

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MADISON
COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION**
June 14, 2017

A public meeting of the Madison County Election Commission was noticed and duly held and conducted at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, 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 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 Four Commissioner Azzie Jackson Adams
District Five Commissioner Leroy Lacy

Also present was Madison County IT Director Duane Thompson.

Commissioner Jenkins called the meeting to order and Commissioner Truesdale began the meeting with a prayer and Commission Attorney Spence Flatgard joined the meeting. Commissioner Hodges led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Lacy made a motion to suspend consideration of the May Minutes until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Truesdale and was adopted by a unanimous vote.

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 Jenkins submitted a list of forty-three (43) names, Commissioner Hodges submitted a list of thirteen (13) names, Commissioner Truesdale submitted a list of fifty-four (54) names, Commissioner Jackson Adams submitted a list of twenty (20) names and Commissioner Lacy submitted a list of twenty-five (25) 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 Lacy, a second by Commissioner Jackson-Adams and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commission next considered Commissioner requests to acknowledge the appropriate change of status from active status to inactive status for names on the voter rolls. Commissioner Jenkins submitted a list of forty-six (46) names, Commissioner Hodges submitted a list of eleven (11) names, Commissioner Truesdale submitted a list of two hundred and thirty-seven (237) names, Commissioner Jackson Adams submitted a list of eighteen (18) names and Commissioner Lacy submitted a list of fifty (50) 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 Jackson Adams, a second by Commissioner Hodges and

a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Under Old Business, Commission Attorney Flatgard reported back to the Commission on the Secretary of State's list of disenfranchising crimes as to whether they should expand their list. He reported that the Commission's list of disenfranchising crimes was correct and a few of the Secretary of State's suggestions were not supported by legal authority to expand the list, such as the crime of false pretenses.

The Circuit Clerk joined the meeting and presented the Commission with a detailed description of the old election equipment, including serial numbers, that she was transferring to custody of to the Board of Supervisors. She also included the relevant MOU with the Secretary of State and related emails. The Commission acknowledged receipt of the list upon a motion by Commissioner Hodges, a second by Commissioner Truesdale and a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Back in Old Business, Commissioner Truesdale gave an update on the Commission's implementation of its decision to synchronize the commonly used precinct names by description and location to also be the name used in SEMS. She is in the process of identifying those names and precincts and will present her findings at the next meeting. She also is working on a process for identifying and addressing issues of HAVA compliance at polling locations and will present a packet to the Commission at the next meeting.

Under New Business, the Commission acknowledged the Voter Movement Report which is available for public inspection is in the Circuit Clerk's Office.

Commissioner Truesdale then explained that the Commission's May Expense Report showed a deficit because valid expenses had not been reimbursed or transferred, to the right categories. Commissioner Jenkins offered to meet with the Comptroller to address the issue. Commissioner Truesdale also asked direction on expenses for next year as she worked on the Commission's budget request. The Commission provided its view on the number of paper ballots for elections and receipt books. The Commission authorized Commissioner Truesdale to order receipt books from Mississippi Prison Industries by unanimous consent. The Commission also authorized Commissioner Hodges to order six (6) rolling supply bags at seventy dollars (\$70) each from Mississippi Prison Industries. Commissioner Hodges made a motion for the purchase, which was seconded by Commissioner Lacy and approved by a unanimous vote of the Commission.

Commissioner Hodges reported to the Commission that the Board of Supervisors had approved their mileage to and from ECAM training.

Commissioner Jenkins presented his concerns that ECAM had its tax exempt status revoked in 2013 and had not filed a tax return since 2009. He suggested writing a letter to the organization setting a deadline to file the proper documents with the IRS to fix the problem or Madison County would not renew its membership. Commissioner Lacy offered that he had just become President of the organization and asked for time to allow

ECAM to try and resolve the issue first. Commissioner Jackson-Adams left the meeting during the discussion. Commissioner Jenkins offered to hold the motion he planned to make to send the letter until the next meeting to allow for ECAM to address the issue at its next Board meeting.

Commissioner Jenkins next raised the need to move TSX machines and clean the floor to make room for the new election equipment. The Commission discussed times when they could be available to help.

Chairman Jenkins distributed to each Commissioner their commission for office signed by the Governor. He also asked for any suggested changes to the Commission's budget, noting the Commission's deadline for its budget request to the County is Monday, June 19th.

The Commission next declared as surplus property five (5) of their old desktops, monitors and keyboards, upon a motion by Commissioner Truesdale, a second by Commissioner Hodges and a unanimous vote of the Commission. The desktops acted upon included: Dell Desktop County #5111, #4543, #6953, #4544 and #6115.

The Commission reviewed its attorney's bill and Commissioner Lacy made a motion to approve it which was seconded by Commissioner Truesdale, and approved by the unanimous vote of the Commission.

During Comments of Commissioners:

Commissioner Hodges reported that she had expressed the need for a shredder to Hardy Crunk who suggested considering the shredding service that the Sheriff's office and Tax Assessor's office use. Commissioner Hodges will explore that option.

Commissioner Truesdale had covered her request for information in New Business, and noted the Commission should declare the old shredder as surplus property at its next meeting.

Commissioner Lacy asked for the support of Madison County in his new role as President of ECAM.

Commissioner Jenkins congratulated Commissioner Lacy on assuming the Presidency of ECAM and commended his leadership.

The Commission concluded its consideration of the agenda items and adjourned the meeting by unanimous consent to reconvene at its next regularly scheduled meeting on July 12, 2017.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, this the 12 day of July, 2017.


TIMOTHY JENKINS
CHAIRMAN

Attest:


JULIA HODGES
SECRETARY