SUMNER COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023, 4:30 p.m.

Members present: Chairman M. Allen Ehmling; Secretary Denise D. Shepherd; Commissioner Patricia D. Collins, Commissioner J. Michael Fussell, and Commissioner Jeffery B. Hulsey. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections (AOE) and Annette Haw, Assistant Administrator of Elections (AAOE).

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chairman Ehmling with a motion by Commissioner Fussell, seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed 5 – 0.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with a motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Fussell, and the motion passed 5-0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONSIDER THE CITY OF MILLERSVILLE LETTER TO CALL FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION PER STATUTE REGARDING AN UNFILLED COMMISSIONER VACANCY FOR THE CITY OF MILLERSVILLE.

A copy of the letter from the City of Millersville Mayor Tommy Long requesting that the SCEC hold a Special Election to fill the vacated commissioner seat was included in each of the Commissioner's packets. AOE stated that she and AAOE had been in constant contact and coordinating with the State Election Office to ensure compliance on all statutes and the election date.

B. APPROVE ELECTION DATE FOR THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF MILLERSVILLE, APPROVE CITY OF MILLERSVILLE SPECIAL ELECTION EARLY VOTING HOURS, LOCATION, POLLING HOURS, POLLWORKERS.

Commissioner Fussell made a motion to call for a City of Millersville Special Election to fill the commissioner vacancy to be held on December 19, 2023, at the Millersville Community Center, seconded by Commissioner Collins and the motion passed 5-0.

AOE stated that per the State Election Office, the minimum number of hours a precinct must be open on Election Day is 10 hours and must end at 7:00 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Fussell to set the Election Day hours for the City of Millersville Special Election from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Fussell made a motion to hold early voting for the City of Millersville at the Millersville Community Center Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the days required by statute, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Fussell made a motion to approve the Republican Poll workers as presented with the caveat that AOE and AAOE could make replacements if necessary due to illness, etc., the motion was seconded by Commissioner Hulsey and the motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Shepherd made a motion to approve the Democratic Poll workers as presented with the caveat that AOE and AAOE could make replacements if necessary due to illness, etc., the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and the motion passed 2-0.

C. LOCK AND SEAL BALLOT BAGS FOR THE CITY OF MILLERSVILLE SPECIAL ELECTION.

Commissioners locked and sealed the ballot bags for the City of Millersville Special Election and all appropriate documentation was signed by the Commissioners.

V. REPORT FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Commissioner Fussell seconded by Commissioner Collins to adjourn the meeting, and the motion passed 5 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

M. Allen Ehmling, Chairman

Denise D. Shepherd, Secretary

Lori D/Atchley, Administrator of Elections