SUMMARY

Hart County Board of Registrars

September 12, 2014 – 11:00 A.M.

Registrar John Stercho presided with Registrars Jane Kay, Ronda Starks, Deputy Registrar/Clerk Mary Stephens, and Deputy Registrar Diane Dobbs in attendance.

1. **OLD BUSINESS**

Ratification of June 2014 BOR minutes -- Kay – motioned, Starks – seconded, Passed - unanimous

**2. DEBRIEFING ON “SEASON OF ELECTIONS”**

General discussion of the four (4) elections conducted in office since the beginning of the year.

An overview of the volume of voters coming in for early voting was reviewed, plus revisiting the provisional ballot situation. Registrar Stercho praised all board members on a clean process and successful outcome.

We already have 65 rollover ballot requests for the November election – county; and 17 for city.

**3. DISCUSS ABSENTEE & ADVANCED VOTING for NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION**

1 - Budget request to submit to the BOC -- Stercho noted he is scheduled to appear before the BOC on Tuesday, September 23rd to present the BOR’s request for funding early voting

2 - Duty schedules -- Stercho presented a mock-up calendar with duty assignments for the upcoming statewide general election early voting schedule. Clerk Stephens noted four (4) should be sufficient due to space limitations and ability to control crowds while safeguarding voter privacy in the voting booths.

3 - Office stations layout & setup -- Any further expansion plans for the new Board of Elections & Registration should NOT include tearing down the wall between spaces to preserve security of the BOR space for this election cycle. Janet McCart, acting Election Superintendent, notified the BOR would be receiving 4 DRE’s for county voters and 2 DRE’s for municipal voters.

4 - Absentee Ballots & other mail handling from Post Office -- Clerk Stephens already secured postage to handle the anticipated volume of ballots to be mailed. Mail out of ballots will commence October 13, 2014 and continue until 5pm, Friday, October 31, 2014. Returned ballots can be accepted all the way until 7 pm, Tuesday, November 4, 2014.

 **4. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned -- Kay – motioned, Starks – seconded, Passed - unanimous