



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2012
4:00 p.m.**

Members Present

Ozell Snider
Phil Wyrick
Susan Inman

Staff Present

Melinda Allen
Tonya Washington
Bryan Poe
Amanda Dickens

Visitors Present: Larry Crane, Pulaski County Clerk; Brandon Wood, Kristi McKinnon, County Clerk's Office, Lisa Hutson, KTHV Channel 11; Arkansas Council for International Visitors with group of Russian Officials

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ozell Snider. A quorum was determined; all members present.

November 6, 2012 General/NPJ General Runoff Election
Election Day Plans

Early Voting is currently being conducted with record voter turnout.

Commissioner given information pertaining to Election Day that would be helpful while covering polling locations and voter needs.

Commissioner Inman asked how calls and issues would be handled on Election Day. Mrs. Allen stated that Chief Judges are called first and if it's something that they are not able to address then Area Managers will be in place to take care of any problems or issues. When the Commissioners call in, they will be notified of any issues at the polling locations as well.

Commissioner Wyrick asked if there are potential problems that may occur on Election Day. Mrs. Allen noted that redistricting issues may be a possibility. There are maps being provided at the polling locations where needed.

Commissioner Inman asked if there are possible issues that may occur and need to be addressed by the commissioners and also what areas of the county they will be available to address any issues. Commissioner Inman and Chairman Snider noted that they would be available countywide.

Commissioner Wyrick asked if there are any new Area Managers working this election. Mrs. Allen stated that all have worked in the latest elections and are experienced and aware of Election Day problems that might occur.

Commissioner Inman asked that Area Managers be provided with commissioner phone numbers in the event that problems occur and they can be contacted to help assist at polling locations. Mrs. Allen stated that that a complete list of numbers will be provided.

Chairman Snider noted that the Early Voting process is going smoothly and how the staff has stepped up to fix any minor problems. Mrs. Allen noted that Jess Odom Community Center had a transformer to malfunction and that Joe Valenzuela was able to maintain internet access by connecting cell phones to the computers. Commissioner Inman commended Mr. Valenzuela for being able to come up with a solution and keeping that early voting site operational. Commissioner Snider agreed.

Pulaski County Clerk Larry Crane stated that his staff is busy handling voter issues and that everything is going well as expected.

Commissioner Wyrick recognized visitors present at the meeting. Commissioner Inman introduced a group of Russian officials/visitors being hosted by the Arkansas Council for International Visitors present at today's meeting. They are in Little Rock to study the William Clinton Presidential Library with plans to build a presidential library of former President Boris Yeltsin. Commissioner Inman also noted that she escorted a group of Africans to the Laman Library to observe the early voting election process.

Meeting adjourned.