

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MADISON
COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 10, 2018**

A public meeting of the Madison County Election Commission was noticed and duly held and conducted at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 10, 2018, 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 Timothy Jenkins
District Two Commissioner Julia Hodges
District Three Commissioner Pat Truesdale
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy

Also present were Deputy Circuit Clerk Ann Jones, Information Technology Director Duane Thompson, Commission Attorney Spence Flatgard and Bill Lowe with ES&S. Commissioner Jackson was attending a funeral and Clerk Wray had to oversee a jury pool.

Commissioner Truesdale called the meeting to order and Commissioner Jenkins began the meeting with a prayer. Commissioner Hodges led the pledge of Allegiance.

The Commission reviewed the proposed minutes of its August 8th meeting. Commissioner Hodges made a motion that the minutes be accepted as presented which was seconded by Commissioner Jenkins. The Commission approved the minutes as presented with a unanimous vote.

The Commission met its statutory obligation to consider the list of citizens who had been convicted of felonies since the last statutory purge date and determine whether they had committed a disenfranchising crime. The Commission Attorney had reviewed the list provided by the Circuit Clerk and highlighted recommended names to be purged from the voter rolls, should they be found to be registered voters. The Commission reviewed the list and asked counsel questions then voted to purge thirty (30) names from the voter rolls, should they be registered voters. The action was taken upon a motion by Commissioner Jenkins, a second by Commissioner Hodges and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Deputy Circuit Clerk Jones provided the current Voter Movement Report to the Commission which the Commission acknowledged and is available for public inspection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. She also provided the Commission a letter from the Secretary of State's Office reporting that Madison County was allocated \$138,715.15 in additional HAVA funds and detailing the procedures for spending those dollars on election needs.

The Commissioners next submitted their individual lists of names to be purged from the voter rolls for voters who were deceased or who had moved. Commissioner Hodges submitted a list of thirty-one (31) names, Commissioner Truesdale submitted a list of thirty (30) and Commissioner Jackson submitted a list of thirty-three (33) 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 Hodges, a second by Commissioner Jenkins and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commission next considered Commissioner requests to acknowledge the change of status from active status to inactive status for certain names on the voter rolls. Commissioner Jenkins submitted a list of thirty-seven (37) names, Commissioner Hodges submitted a list of twenty-eight (28) names and Commissioner Truesdale submitted a list of thirty (30) 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 Hodges, a second by Commissioner Jenkins and a unanimous vote of the Commission. The Commission noted that the window under federal law to allow for the inactivation of voters names on the voter rolls ended on the date of their last meeting, August 8, 2018, ninety (90) days before the November 6th election. Therefore, today's action was solely to acknowledge the change of status made by August 8, 2018.

In Old Business, the Commissioners discussed their nearly completed poll worker lists for the November elections. Upon a motion by Commissioner Hodges and a second by Commissioner Lacy, the Commission agreed to finalize and approve their poll worker lists at the next Commission meeting.

Commissioner Truesdale noted that the Secretary of State's office recommended that each precinct have one poll worker complete the on-line training they provide.

Commissioner Jenkins recommended cases to hold and to better protect the electronic pollbook tablets. Bill Lowe with ES&S discussed options with the Commission. He also provided a demonstration for a printer attached to the pollbooks.

Next, the Commission scheduled times for poll worker training, pending confirmation of the availability of the requested venues:

October 4 th	BoS Room	6:00PM– 8:00PM
October 10 th	BoS Room	11:00AM -1:00PM
October 11 th	BoS Room	6:00PM – 8:00PM
October 16 th	Trace Ridge	9:00AM – 11:00AM
October 18 th	BoS Room	6:00 – 8:00 Managers Only

Commissioner Truesdale reminded the Commission that it would have to complete HAVA compliance reports by the end of 2019, so reviewing polling locations during the upcoming elections would be helpful.

Under New Business, the Commission reviewed the Qualifying Statements of Intent, and accompanying petitions filed by Sam Kelly for District 3 of the Madison County School Board and Philip Huskey for District 4 of the Madison County School Board. Each petition was certified by the Circuit Clerk as having more than 50+ signatures of qualified electors. The Commission found the Qualifying Statements of Intent and petitions to be sufficient to qualify for those respective office and approved each candidate's inclusion on the November ballot following motions by Commissioner Hodges, a second of each motion by Commissioner Jenkins and unanimous votes of the Commission.

The Commission next reviewed the request of Gwen O'Keefe to be included on the County's permanent absentee ballot list. The request included her physician's note and was approved upon the motion of Commissioner Hodges, a second by Commissioner Jenkins and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Truesdale advised the Commission that she would be attending GEMS training provided by the SoS office in October.

The Commission discussed scheduling L&A testing and decided to do preparations on October 22nd, begin October 23rd and complete the testing that week.

The Commission Attorney gave a brief report on the election contest scheduled to begin on September 25th and advised the Commissioners to anticipate being called as witnesses. He then submitted his bill which the Commission reviewed. Commissioner Hodges made a motion to approve the Commission Attorney's bill which was seconded by Commissioner Jenkins and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

During Commissioner Comments:

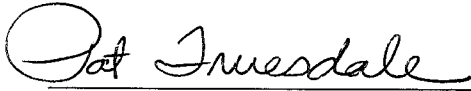
Commissioner Hodges requested a poll worker tablet be assigned to her for training purposes.

Commissioner Truesdale initiated a discussion on coordinating with the team that would be delivering election equipment to the polling locations. She suggested meeting with them on the Friday before the election to make assignments so that they could begin delivering equipment Monday morning without waiting on instructions. Commissioner Hodges noted that Friday meeting would be a good time to make sure all of the keys to the polling locations were in hand. Commissioner Jenkins added that the election equipment should be secured in the delivery trucks by 1 inch ratchet straps and not bungee cords.

The Commission concluded its consideration of its agenda items and adjourned the

meeting to reconvene at its next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, October 10th, 2018. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, this the 10 day of October, 2018.


PAT TRUESDALE
CHAIRMAN

Attest:


JULIA HODGES
SECRETARY