



**Pulaski County Election Commission
Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2017
5:00 p.m.**

Members Present

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

Staff Present

Bryan Poe
Shawn Camp
Amanda Dickens

Visitors Present: Jason Kennedy, County Clerk's Office

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

Approval of Meeting Minutes June 15, 2017

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

Business

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

Provisional Ballot Hearing

No one appeared to contest.

Final decision

- 8 - ineligible
- 1 - eligible

Commissioner Boyle moved to certify decision of provisional ballots; seconded by Commissioner Harris-Ritter. Motion passed by voice vote.

Certification of Official Election Results PCSSD Special Election June 13, 2017

- FOR 2629
- AGAINST 1337

Commissioner Harris-Ritter moved to certify official election results of the PCSSD Special Election on June 13, 2017; seconded by Commissioner Boyle. Motion passed by voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Poe stated that the Administrative Assistant position in the Election Commission is set to run in print publication from June 23-29, 2017. After applications are received, Mr. Poe and Mr. Camp will review applications and interview applicants the week of July 4. Second interviews will take place on July 11, 2017 beginning at 2:00 p.m.

August 8, 2017 NLR Special Election

Absentee ballots have been delivered to the County Clerk.
Chief Judge letters have been mailed.

On June 20, 2017, Mr. Poe, along with County Attorney Adam Fogleman met officials from the Cities of Sherwood and Jacksonville and respective Chambers of Commerce and State Representative Bob Johnson to discuss Wet/Dry Special Elections. The date selected for this election is November 14, 2017. The city attorneys of both cities are under the impression that a resolution needs to be passed for the boundary lines to be redrawn. This was done in May 2013 and does not need to be readdressed. Mr. Poe and Mr. Fogleman plan to meet with the city attorneys to explain in detail that this will not be necessary to address.

School Board filings will begin in July for Jacksonville/North Pulaski (two zones) and North Little Rock (two zones) School Districts. The Annual School Board Election will be September 19, 2017.

The State Board of Election Commission (SBEC) met yesterday to approve emergency rules for the state voter verification laws. These rules were not passed by the board in time for the August 8, 2017 NLR Special Election to take effect. The board advised to use the emergency rules as guidelines in conducting the August election.

The SBEC certified two new voting machines: the DS400 (equivalent to the M650) and the Express Vote Tabulator (equivalent to the M100).

Mr. Kennedy noted that absentee ballots for the August 8, 2017 NLR Special Election were mailed yesterday.

Election Day Ballots for the August 8, 2017 NLR Special Election have been ordered.

Mr. Poe will be talking with Saline County to clear up the issue of transfer of voting equipment to Pulaski County. There was some information concerning the possibility of a transfer that was misreported and he wants to make sure that this information is communicated properly.

The next meeting is scheduled on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned.