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Mr. William Alexopoulos, President
Randolph Town Council
41 South Main Street
Randolph, MA 02368

Re: Assignment of Police Officers at Polling Locations

Dear President Alexopoulos:

On June 22, the election reform law (the "VOTES act") was signed into law by Governor Baker. The VOTES act makes many of the changes from the pandemic permanent (i.e., Vote by Mail and Early In-Person Voting). In addition, the assignment of police officers at polling places now requires a vote of the Town Council.

The Town of Randolph has 12 voting precincts. For each election, one police officer is assigned to each precinct during voting hours. Each police officer is responsible for delivering ballots, polling lists and voting machines to their assigned precinct in the morning, and back to the Town Hall at the end of the night. In addition, we utilize two officers – one who monitors the parking lots and entrances to the polling locations, and one who is present at Town Hall as ballots are returned after the polls have closed. My request is that we continue with 14 police officers on Election Day.

I have attached a letter from Police Chief Anthony Marag, in support of the number of officers recommended on Election Days. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Cheryl D. Sass
Town Clerk and Registrar

cc: Brian P. Howard, Town Manager