



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2014
12:00 p.m.**

Members Present

Leonard A. Boyle, Sr.
Chris Burks
Kevin Gorman

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Shawn Camp
Tonya Washington
Pam Walker
Amanda Dickens
Jodie Dildy

Visitors Present: Donna Young; Karen Lovelace; Brandon Wood, Darrell Lane, Shana Graves, County Clerk's office

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Leonard A. Boyle, Sr. A quorum was determined; all members present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes, July 23, 2014

Motion to approve meeting minutes was made by Chairman Boyle. It was moved by Commissioner Burks and seconded by Commissioner Boyle. All in favor; motion passed by voice vote.

Presentation of Proclamation

A proclamation issued from County Judge Buddy Villines was presented in recognition of the community service and election work by the late Mrs. Mattye Willis. The proclamation was presented to her daughters, Donna Young and Karen Lovelace. Mrs. Willis passed away on June 9, 2014.

Business

Annual School Election, September 16, 2014

Approve Amended Polling Location Order

Precinct 44 - Indianhead Lake Baptist Church was removed from the Notice of Election due to no eligible voters in this precinct for the school election. Election officials at this precinct have been contacted that they will not be needed.

Motion to approve amended polling location order was made by Chairman Boyle. It was moved by Commissioner Burks and seconded by Commissioner Gorman. All in favor; motion passed by voice vote.

Approve Amended Notices of Election

Jacksonville/Pulaski County Special School District Notice Change - Millage

By request of the petitioners, the two ballot issues on the Notice of Election were simply switched whereas the issue of the district separation will be listed first and the millage issue will be listed second.

Motion to approve the amended Notice of Election was made by Chairman Boyle. It was moved by Commissioner Gorman and seconded by Commissioner Burks. All in favor; motion passed by voice vote.

Larry Clark, Lonoke County Clerk, has agreed to have voters cast their ballots at Precinct 46/47 - Berea Baptist Church, for the Annual School Election on September 16, 2014. Lonoke County will provide the poll books. Absentee ballots have been provided to Lonoke County in the event voters call and request them and they can be mailed out to those voters. Lonoke County will deliver absentee ballots to Pulaski County in the event there are any ballots cast. In the future, if there is a contested race in that area of the county, Lonoke County will open a polling location in that area.

Discussion of State Board of Election Commission Rule Changes

A procedure was established for voters who registered by mail and vote absentee for the first time but did not provide proof of ID. This is rare because most first-time voters will vote early. And most voter registration applications by mail do provide photo ID. Initially, the vote will be rejected and a notice will be sent to the voter. But if it is established that the voter cast the ballot in the correct precinct, the vote should be counted.

Other Business

Meeting Schedule

Monday, August 25, 2014, 5:00 p.m. - Ballot Position Drawing for the November General Election

Tuesday, August 26, 2014, 12:00 p.m. - Certify Logic and Accuracy Testing

Precinct 132 - New Haven UMC was recently destroyed by fire. A search is currently underway for a replacement location.

The Arkansas County Election Commission Association (ACECA) meeting is scheduled for Thursday August 28, 2014 at the Holiday Inn Airport. Bryan Poe and Shawn Camp are scheduled to attend.

Election Systems & Software will give a presentation on August 15, 2014. Amanda and Shawn are scheduled to attend.

Logic and Accuracy Testing will be conducted for the Annual School Election on Monday, August 4, 2014.

Our student intern, Chianti Madkins, is making progress in creating a pilot student poll worker recruiting program. Students will be recruited from UALR and Philander Smith College. The goal is to recruit 20 students for the November General Election.

A crossover voter responded to the notice he received by the Election Commission. It was recommended that the commission follow up with a letter of acknowledgment.

It was requested that Shana Graves update the commission, through Mr. Poe, of any changes in any of the impending cases regarding voter ID and absentee ballot issues.

Meeting adjourned.