

Board of Election & Voter Registration

Board Meeting & Provisional Hearing

Date: January 8th, 2021

Board Members: Eric Crawford, James White, Jeff Hughes, Larry Ewing, Judy McNichols

Office Staff: Jennifer Logan, Janie Johnston, Susan Harper, Kelsey Harbin, Katie Bryson

Present at Meeting: Eric, Larry, James, Judy, Jeff, Jennifer, Katie

Public Present: Mike Buffington, representatives from republican party

I. Call to Order: 4:04PM and lead meeting in Pledge.

II. Presentation of Minutes :

Eric read aloud the minutes from Dec 2nd and Dec 22nd. Judy made motion to accept minutes as read. Jeff 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 motion carried.

III. Provisional Hearing:

Katie explained the absentee cure process to the board and presented the board with a list of the provisional ballots for the January 5th, 2021 General Runoff Election.

Katie presented to the board the documentation of each provisional with explanation of the type of provisional—some individual and some in blocks.

In Person Provisionals

Voter #1 Jeff made motion to accept, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter #2 Larry made motion to accept, Judy 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 Motion carried.

Voter #3 Jeff made motion to accept, Judy 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter #4 Jeff made motion to accept, Larry 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter #5 - #12 Larry made motion to reject, Jeff 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 Motion carried.

Provisional Hearing was paused to wait for 5PM.

IV. Old Business

Jennifer presented BOE Resolution to call March 16, 2021 election, a continuation of sales tax.

Jeff made a statement.

Jeff made motion to reject the resolution. Larry 2nd. No discussion . Voted 2,3 Motion fails.

Eric made a motion to accept the BOE Resolution and call the election, James 2nd. No discussion Voted 3,2 motion carried.

After 5PM Provisional Hearing continued.

PI voters– In Person Provisionals continued.

Voter #13-#15 Jeff made motion to reject, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 Motion carried.

Absentee by Mail Provisionals– Cure Applications and Ballots–Voter provided required documentation

Voter #4 James made motion to accept, Judy 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter #8, Jeff made motion to accept, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter #10 Jeff makes motion to reject, Larry 2nd. No discussion Voted 2,3. Motion fails.

James made motion to accept , Judy 2nd. No discussion. Voted 3,2. Motion carried.

Voter #13 Jeff made motion to reject, Larry 2nd. No discussion. Voted 2,3. Motion fails.

James made motion to accept, Judy 2nd. No discussion. Voted 3,2. Motion carried.

Voter #21 Jeff made motion to accept, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Katie inquired of the board why members would reject a voter, when the voter had met the state requirements for counting a ballot. Jeff responded saying he felt the information didn't match. Katie stated we do request that the voter complete a new VR Application to update the signature we have on file for future comparison.

Absentee by Mail Provisionals– Cure Applications and Ballots –Voter did not provided required documentation.

Voter #1, #2, #3, #5 Jeff made motion to reject, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0. Motion carried.

Voter 6, #7, #9, #11, #12, #14, #15, #16-#20, #22-#26 Jeff made motion to reject, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 Motion carried.

Provisional Hearing Closed. Accepted ballots were opened and processed and a Review Panel processed the duplication.

Jennifer provided a copy of a resolution sent by the republican party for the boards review and made a statement concerning maintaining the integrity of the board and our office. Jeff questioned Jennifer. Larry made a statement regarding his appointment to the board. Jeff was in agreement with Larry's statement. Judy made a statement.

Official and Complete Election Summary Report was presented to the members. Jennifer stated that all paper worked has been thoroughly reviewed by staff. Eric asked Jennifer if the summary was a true and correct returns of Jackson County voters. Jennifer responded-yes.

Jeff made a statement concerning the challenge that was voted on at a previous meeting, concerning the national change of address, sited code 21-2-381. Larry made a statement concerning the 1140 names on the list with a move in state status. Additional discussion was made concerning the previous challenge. Jeff stated he understood that verifying information of the challenge list will not affect the Election Results.

Eric made a motion to certify the January 5th General Runoff Election Results as presented by the Election staff, James 2nd. No discussion. Voted 3,2.

More discussion concerning the challenge list.

Jeff made a motion for the office staff complete a list comparison of the 1140 voters with a move in state status on the challenge list to the numbered list of voters in the January 5th Runoff and have a available at the February meeting. Larry 2nd. No discussion. Voted 3,2. Motion carried.

V. Adjournment:

Eric made motion to adjourn at 6:23PM. Jeff 2nd. No discussion. Voted 5,0 motion carried.

Next meeting February 10th at 9AM.

