The Wells County Election Board met on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 3:30PM in the Clerk’s Office located at the Wells County Courthouse, 102 W Market Street, Suite 201, Bluffton, IN. Those in attendance were Republican Election Board Member Roy Johnson, Democratic Election Board Member Larry Sell and Clerk Beth Davis. Also in Attendance was Deputy Clerk’s Janet Double and Rhonda Gentis.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Roy Johnson, seconded by Larry Sell to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2019 meeting. Motion carried 3-0.

**Voter List Maintenance:** Clerk Beth Davis informed the board members that the Voter List Maintenance has been completed and the VRG-21 Affidavit has been faxed to the State Election Division as required.

**December Election Conference:** Registration is now open for the Indiana Election Conference to be held December 16-18 in downtown Indianapolis. Clerk Davis will Register and make Hotel reservations for Election Board Member Larry Sell, Clerk Beth Davis and Deputy Clerk’s Janet Double and Rhonda Gentis.

**Town of Ossian Election:** A Town Convention is scheduled for Tonight (August 20th, 2019) in Ossian to select the Republican Town Council Candidate for the Center District. Once this Candidate is selected by the town convention there is no contested races in the Municipal Election for the Town of Ossian. The Election Board may adopt a Resolution under IC 3-10-7-5(e) to NOT have an Election for the Town of Ossian if it is adopted by a unanimous vote of the entire membership. The Election Board decided it would be in the best interest of the County and Town to not have an Election for the Town of Ossian, so a Resolution will be prepared and presented at the next Election Board Meeting scheduled for September 17th, 2019.

**Resolution for Date & Time for Absentee Voting in Clerk’s Office:** Motion made by Roy Johnson, seconded by Larry Sell to approve Resolution No. 2019-3 “Establishing Dates and Hours for In-Person Absentee Voting”. Motion carried 3-0.

**Public Test for November Election:** The public test for the Election Equipment to be used for the Municipal Election is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24th, 2019 at 2:00PM.

**Southern Wells Community School Vote Center:** Clerk Beth Davis will contact Southern Wells Community Schools to see if the Election Board could be put on the next School Board Meeting to talk with them about using the Southern Wells Community Schools Ag Building for the 2020 Elections. The Election Board would like to change the Vote Center Plan to use the Southern Wells Ag Building for the May Primary Election Day and the November General Election Day from 6:00am-6:00PM plus seven hours the two Saturday’s prior to the Elections. We would no longer use the school for the Thursday’s and Friday’s prior to the Elections.

**Adjourned:** Motion made by Larry Sells, seconded by Roy Johnson to adjourn at 4:10PM. Motion carried 3-0.
Wells County Election Board

Roy Johnson
Republican Member, Roy Johnson

Larry Sell
Democratic Member, Larry Sell

Beth Davis
Clerk, Beth Davis