

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MADISON
COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
AUGUST 12, 2020**

A public meeting of the Madison County Election Commission was noticed and duly held and conducted at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, in the Board Room of the Madison County Chancery and Administrative Building in the City of Canton, Mississippi. The meeting was webcast live to the public through the County's website. The following Commissioners were present at the beginning of the meeting:

District One Commissioner Helen Carney
District Two Commissioner Julia Hodges
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy

Circuit Clerk Anita Wray and Commission Attorney Spence Flatgard were also in attendance.

Commissioner Hodges called the meeting to order and Commissioner Leroy Lacy began the meeting with a prayer. Commissioner Hodges led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Commission reviewed the proposed minutes of its July 8th meeting. Commissioner Carney made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lacy.

The Commission approved its minutes of its July 8th meeting, voting as follows:

District One Commissioner Helen Carney-"Aye"
District Two Commissioner Julia Hodges-"Aye"
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale-"Aye"
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy-"Aye"

Circuit Clerk Anita Wray reported on the following items:

- Voter registration cards had been mailed to voters for their new polling locations at Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, Jimmy M. Goodloe Elementary School and The Mark Apartments.
- Split precincts for the Canton Public School District special election, should there be one, and in Election Commission races.
(Commissioner Jackson-Adams joined the meeting.)
- Applications for absentee ballots are available and absentee ballot voting can begin on September 21st.
- The Circuit Clerk's Office will hire extra workers with CARES act funds to assist with the elections.
- The VR-001 Voter Movement Reports from June through August included the movement of 1,697 voters and is available for inspection in her office.

The Commission reviewed and discussed an updated list of precinct polling locations, and split precincts for the upcoming election. Also, Commissioner Truesdale requested ballot orders by September 12, 2020.

The Commission Attorney gave his report and submitted his legal bill for the Commission's review. Commissioner Lacy made a motion to approve the Commission Attorney's bill which was seconded by Commissioner Carney and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

During Commissioner Comments:

- Commissioner Carney thanked the Commissioners for their work on the VR-007 Reports.
- Commissioner Hodges highlighted the need to start communicating to the public enhanced Covid-19 safety protocols for voting to the public.
- Commissioner Truesdale asked for an inventory of PPE needs for election day.
- Commissioner Jackson-Adams expressed a need for poll workers.
- Commissioner Lacy noted the need to check temperatures at the entrance to poll worker training and for each Commissioner to consider the best way to implement social distancing at each polling location.

The Commission concluded its consideration of its agenda items and adjourned the meeting upon a motion by Commissioner Lacy which was seconded by Commissioner Carney and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission. The Commission's next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, September 14, 2020, which is a Purge Date.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, this the 14th day of September, 2020.



JULIA HODGES
CHAIRMAN

Attest:



HELEN CARNEY
SECRETARY