

I MOVE to amend Ordinance 25-012, Section 5, MSB 25.030.025, to read:

(A) **A poll watcher can be one of the following:**

- (1) Each candidate, or organized group that sponsors or opposes an issue, may designate one person at a time to be a poll watcher in each precinct and early vote count location.
- (2) ~~Additionally,~~ One public member who is a registered voter of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough may be a poll watcher in each precinct and early vote count location.
- (3) **A political party recognized by the state of Alaska may designate one person at a time to be poll watcher in each precinct and early vote count location during election years that the Borough's election does not coincide with the State election. The persons designating a poll watcher shall be the precinct party committee, where an organized precinct committee exists, or the party district committee where no organized precinct committee exists, or the state party chairperson where neither a precinct nor a party district committee exists.**

This amendment would allow political parties that are registered with the State to be a poll watcher at Borough elections. This will only apply during the years that the Borough's election does not coincide with the State. It has been written this way so that political parties cannot have a poll watcher for the Borough and the State (2) at locations on joint election years.