Sumner County Election Commission Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Members present: Chairman Allen Ehmling, Secretary Patricia Collins and Members Barbara Brake, Jeffery Hulsey, John W. Smith. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections and Annette Haw, Assistant Administrator of Elections. The meeting convened at 4:04 p.m. in Room 106 in the County Administration Building, Gallatin TN and a quorum was present.

- I. The meeting was called to order, motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Brake and passed 5-0.
- II. The Agenda was approved with a motion by Commissioner Brake, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey, and motion passed 5-0.

III. Old Business

A. Approve Minutes of the Following Meeting

October 10, 2017 - Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Smith, and the motion passed 5-0.

IV. New Business

A. <u>Inspection - New Processed Voter Registration Applications</u>

Commissioners inspected 57 new processed voter registration applications out of the total registrations of 566 processed as required by statute with no discretions noted. All Commissioners present signed the report.

B. Inspection-Appeal Processed Voter Registration Applications - None.

C. Report from Administrator

AOE Atchley requested confirmation of time & date to lock bags. Motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Smith to change the regular meeting date to Monday, January 8, 2018 at 2:00pm to lock all provisional bags for the May 1, 2018 election.

AOE Atchley stated that she is waiting on a decision from Coordinator Mark Goins related to TCA 2-12-108 (a)(3) compensation to pay commissioners for less than one hour. Clarification was made in February 2017 by State that statute is defined no payment will be paid for election commission meetings under one hour in session. Commissioner Brake requested clarification of the statute language of "...call or conduct an election" which would allow commissioners to be compensated for less than one hour meetings.

AOE concluded the Administrator report.

IV. <u>Report from Election Commissioners</u>

A. Chairman

Nothing to report.

B. <u>Election Commissioners</u>

Commissioner Collins discussed meeting with local League of Women Voters. Requested discussion of and procedures of property rights, how public records requests work and the referendum process. AOE provided explanations/answers to each question.

Commissioner Smith discussed Vol State student recruitment and upcoming meetings. Will use google maps feature to enhance election day site visits. AOE Atchley mentioned at least two commissioners must arrive by 3 p.m. on Election Day to open absentee provisional ballot bags for the Counting Board.

Commissioner Brake confirmed traffic control at St. Timothy's early voting location. AOE Atchley stated that two traffic control officers will be utilized. Commissioner Brake mentioned a request for additional supplies for commissioners that would be available on Election Day. AOE noted this process had been in place since 2016.

V. <u>Adjournment</u>

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Collins, passed unanimously 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

M. Allen Ehmling, Chairman

Patricia Collins, Secretary

Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections