



Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2015
5:00 p.m.

Members Present

Leonard A. Boyle, Sr.
Pat Hays
Kevin Gorman

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Shawn Camp
Tonya Washington
Amanda Dickens

Visitors Present: David Berman, County Clerk's office; Barry Haas, Citizen, Pulaski County

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pat Hays. A quorum was determined; all members present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes, February 3, 2015

Commissioner Gorman moved to approve meeting minutes and it was seconded by Commissioner Boyle with approved corrections. All in favor; motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Business

Mr. Poe noted that polling location permission forms were mailed on Monday. New inquiry of each polling location is to see if they are equipped with internet access and if the commission could have access on Election Day. This information is being used to determine the possibility of Polling Centers in Pulaski County in the future.

Discussion of Adjustments of Precinct Boundaries

Mr. Poe explained that commission staff has recently worked with Metroplan to outline basic precinct proposals with the focus of maintaining the integrity of precinct splits. He noted that only precinct boundaries will be affected, not any district lines. Discussions of proposed precinct changes were for the following precincts in Pulaski County:

- ✓ **Precinct 4** - the most populous precinct; currently 2 precinct splits; one split proposed to create an additional precinct, #136. However, all voters in both precincts would continue to vote at Precinct 4.
- ✓ **Precinct 5** - to move precinct split to Precinct 8 at Jess Odom Community Center.
- ✓ **Precinct 14** - will have to search for a new facility; part of precinct split to move to Precinct 19
- ✓ **Precinct 39** - Precinct split to move to Precinct 43

- ✓ **Precinct 60** - Highland Valley UMC; one precinct split would move to Winfield UMC; one precinct split would become precinct 137
- ✓ **Precincts 64 and 68** - flip voters from each precinct; Precinct 64 to become Chenal Valley Baptist Church; Precinct 68 to become Trinity Presby Church
- ✓ **Precinct 77** - precinct split would become part of Precinct 78
- ✓ **Precinct 80** section split would become part of Precinct 81
- ✓ **Precinct 103** - northern part of precinct would move to Precinct 124
- ✓ **Precinct 118** - section split would move to Precinct 128

Commissioner Boyle moved to table any action on proposed precinct changes at this time and it was seconded by Commissioner Gorman. All in favor; motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Mr. Barry Haas suggested to the commission that in making changes to precinct lines should be given to the number of voters on election day rather than the number of registered voters in each precinct. He noted that combining precincts in one location makes for difficult operations for poll workers on Election Day.

Other Business

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

David Berman stated that the Jacksonville Wet/Dry issue did fall short about 1400 petition signatures. The cure period to gather additional signatures ends on March 4. Our office will be notified soon after that time the status of this issue.

Meeting adjourned.