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ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Suzanne Brown,  
Executive Assistant to the Board.

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Monday Afternoon Session,  
December 9, 2013.

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DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Good afternoon,  
everyone. I would like to call the Franklin County  
Board of Elections meeting to order.

I shall do a roll-call. Kimberly  
Marinello.

MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

MEMBER HAAS: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Dana Preisse.

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And Bradley Sinnott.

MEMBER SINNOTT: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman, we are  
all here and accounted for.

The first item on the agenda would be to  
approve the minutes of several Board meetings, about  
four meeting minutes.

MEMBER HAAS: I move that the Board  
approve the minutes of the November 5, November 19,  
November 25, and November 27, 2013, meetings of the  
Franklin County Board of Elections as submitted.

1 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

3 I will sign and I will pass this for  
4 everybody to sign.

5 The second item on the agenda would be  
6 the recount for Truro Township. We had -- do you  
7 have anything to add, Dana, for that?

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: No. I don't know  
9 if Jeff had anything. The vote count in that race  
10 was extremely close. We conducted a recount on  
11 December 4 of that which we had a meeting about a  
12 couple of weeks ago to poll the precincts for. There  
13 was no change in the results per the recount so.

14 MEMBER MARINELLO: In that case I move  
15 that the Board certify the results of the recount  
16 conducted on December 4 in the Truro Township Trustee  
17 race as submitted by the staff.

18 MEMBER SINNOTT: Second.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

20 That motion carries.

21 I can't write and type -- write and type.

22 MEMBER MARINELLO: Talk.

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The next item on the  
24 agenda would be the recount of the Reynoldsburg

1 School District.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: This was the same  
3 sort of scenario. We polled precincts for this at a  
4 meeting a couple of weeks ago. Very close race  
5 between all four actually to elect three spots but  
6 the recount triggered between the third and fourth  
7 spot. We conducted a recount on December 5 and there  
8 was no change in this one either from what the  
9 official results showed.

10 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move that the Board  
11 certify the results of the recount conducted on  
12 December 5 in the Reynoldsburg School District member  
13 race as submitted by the staff.

14 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

15 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

17 That motion also carries.

18 The next item on the agenda Dana and I  
19 have had a discussion about this and we both agree --  
20 did I miss one? The Pickerington, all right, I can't  
21 even see either.

22 The next item on the agenda is  
23 Pickerington School District, certify the recount.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: This is one we

1       only had a small portion of Pickerington -- the  
2       Pickerington School District here in Franklin County,  
3       but the race was close enough that the Secretary of  
4       State did order a recount.

5               We didn't select any precincts in it  
6       because we just recounted the whole thing because we  
7       didn't have that many votes cast here so we just went  
8       ahead and recounted the entire portion of Franklin  
9       County. This one is just slightly different in that  
10      because we are not the most populous county or this  
11      being contained here, we are asking you to certify  
12      just the Franklin County portion of this race but  
13      there was no change from our official canvass on this  
14      race either.

15             MEMBER HAAS: I move that the Board  
16      certify the Franklin County results of the recount  
17      conducted on December 5 in the Pickerington School  
18      District member race as submitted by the staff.

19             MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

20             DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

21             All right. The motion carries.

22             Now, I got ahead of myself on the motion  
23      on the items on the agenda so I was trying to sign  
24      and read at the same time so I should not do that.

1           The next item on the agenda would be Dana  
2 and I had a discussion, and we would like to give our  
3 employees December 26 and December 27 off. We think  
4 that they deserve it, most of them anyway -- no, all  
5 of them. I don't want that in the minutes. We have  
6 a lot of hard working employees and that's kind of a  
7 strange week since Christmas falls on Wednesday. We  
8 figure we aren't going to have too many folks in the  
9 office that Thursday and Friday so decided to just go  
10 ahead and officially close on those two days.

11           DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: There are no  
12 major filing deadlines or anything like that. We do  
13 expect that obviously to be a very slow time for us.

14           MEMBER MARINELLO: And I move that the  
15 Franklin County Board of Elections be closed on  
16 Thursday, December 26, and Friday, December 27.

17           MEMBER SINNOTT: Second.

18           DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

19           Motion carries.

20           The Board and I and Dana and the  
21 employees -- on behalf of the employees and Dana and  
22 myself, thank you for that.

23           The next item on the agenda will be the  
24 Gahanna ward boundary changes. You have a map here

1 in front of you there of the new polls -- precincts  
2 for Gahanna.

3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Suzanne, were  
4 there not two separate maps?

5 MS. BROWN: Are there two separate ones?

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: I thought so.  
7 There was an original Gahanna precincts and proposed.

8 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I have the proposed.

9 MEMBER HAAS: I have the original.

10 MS. BROWN: Which one did I give you? I  
11 only have four copies.

12 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I got proposed.

13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: They are the  
14 important ones.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I need an original.

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: If the members of  
17 the Board remember, Mr. Haas might not, he wasn't I  
18 believe on the Board when we took this up earlier in  
19 2013, but if you remember, Gahanna had proposed  
20 these -- some more boundary changes earlier in the  
21 year, but after consultation with the Secretary of  
22 State's Office, the ward boundaries did not conform  
23 to the census geography as is required and Ohio  
24 Revised Code so we went back and Jeff and Matt Roche

1 back there who is our main map maker guy actually sat  
2 down with the City of Gahanna and worked on this and  
3 have come up with the map that is before you. This  
4 was passed a week or so ago, I believe, by City  
5 Council in Gahanna. We bring it before you today for  
6 approval so that these ward boundaries can be  
7 adjusted accordingly.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: They are not going to  
9 be rejected this time.

10 MR. MACKEY: We are only going to request  
11 one waiver. There was a line that already existed  
12 and was approved by the Secretary of State previously  
13 so I -- we don't expect any issues with that.

14 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move that the Board  
15 accept the new ward boundary lines submitted by the  
16 City of Gahanna and approve the resulting proposed  
17 precinct boundary revisions developed by the Board of  
18 Elections staff.

19 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

20 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.

21 That motion carries.

22 We have a personnel matter that we want  
23 to bring before the Board. Last month we hired Julia  
24 Manifold to be Special Projects Coordinator. After

1 careful consideration and thinking, we decided to  
2 move her in as the Training Coordinator in the  
3 Precinct Election Official Department. We think that  
4 will be a better fit for her so we are bringing that  
5 before the Board.

6 MEMBER HAAS: I move that the Board  
7 transfer Julia Jiner-Manifold to the position of  
8 Training Coordinator in the Precinct Election  
9 Official Department beginning Monday, December 9,  
10 2013, at a compensation rate of \$25 an hour.

11 MEMBER MARINELLO: Second.

12 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor.  
13 Her name is Jiner, the J is an H. I got in trouble  
14 for that.

15 The next item on the agenda I am going to  
16 move. We are going to do a budget update, but I  
17 don't see our budget person here. She told me she  
18 was on her way down so when she comes down, we will  
19 update you on the budget.

20 But we want to talk about our move to our  
21 new facility, kind of update the Board on what's  
22 going on with that. And I have a layout. You can't  
23 see it on the table here, but we have been working  
24 with PFM and the developer for the past -- about a

1 month, I would say, several months.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: At least a month  
3 or so.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: At least a month to  
5 figure out how we are going to do the layout of the  
6 1700 Morse Road. We have gone through a lot of  
7 variations of what we think is pretty much our final  
8 floor layout and design. We haven't signed off on it  
9 yet. We made a few other alterations, but we thought  
10 it would be good to bring you guys up to -- up to  
11 speed on there.

12 We still have a -- we are still looking  
13 at trying to do a June move in, June through July  
14 move in, but then I think that we may have to take  
15 another look at that, maybe phase-in move, maybe move  
16 the administrative offices in first and then move the  
17 warehouse in later on.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Later on meaning?

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: After the November  
20 election.

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Yeah. Out there  
22 if we -- if we can't move in by the June 1-July 15  
23 timeframe we've given which is originally what Bill  
24 and I gave to the County to Public Facilities

1 Management because that would be after the primary  
2 but prior to us really getting into the meat of the  
3 November gubernatorial election, the idea is now if  
4 we can't make all the changes prior to that, as Bill  
5 said, move the administrative offices and even try  
6 and maybe work out of the current warehouse up until  
7 the election, deliver the machines out to the polling  
8 locations on election day in November, but bring them  
9 back to the new location afterwards. That way we are  
10 only moving them once instead of moving them back and  
11 forth, that sort of thing, ahead of time.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Moving the voting  
13 machines out for their use and then the data  
14 collection center would become the new that night of  
15 the election?

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: It would depend  
17 on if it was all ready to go or not, but we have  
18 talked about returning the machines the day, two days  
19 after the election then to the new location.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Not on election night.

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: No. We don't  
22 bring the machines back on election night. We just  
23 bring the results information back.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I see. Okay. Where

1 would we be taking the bags?

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Well, it would  
3 depend on how well we are doing on moving everything  
4 in. If we've moved what we call our cage operations  
5 area out of the current warehouse, if that's been  
6 able to be moved to the new location, but some of  
7 that would be dependent on how we do with the new --  
8 with the building of the new facility.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: So we will be prepared  
10 to do returns and everything out on Morse -- I mean,  
11 out at the warehouse if we have to. Our hope would  
12 be to do it all there, but if things happen we can't,  
13 we'll just do the election night stuff at the -- at  
14 the -- at our old facility.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Two items that we  
16 wanted to bring to the Board's attention, this move  
17 up to the Morse Road location that we think will help  
18 us tremendously, first, is obviously the bringing  
19 together of the operational office here of the  
20 administrative offices with the warehouse and having  
21 us all under one roof. We feel that will be greatly  
22 beneficial to us.

23 The other thing as you will see in the  
24 drawing there is considerable space at this new

1 location for training areas. We rent out a number of  
2 spaces all throughout the county when we do training  
3 of poll workers. That costs, you know, a decent  
4 amount of money. It's not a huge amount, but it's  
5 pretty considerable. A lot of that we will be able  
6 to bring in-house now at the Board of Elections and  
7 save us the cost of renting other facilities. There  
8 will still be some -- some places that we do rent.  
9 In the southern part of the county, for example, we  
10 try to make it convenient for our poll workers to go  
11 to more regionalized training if they can. But a  
12 great deal we believe we can now bring under our roof  
13 at the Board of Elections that we can't currently do  
14 here at this facility.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And we -- it is our  
16 desire to plan to have the vote center up and  
17 operational at the Morse Road facility so early  
18 voting will take place at the Morse Road facility.  
19 We should be at this point.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: This facility  
21 will accommodate early voting for every election but  
22 the presidential.

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Yes.

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: It does not have,

1 I think as we have discussed before, adequate space  
2 for us to do the presidential election at the early  
3 vote center there, but as we do here, it would  
4 accommodate, you know, the early in-person voting for  
5 every other election that we do other than the  
6 presidential.

7 It does also include, I think as we have  
8 talked about before, moving the county print shop up  
9 with us. That is in that back left corner there,  
10 Mr. Chairman. The county print shop will move up  
11 with us because we work very close with the print  
12 shop in our absentee program with our Relia-Vote  
13 system, works very, very well. They are currently in  
14 the basement of this building. They will be moving  
15 up with us so we've got that proximity for the  
16 printing of ballots for absentee voting at that time.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: So it's going to be a  
18 busy year, 2014.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Who signed this here  
20 as owner's representative?

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: That is a woman  
22 by the name of Cigarette Parks. Cig is Pizutti.  
23 Pizutti was brought on to be the project manager on  
24 behalf of the County on this. As you can see, we

1 have made a couple of changes. That's why we have  
2 not signed off on it yet.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think that it might  
4 be nice to have a --

5 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Smaller version?

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: No, actually a  
7 description from the Pizutti people. I don't have  
8 that understanding. I would like to understand a  
9 little bit better the thought that has gone into and  
10 continues to go into, you know, the usage, the  
11 operational space, and some of the issues we have  
12 talked about in the past about security, issues we  
13 have dealt with in the last several years as it  
14 relates to storage and election night and the cage  
15 and all that.

16 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Would you like --  
17 should we try to set up a meeting with Cigarette and  
18 Pizutti and some more folks?

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I would enjoy that.  
20 It is up to my colleagues whether they would care to  
21 see it or not.

22 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: I think we could  
23 certainly arrange that, make that -- make that  
24 happen, do a presentation because the meeting is

1 pretty interesting. And you guys are the tenant. We  
2 are -- we are referred to as tenants in all these  
3 meetings, and since you guys are the decision maker  
4 it probably would be good to at least have a meeting.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yeah, I would think I  
6 would like to do that.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We will so note it  
8 then.

9 The move has been -- it is getting ready  
10 to get really interesting now. Now, normally, Doug,  
11 when they call a meeting, they just do it and tell me  
12 and Dana we need to be there so we haven't had a lot  
13 of luck in trying to set when the meeting is. We  
14 just normally attend it when they tell us to show up.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: They meaning the  
16 County Administrator's Office?

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Pizutti's is kind of  
18 like leading up the charge here so.

19 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: On behalf of the  
20 County Administrators.

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: On behalf of the  
22 County Administrators.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Let's suggest to them  
24 the actual end line tenant is interested so some of

1 us are interested in --

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: My bosses want to  
3 attend the meeting.

4 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I suspect there will  
5 be a positive response and if there isn't, then we  
6 will deal with it otherwise.

7 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: We'll make it work.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Great.

9 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: That's all I had on  
10 the move in. Do you have anything?

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: That's all I  
12 have.

13 What Brenna just passed out to each of  
14 you is the stapled packet. There is an update on  
15 where we stand budgetwise for 2013. We do go on a  
16 calendar year budget so we are wrapping up the  
17 calendar year budget. We believe we will be good  
18 through the end of the year on our current  
19 appropriation.

20 And then the one sheet in front of you is  
21 our request for 2014 which is a little over \$9.3  
22 million which the Commissioners have not yet voted  
23 on. We had our meeting with them last week, and we  
24 don't think there is any reason to believe they are

1 not going to pass it at their next meeting when they  
2 do all the agency budgets.

3 So we took this from looking at past like  
4 election years and believe there is adequate funds  
5 there to suffice for next year.

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And you'll see not  
7 included in the budget is the cost of the move to the  
8 new facility. We were told that cost would not -- we  
9 would not bear that cost so we did not include any  
10 costs towards the move at all in our 2014 budget.

11 MS. UMBSTAETTER: If for any reason they  
12 would like to show that on our books, there will be a  
13 supplemental appropriation into our budget for that,  
14 but since we don't have a number yet, that's kind of  
15 up in the air.

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: We brought that  
17 up to the Commissioners last week. It is yet to be  
18 determined whose budget that's actually going to fall  
19 under, the cost of moving, whether that will fall  
20 under Facilities Management's budget or whether they  
21 will do some sort of supplemental appropriation to  
22 the Board of Elections to pay for the actual moving  
23 costs of moving us up to Morse Road.

24 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Brenna, what

1 constitutes the principal portion of the \$1.1 million  
2 increase from '10 to '14?

3 MS. UMBSTAETTER: I'm sorry. I didn't  
4 follow you.

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: If you are looking at  
6 the actual in 2010, 8.3, and the estimated request  
7 here for '14, also a gubernatorial year, about \$1.1  
8 million, what greater -- can you say what constitutes  
9 the principal part of that million dollar increase?

10 MS. UMBSTAETTER: If you look at the  
11 subtotals that make up the total request, you'll see  
12 quite a difference between the personal services  
13 total in '10 and in '14.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Is that the --

15 MS. UMBSTAETTER: That's over \$400,000 so  
16 that encompasses both our full-time staff, all of our  
17 seasonals, and also the poll workers are included in  
18 that roll-up. So --

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: That reflects pay  
20 raises that we accepted from the Board -- from the  
21 County?

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Well, certainly  
23 our payroll from 2010 to 2014 has -- is higher due to  
24 some pay raises that are out there, so I don't know

1 if that encompasses all of it but that is certainly  
2 part of it. If I remember, Brenna, I wasn't here in  
3 2010, there was -- was there a supplemental on top of  
4 the 8.3 final budget too?

5 MS. UMBSTAETTER: No. Those are the  
6 actual expenditures.

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Those are the  
8 actual, okay.

9 MEMBER SINNOTT: That does reflect about  
10 a 10 percent increase in personnel costs over the  
11 space of four years. The larger category though,  
12 increase in materials and services, that's an  
13 increase of \$650,000 since the time of the last  
14 similar election. What are materials and services?

15 MS. UMBSTAETTER: There's a variety of  
16 expenses included in that. All of our consulting  
17 fees constitute a large part of that. Election  
18 supplies are always a large portion. But a lot of  
19 the -- all of the expenses of maintaining our office  
20 are in there as well so equipment leases, office  
21 supplies. If you look at the financial statement,  
22 you'll see on the left-hand side a listing of line  
23 items starting toward the bottom of the first page.  
24 So professional services includes any consultant and

1 Kids Voting as well so that's a combination of  
2 support hours on our system, maintenance and things  
3 like, our bipartisan consulting team on media  
4 campaigns, our support --

5 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: We pay trainers  
6 out of that section too, do we not?

7 MS. UMBSTAETTER: No. The trainers are  
8 included in the personal services.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Oh, okay.

10 MS. UMBSTAETTER: They are classified in  
11 the system as seasonals. And a significant portion  
12 of this increase is -- is going to fall under that  
13 because I believe we've increased our count on  
14 trainers significantly.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: We have beefed up  
16 our training over the last few years to better train  
17 our poll workers, have them ready, so that would be  
18 part of the addition to the personal services line.

19 MEMBER SINNOTT: So it looks as though --

20 MS. UMBSTAETTER: I will provide you with  
21 a report that details the '14 numbers. We just  
22 wanted to give you an opportunity --

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: This is the  
24 year-to-date '13. I think that since -- I would be

1 interested in knowing that 1.9 where the jumps are.  
2 I guess the 0 under grants, is that reflecting that  
3 we decided we ought not engage?

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: We used to  
5 classify -- that was the grant we made to the Kids  
6 Voting Program. We recategorized that as an actual  
7 contract so that now falls under the materials and  
8 services outlay so we just put that instead of being  
9 a grant it is now a personal services contract.

10 MS. UMBSTAETTER: That was the  
11 recommendation from --

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Prosecutor's.

13 MS. UMBSTAETTER: -- the Prosecutor's  
14 Office.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Brad originally  
16 brought up the unauthorized nature of that.

17 MS. UMBSTAETTER: This was always a  
18 portion of the Kids Voting fee in the professional  
19 services which was for -- by election for recruiting,  
20 training, so now instead of being split it's all in  
21 this one total.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Right. Okay.

23 MEMBER SINNOTT: On a happier note it  
24 looks as though our capital outlay budget is

1 appreciably reduced from where it was in 2010. Is  
2 that because we are able to lease less equipment now?

3 MS. UMBSTAETTER: 2010, what did we buy  
4 in 2010? I'll --

5 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think it was a  
6 Relia-Vote expenditure, wasn't it?

7 MS. UMBSTAETTER: About 300,000 is a  
8 Relia-Vote lease. We have a need periodically to buy  
9 additional server space primarily for our scanned  
10 images because I understand that takes up a great  
11 deal of storage space to have all of those digital  
12 files. So we work with the data center, and they let  
13 us know when there is a need for that. We also have  
14 had equipment purchases that would fall under that.

15 MEMBER SINNOTT: As we describe our line  
16 items of spending and capital outlays for 2013,  
17 virtually everything is in the category of equipment  
18 lease. Year-to-date that has been \$307,000 --  
19 \$311,000 expended.

20 MS. UMBSTAETTER: That equipment lease  
21 line under capital is the Relia-Vote absentee voting  
22 system exclusively. Now, this is distorted due to a  
23 timing difference where a couple of payments for 2012  
24 were actually made in 2013. There was a problem

1 between our count and the county's count with Pitney  
2 Bowes in their billing system and I don't know how it  
3 happened and I don't think they are sure how it  
4 happened, but I saw a scramble of information where  
5 locations and account numbers and equipment  
6 descriptions were all scrambled between our operation  
7 and theirs. So until Pitney Bowes was able to  
8 resolve that, we put a hold on all of their invoices.

9 The new lease total is just under  
10 300,000. You'll see on the budget line for this year  
11 the 303,000 figure, that -- I believe that we had to  
12 finalize that number last year before we had a  
13 finalized total on the lease. There was some kind of  
14 a variable involved depending on how they work the  
15 documents that had to do with some of their internal  
16 things. I will check the new contract. I believe  
17 the Relia lease on its own for 12 months is about  
18 297, and then you see a software license above that  
19 that is also Relia-Vote. That cost has come down  
20 because they restructured and reprogrammed that  
21 function.

22 MEMBER SINNOTT: Our nonseasonal employee  
23 head count would be about the same in '14 that it was  
24 in '10; is that correct?

1 MS. UMBSTAETTER: It should be very  
2 similar. We see a bigger increase in the  
3 presidential years because obviously volumes are  
4 higher on registrations and on absentee ballot  
5 processing. Precinct election officials will vary  
6 more with how many precincts are participating in an  
7 election so from one even year to the next it's just  
8 a matter of how we are staffing per precinct, but we  
9 still are working with all of our precincts.

10 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And it could change  
11 like this -- this next year we have got a February  
12 special. We didn't have a special in '10, I don't  
13 believe.

14 MS. UMBSTAETTER: I don't think so.

15 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: And so it's a small  
16 one. It's not going to have a dramatic increase, but  
17 we still have a special coming in February. We're  
18 not sure if there will be an August special so we  
19 have to be prepared for those. We don't know if we  
20 are going to have an August special or not. We also  
21 don't know if there is going to be any statewide  
22 initiatives and that could -- that could change some  
23 of our -- our personal services total if there is a  
24 lot of petitions we have to count. We got hit with

1 quite a few this year but who knows what will happen  
2 in '14. There may be a lot in '14 or there may not  
3 be any in '14.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: I think there will a few  
5 things I would like to know. We don't have to know  
6 them now. One is I would be interested in seeing a  
7 nonseasonal employee comparison of head counts of the  
8 Board for 2010 to our projection for 2014.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: You are talking about  
10 full-time employees.

11 MEMBER SINNOTT: Nonseasonal, ones that  
12 are not hired to support the elections. And probably  
13 it is likely just races that would account for the  
14 difference between personal services total for '10  
15 and '14. It's 10 percent over four years, would not  
16 be surprising. I would like to know how it is or why  
17 it is we were proposing to spend \$650,000 more on  
18 materials and services in '14 than in '10. That  
19 strikes me --

20 MEMBER HAAS: Although we are looking at  
21 a request versus the actual. Maybe we should look  
22 at -- before we jump to the conclusion about this we  
23 have got to look at what was requested that year  
24 because you are flying blind going in in terms of

1 what we are going to have in terms of a primary or  
2 petitions or other specials so we have got to look  
3 and see what the request was on that.

4 MEMBER SINNOTT: Yeah, good point because  
5 we don't have any information what was requested in  
6 2010.

7 MS. UMBSTAETTER: I worked with the  
8 report from two years ago, and at that time it may  
9 have had an additional column for the beginning  
10 budget for 2010 and the actual expense at year end,  
11 and I can be pull that up if it's not included in the  
12 spreadsheet and add that in to see what kind of  
13 difference. Some years we come very close on total  
14 expenditures to what was appropriated. And other  
15 years we are able to turn money back to the general  
16 fund which pays us some goodwill from the  
17 Commissioners and the Office of Management and  
18 Budget.

19 If we were to have an August special,  
20 that is considered a true contingency and we are not  
21 expected to absorb all of that from the existing  
22 appropriations, able to that's delightful, but they  
23 recognize at the County that that is something we  
24 cannot anticipate either the occurrence of one and

1 all or how many precincts will be involved in the  
 2 cost.

3 MEMBER SINNOTT: The third thing that I  
 4 would like to know is how we have been able to reduce  
 5 our capital outlays expenditure by about 40 percent  
 6 2010 to 2014. That's a substantial reduction.

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: We will get you  
 8 those answers.

9 MEMBER SINNOTT: An e-mail or any medium  
 10 of communications.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR WALCH: Sure.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thanks for that  
 13 report, Brenna.

14 MS. UMBSTAETTER: Oh, you are very  
 15 welcome.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other questions?  
 17 Anything else on the order of the budget?

18 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Well, that concludes  
 19 what we had for the agenda. Anything you guys want  
 20 to add?

21 MEMBER SINNOTT: I move we adjourn.

22 MEMBER HAAS: Second.

23 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

24 All those in favor.

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We stand adjourned. Thank you.

(Thereupon, the meeting was adjourned at  
3:42 p.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is  
a true and correct transcript of the proceedings  
taken by me in this matter on Monday, December 9,  
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Karen Sue Gibson, Registered  
Merit Reporter.

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