

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MADISON
COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
OCTOBER 9, 2019**

A public meeting of the Madison County Election Commission was noticed and duly held and conducted at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, 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

Commissioner Hodges called the meeting to order and Commissioner Lacy began the meeting with a prayer. Commissioner Carney led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Commission Attorney joined the meeting.

The Commission reviewed the proposed minutes of its September 9th meeting. Commissioner Truesdale made a motion that the minutes be accepted which was seconded by Commissioner Carney and approved upon a unanimous vote. The Commission next reviewed the proposed minutes of its September 18th special meeting. Commissioner Carney made a motion that the minutes be accepted which was seconded by Commissioner Lacy and approved upon a unanimous vote.

The Commissioners submitted their individual lists of names to be purged from the voter rolls for voters who were deceased or who had moved. Commissioner Carney submitted a list of thirteen (13) names for District 1, Commissioner Hodges submitted a list of thirty (30) names for District 2, Commissioner Truesdale submitted a list of fifteen (15) names and Commissioner Jackson-Adams previously submitted a list of ten (10) names. Each of these Commissioners also offered the required supporting documentation for their respective lists for the Commission's review. The Commission approved the purges upon a motion by Commissioner Truesdale, a second by Commissioner Lacy and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

In Old Business, the Commission noted that the Democrat Party Chair advised the Commission at its August meeting that he would provide his party's list of poll workers and had not received it despite repeated requests.

Commissioner Jackson-Adams and Deputy Clerk Ann Jones joined the meeting. The Commission discussed and decided upon additional election materials to order for the general election including seals and ballot pens. Commissioner Truesdale made a motion to immediately order a Ballot on Demand printer (BOD) citing a quote from ES&S in the amount of \$5,325.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lacy. Commissioner Lacy informed the Commission that the County could be reimbursed for the purchase with its allocation of HAVA funds. Commissioner Hodges added that the County typically spends the amount the BOD printer will cost in printing absentee

ballots. The Commission approved the motion by a unanimous vote and directed its Attorney to follow up with the County.

Commissioner Hodges announced that none of the felons identified at its last meeting to be purged for having committed disenfranchising crimes were found on the voter rolls.

In New Business, the Commission considered the requests, accompanied with a supporting letter from their respective physician, of six (6) citizens to be added to the permanent absentee ballot list: Jennie Sullivan, Majorie Turk, Oattie Jean Gray, Thomas Ramsey, Wiley Thornton and Annie Thornton. Upon a motion by Commissioner Lacy and a second by Commissioner Carney and a unanimous vote of the Commission, their requests were approved.

The Commission determined the County should order 54,290 ballots for the general election, will use the same number of voting machines as it used in the primary election and scheduled L&A testing for October 21-November 5, 2019.

The Commission reviewed the submitted list of poll workers for the general election. Commissioner Lacy offered a motion for their approval which was seconded by Commissioner Carney and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Clerk Wray had joined the meeting during New Business and Deputy Clerk Jones left the meeting. Clerk Wray had to give a tour of the Courthouse to the new grand jury. She gave her report on the following items:

- Providing the VR-001 Voter Movement Reports for the previous and current months, including 332 and 558 voters, respectively. The reports were acknowledged by the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Circuit Clerk's Office.
- Announcing that she will order the number of ballots that the Commission recommended.
- Suggesting that the Commission consider the SoS recommendation to all counties regarding a security audit.

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 Jackson-Adams and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

During Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Carney offered to request three (3) workers Temp Staff for the election. She made the point that the Commission should emphasize in poll manager training the need for poll workers to use the address library when handing out affidavit ballots in split precincts.

Commissioner Hodges stressed the need to double check materials at the receiving table and will have Zach Willis perform that service for District 2.

Commissioner Truesdale followed up on the previous comment from Commissioner Hodges, suggesting extra training for the receiving table workers and that she would distribute a draft checklist for comment to assist them.

Commissioner Lacy made a motion to approve the Commission's limited assistance to the City of Canton's for a special election to fill a vacated seat on its Board of Aldermen. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carney and adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commission. He also noted that the Commission would need to assist the Canton Separate School District next year with a special election to fill Courtney Rainey's position. He suggested that the Commission make plans for ECAM training and seek approval for its expense, which Commissioner Hodges offered to follow up on obtaining.

The Commission approved the appointment of the receiving table by unanimous consent, including: Billie Joe Wells, Renee Lambert, Zach Willis and Reverend Nash.

The Commission approved the appointment of the Resolution Board by unanimous consent, including: Cathy Wells, Sheila Willis, Cindy Owen, Alice Scott and James Sims.

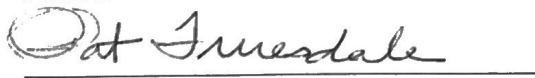
The Commission concluded its consideration of its agenda items and adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, this the 13th day of November, 2019.



JULIA HODGES
CHAIRMAN

Attest:



PAT TRUESDALE
SECRETARY