Sumner County Election Commission Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 11, 2018

Members present: Patricia D. Collins, Secretary and Members, Jeffery B. Hulsey and John W. Smith. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections and Annette Haw, Assistant Administrator of Elections. The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. in Room 106 in the County Administration Building, Gallatin TN and a quorum was present.

I. <u>Call meeting</u> to Order

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed 3-0.

II. Approve Agenda

The Agenda was approved with a motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey, to approve the Agenda and the motion passed 3-0.

III. Old Business

A. Approve minutes of August 14, 2018 with a motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Collins, and the motion passed 3-0. Approve minutes of August 23, 2018 with a motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Collins and the motion passed 3-0.

IV. <u>New Business</u>

- A. Commissioners present inspected 82 newly processed voter registration applications out of the total registrations of 820 processed as required by statute with no discretions noted. All Commissioners present signed the report. Chairman Ehmling joined the meeting at 4:11 p.m. and participated in the voter registration application process.
- B. One appeal Menefee, voter had mistakenly checked the "convicted of a felony" question yes motion by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey to accept the voter registration application and the motion passed 4-0.

C. Report from Administrator:

AOE discussed the office reconfiguration/remodel to take place December 10 – December 14, 2018. AOE recommended closing office due to dust/debris from construction. General discussion among Commissioners. AOE stated that one deputy could be in office in conference room with a laptop – however, all Kardveyors, computers, files, etc. would be covered with plastic and inaccessible. AAOR states that we could have a secure dropbox for new registrations. Motion by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Hulsey to close office with no personnel on site, modified telephone message, signage and secure dropbox for the week December 10 – December 14, 2018, and the motion passed 4-0.

AOE discussed need for Special Call Meeting prior to regular meeting of October 9, 2018 in order to certify Early Voting Machines prior to start of Nursing Home voting on October 9, 2018. General discussion – consensus was to move the regular meeting to October 3, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commission Collins and the motion passed 4-0.

AOE discussed Kardveyors - AOE, AAOE and two deputies went to NES to observe their double stack Kardveyor - plan to visit Davidson County on Thursday, September 13, 2018 to observe their Kardveyor that

contained trays similar to the ones utilized in our election office. AOE will continue to advise election commission of findings.

AOE concluded the Administrator report.

V. Report From Election Commissioners

Chairman Ehmling reported that AOE, himself and Commissioner Smith had spoken at the budget meeting the evening before with no action taken; however, Chairman Chris Taylor and Committee Member Paul Goode both stated that the issue would be addressed at the next budget cycle. Commissioner Smith encouraged all members to be involved in the next budget cycle discussions and meetings.

Commissioner Smith commented that the Election Commission should consider adding additional early voting days for the November 06, 2018 Election. AOE stated that the County Commission would have to fund. Commissioner Smith also referenced the August 13, 2018 Budget Meeting with General Discussion by all Election Commissioners that resulted in mutual requests for Additional Data to be presented for the September 2018 Budget Meeting.

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed unanimously 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

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Patricia D. Collins, Secretar

Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections