Steve is still working on the problem and the possible solution is a Windows patch.

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- Ted suggested reviewing CVRS Updates from the CVRS system for current changes.
- Current Problems which Ted is aware of:
 - o Petitions – Cannot delete old petition information
 - o Specific Situation: A voter who was registered in Town A as a Republican and moves to Town B and they changed their party to Unaffiliated and within a few weeks the voter is changed their party to a Democrat or Republican. The system puts a 3-month waiting period for the party change. (The party change should be automatic).

Stress Test – Schedule

Ted Bromley would like it to be on a Tuesday. Possible dates discussed were: October 3rd and October 10th. The ROVAC Technology Committee would provide information by end of August on date and time.

Appointment of Committee To Review Voting Machines

The suggestion to research, well in advance of the end of useful life of current voting tabulators, was discussed. Ted indicated that SOTS must go through a Request for Information (RFI) and Request for Proposal (RFP), any earlier involvement would compromise that process. ROVAC Tech Committee members are free to investigate but it may be premature.

Ted Bromley suggested that the ROVAC Technology Committee would document current problems with the voting equipment. The first task would be Committee contact LHS and see if they have a list of problems that have occurred with the CT voting machines.

The Committee will discuss this issue at our next meeting.

Fall Conference – Recommendations to Education Committee Regarding Presentations On Issues Before Technology Committee

The attendees discussed the following items:

- Duplicate Process – Ted Bromley suggested that SOTS with a member of the Technology Committee presented a duplicate process. Ted only can focus on the laws. ROV can talk about “Best Practices”. Susan DeCarli and Lisbeth Becker indicated that Camille Mogelnicki has a presentation readily available for review..
- Election Management System (EMS) – Concern were made that can the audience can see what is being presented if we do a session at the conference. Ted discussed having a few training sessions, but it might not be held in every county. Since the November 2016 Election, about 50 changes have been made to the program.
- Primary Petitions – Ted indicated this remains the most called about subject.

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- EDR – Best Practices and Registering the Voter on Election Day

IVS – New Features and Changes; Additional Information

Stuart Wells discussed with Yung Nguyen of IVS several user interfaces (IU) that IVS was planning in the handicap voting system, which are:

IMPROVEMENTS:

- Cell phone lines touch screen changes.
 - Scroll up or down using finger on the screen (rather than slide bar)
 - Two fingers closing or opening to reduce or enlarge the printing. Useful for voters who limited vision that need “big printing”.
- Option to speed up the verbal delivery of the candidates and instructions in the audio ballot.
- Some test deck options for more or fewer ballots – (Committee discussed and recommended a minimum of 15 per precinct for central count AB & EDR).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Yung is also going to see if reading the tabulator tapes with scanner & OCR software is feasible.

Stuart is going to try to demo the current system at places in Norwalk like the senior center and assisted living facilities to:

1. Get more people to use it on election day
2. Get feedback especially the questions that 1st time users ask

This will help us improve poll worker training and maybe even point out some other possible system improvements.

Yung is quite open to good ideas.

Ted Bromley suggested the ROVAC Technology Committee inform the ROV that they should not be using the IVS printer in the ROV office.

Old Business

CVRS Discussion (For all the below items, the attendee discussed these items in our meeting and Ted will investigate the status or the possibility of implementing the below changes.)

- CAPABILITY TO PRINT VOTER REGISTRATION CARD WITH THE TOP PART (5 BY 8)
- Batch Processing For Placing Voters In Inactive Status For Canvassing Process
Discussion was held about what would be the most feasible method. The consensus was to perform this process similar to the “Who Voted Process”. The

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option would be placed in “Inactive”, Leave It Alone, or “Off” Status Based on Canvass. Ted Bromley will discuss this feature with Steve Mason.

- Report download function. The group would like to see greater flexibility for types of downloadable reports. CVS Format For All Reports (especially the Voter Who Voted In An Election (Including Voter ID, Voter Information and Election History)

Next Meeting:

Next Meeting is scheduled for Oct 5, 2017 10: 00 am at Riverfront Community Center, 300 Welles Street, Glastonbury. Please supply your agenda items to Lisbeth Becker by September 22, 2017.

Sincerely,

Lisbeth Becker, Chair

Ann M. Kilby, Secretary