

**Sumner County Election Commission
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 12, 2017**

Members present: Chairman Allen Ehmling, Jeffery Hulseley, Kaye Kemnitz, Secretary Patricia Collins. Commissioner Brake was not present. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections and Annette Haw, Assistant Administrator of Elections. The meeting convened at 4:01 p.m. in Room 106 in the County Administration Building, Gallatin TN and a quorum was present. Meeting was called to order with a motion by Commissioner Kemnitz and seconded by Commissioner Hulseley and passed unanimously 4-0 and the Agenda was approved with a motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Hulseley, and motion passed unanimously 4-0.

I. Old Business

A. Approve Minutes of the Following Meeting

August 8, 2017 – Motion by Commissioner Kemnitz, seconded by Commissioner Hulseley, and motion passed 4-0.

II. New Business

A. Inspection - New Processed Voter Registration Applications

Commissioners inspected 54 new processed voter registration applications out of the total registrations of 532 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 that the commission approve a consolidation of the Officer of Election class and the Registrar class with a combined fee of \$40. No monetary increase overall, just keeps officers from coming to two classes and will overall shorten the class. Most officers are seasoned and taking the entry level registrar class often leads to boredom and disruption. County Commission will have to approve following approval by Election Commission. Motion by Commissioner Kemnitz, seconded by Commissioner Collins, motion passed 4-0.

AOE Atchley stated that it appeared that the e-mail addresses created for the commissioners were not being regularly checked. AOE suggested reverting to elections@sumnertn.org and AOE and Assistant AOE could monitor and forward any relevant issues to the commissioners. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Kemnitz and seconded by Commissioner Hulseley and the motion passed 4-0.

AOE concluded the Administrator report.

III. Report from Election Commissioners -

A. Chairman:

Chairman Ehmling no report other than to request Commissioner Kemnitz notify AOE if/when resigning from Commission due to sale of home and moving out of county/state.

B. Election Commissioners:

Commissioner Collins discussed website changes requested by herself and Commissioner Brake.

Commissioner Collins stated that she had not yet scheduled a meeting with the Hendersonville Senior Center per the previous meeting, but had spoken to the League of Women's Voters about recruiting Democratic poll workers.

Commissioner Kemnitz stated that she had spoken at a Vol State event about recruiting all poll workers. Commissioner Collins accepted Commissioner Kemnitz's ballot bag key in anticipation of Commissioner Kemnitz's resignation on Friday September 15, 2017.

IV. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Collins, passed unanimously 4-0.
Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.



M. Allen Ehmling, Chairman



Patricia Collins, Secretary



Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING A NEUTRAL CLASS PAY CHANGE FOR SUMNER COUNTY'S ELECTION DAY POLL OFFICIALS

Whereas, the Sumner County Election Commission is responsible for the conduct of all elections held in Sumner County; and

Whereas, County-Wide Elections require multiple Election Day poll officials in 27 precincts, absentee voting, early voting, satellite voting, nursing home voting, inmate voting, hospital voting and ADA voting, across 12 County Commission Districts; and

Whereas, the challenge of recruiting, training and retaining Election Day poll officials has become increasingly difficult; and

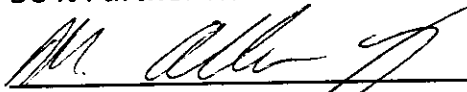
Whereas, the passage of State and Federal Legislation has improved elections while increasing the responsibilities of Election Day poll officials; and

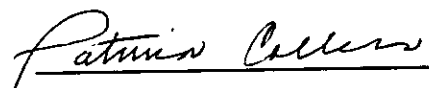
Whereas, the request herein is not a class fee increase request but a neutral request for combining two classes to one for the Officer & Special Registrars. This will increase the time spent and the fee from \$20 to \$40 for the Officer/Special Registrar class only. All other classes will stay at the \$20 fee as it has since 2007 for a 2 hour class.


Now, Therefore Be It Resolved by the members of the Sumner County Election Commission in regular session on October 10, 2017, request that the following election training class pay change to be approved by the Sumner County Commission effective December 1, 2017:

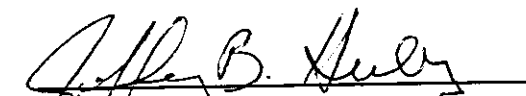
Any election official who attends a training school is paid \$20 per each class for their time and travel. The request is to change the class training fee from \$20 to \$40 for combining the Officer/Special Registrar & Registrar classes which will increase class time to 3.5-4 hours versus 2 hours. Again, no budget increase is required.


Be It Further Resolved that this resolution be part of the minutes of this body.


M. Allen Ehmling, Chairman


Patricia Collins, Secretary


Barbara W. Brake, Member


Jeffery B. Hulsey, Member


John W. Smith, Member