



Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2017
8:30 p.m.

Members Present

Pat Hays, Chairman
Leonard A. Boyle, Sr., Commissioner
Bilenda Harris-Ritter, Commissioner

Staff Present

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

Visitors Present: Cynthia Howell, *AR Democrat Gazette*

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

Approval of Meeting Minutes April 18, 2017

Commissioner Boyle moved to accept minutes; seconded by Commissioner Harris-Ritter with corrections. Motion passed by voice vote.

Business

Pulaski County Special School District (PCSSD) Special Election, June 13, 2017

Approval of Revised Notice of Election

The hours of operation at EV8-Jack Evans Senior Citizens Center was corrected to reflect 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The previous notice listed the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Commissioner Boyle moved to accept the revised notice of election; seconded by Commissioner Harris-Ritter. Motion passed by voice vote.

Mr. Poe provided an estimate of costs for opening additional early vote locations during the LRSD Special Election.

Chairman Hays proposed a resolution for setting and approving EV locations and approving the notice of election in special elections and setting rules and timelines for making changes prior to final approval. Early voting sites will be contacted to ensure availability before approval and publication of the notice of election.

Commissioner Harris-Ritter moved to approve rule that between the call of an election until two (2) business days before the meeting where the commission approves election sites and notice of election, anyone can contact the election commission requesting early voting sites. Then at the time of the notice of election and early voting sites are approved, after the date of that meeting, no changes can be made to early voting sites; seconded by Commissioner Boyle. Motion passed by voice vote.

Chairman Hays asked Mr. Poe to ensure that Cynthia Howell of the *Arkansas Democrat Gazette* gets a copy of this resolution to publish in the newspaper. She also requested that the Pulaski County Special School District receive notice of this resolution prior to the PCSSD Special Election on June 13, 2017.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Poe stated the City of North Little Rock will be meeting on May 24, 2017 to call a special election August 8, 2017 for a one cent sales tax.

All the new state laws, including the new voter ID laws, will be effective on August 1, 2017.

Also on August, 1, 2017, the wet/dry laws go into effect which allows city councils to call for wet/dry elections. SWLR, Sherwood, Jacksonville and 1 area of Park Hill could potentially act on this new law.

Meeting recessed at 9:05 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 9:23 p.m.

The unofficial results for the LRSD Special Election are as follows:

For	3,938
Against	7,167

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 11, 2017. Order of business will be the preliminary review of provisional ballots.

Meeting adjourned.