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Minutes

On Thursday, December 15, 2022 the Board of Registrars held a meeting. The meeting began at 4:30 pm in the Office of the Town Clerk, 3 North Main St, Assonet, MA with Registrars Sandra DiLillo & Blessing Rogers present.

The discussion began in regards to the Votes Act of 2022 and how the new vote by mail mandate would affect Freetown in the future, especially for the Local Annual Town Election taking place on April 3, 2023. After a thorough review of the history of voter turnout, the cost of preparing and mailing notices to notify residents of vote by mail, and the cost of ballot mailing postage, there was a motion made by Blessing Rogers and seconded by Ms. DiLillo to send a letter to the Board of Selectmen recommending that the BoS "opt-out" of the Vote By Mail process for the next annual town election. Strictly on the basis of what expenses the town would incur, and to note that that Absentee Voting for cause was still an alternate option. The Motion Passed Unanimously.

It was discussed that we continue, again, creating short videos, posting on social media and recorded BoS meetings to notify the voters of Freetown of their ability to vote absentee (for cause).in the same formats.

The board adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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