

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MADISON
COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 6, 2022**

A public meeting of the Madison County Election Commission was noticed and duly held and conducted at 9:00 a.m. on December 6, 2022, 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 Lauren Payne
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale
District Four Commissioner Dan Dickinson
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacey

Commissioner Truesdale called the meeting to order and Commissioner Lacy began the meeting with a prayer. Commissioner Dickinson led the pledge of allegiance.

The Commission reviewed the proposed minutes of its October 12th meeting. Commissioner Payne made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motions were seconded by Commissioner Dickinson.

The Commission approved its minutes of both meetings, voting as follows:

District One Commissioner Helen Carney-"Aye"
District Two Commissioner Lauren Payne-"Aye"
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale-"Aye"
District Four Commissioner Dan Dickinson-"Aye"
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy-"Aye"

The Commission next reviewed the proposed minutes of its November 14th meeting. Commissioner Payne made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motions were seconded by Commissioner Lacy.

The Commission approved its minutes of both meetings, voting as follows:

District Two Commissioner Lauren Payne-"Aye"
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale-"Aye"
District Four Commissioner Dan Dickinson-"Aye"
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy-"Aye"

The Commission next reviewed the proposed minutes of its November 16th meeting. Commissioner Dickinson made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motions were seconded by Commissioner Payne.

The Commission approved its minutes of both meetings, voting as follows:

District One Commissioner Helen Carney-“Aye”
District Two Commissioner Lauren Payne-“Aye”
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale-“Aye”
District Four Commissioner Dan Dickinson-“Aye”
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy-“Aye”

Circuit Clerk Anita Wray and Commission Attorney Spence Flatgard joined the meeting.

The Commissioners submitted their lists of names to be purged from voter rolls by District on a SEMS VR-007 Report showing voters who were deceased or who had moved. The Reports included the following totals of voters in each District: District 1 – 41, District 2 – 40, District 3 - 59, District 4 – 42 and District 5 – 43. The names to be purged on the VR-007 Reports were approved upon a motion by Commissioner Payne, a second by Commissioner Dickinson and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commission next considered the appropriate change of status from active status to inactive status for names on the voter rolls and on a SEMS VR-007 Report. The Reports included the following totals of voters in each District: District 1 – 17, District 2 – 0, District 3 - 1, District 4 – 29 and District 5 – 1. The Commission approved the changes and report upon a motion by Commissioner Lacy, a second by Commissioner Payne and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Circuit Clerk Wray provided the VR-001 Voter Movement Reports detailing the movement of 543 voters in the County from October 12th through December 5th, which the Commission acknowledged and is available for inspection in the Circuit Clerk's office. She reported that the November election results had been certified and voter turnout was 42 percent. She also noted that the qualifying period for candidates for county elections next year will run from January 3rd to February 1st.

In New Business, the Commissioners elected officers for 2023. Commissioner Carney nominated Commissioner Truesdale for the office of Chairman which was seconded by Commissioner Payne. Commissioner Lacy made a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Commissioner Payne and approved by a unanimous vote. Commissioner Truesdale was elected Chairman by acclamation.

Commissioner Dickinson nominated Commissioner Lacy for the office of Vice-Chairman which was seconded by Commissioner Payne. Commissioner Payne made a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Commissioner Dickinson and approved by a unanimous vote. Commissioner Lacy was elected Vice Chairman by acclamation.

Commissioner Payne nominated Commissioner Carney for the office of Secretary which was seconded by Commissioner Dickinson. Commissioner Lacy a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Commissioner Payne and approved by a unanimous vote. Commissioner Carney was elected Secretary by acclamation.

The Commission approved its calendar of meetings attached hereto, subject to confirming the Board room's availability. The motion wade made by Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner Payne and adopted by a unanimous vote.

The Commission then went into executive session to discuss pending litigation upon a motion which was motioned by Commissioner Payne, seconded by Commissioner Lacy and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commission came out of executive session upon a motion by Commissioner Payne, a second by Commissioner Lacy and a unanimous vote of the Commission. It was announced that no action was taken during the executive session.

The Commission next approved the addition of sixteen (16) voters to be added to permanent absentee ballot list upon a motion by Commissioner Dickinson, a second by Commissioner Lacy and a unanimous vote of the Commission. The new permanent absentee voters who were approved included: Charles C. Barlow, Margaret Tarleton, Frances Peacock Ramsey, Barbara Pittman, Kathryn Lawler, Barbara O. Murphy, Carol Moskewitz, Sheila Evans, Eola Hogg, Daniel O. Murphy, Betty Shell, Tedd Webb, Patricia Webb, Thomas C. Delaney and Ruth Craycraft.\

The Commission Attorney gave his report and submitted his legal bill which was approved upon a motion by Commissioner Lacy, seconded by Commissioner Payne and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

During Commissioner Comments:

Commissioners Carney requested to be included in all orders through the election center so that she can be in a position to know that the product was received and approve payment.

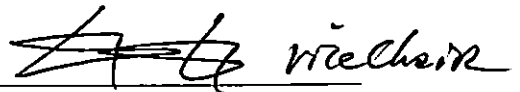
Commissioner Truesdale expressed her appreciation for each person and for everyone's encouragement of each other this year.

Commissioner Dickinson complimented the team effort to improve training of poll workers and noted that the focus on affidavit ballots resulted in immense improvement as all of them were properly handled in the last election.


Commissioner Lacy reported the next ECAM conference would be held January 24-26, 2023 which would be his last as President. The Commission thanked him for his service and for representing Madison County so well in leading the statewide organization of election commissioners.

The Commission concluded its consideration of its agenda items and adjourned the meeting, with its next regular monthly meeting to be held on January 10, 2023, upon a motion from Commissioner Dickinson, a second from Commissioner Payne and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, this the 10th day of JANUARY, 2023.


PAT TRUESDALE
CHAIRMAN

Attest:


HELEN CARNEY
SECRETARY