

Minutes

Franklin County Board of Elections

Board Meeting – November 6, 2020 (Sample Audit Count)

The Franklin County Board of Elections met on this date at 9:00 am. The following were present at that time: Chairperson Sonravea Privette, Board Secretary Harry Barrick, Board Members Barry Gupton, M. Rose Gill and Angela Pearce (virtual), Director Michelle Chavis, and Deputy Director Colette S. Kneeland, and observer Armenta Eaton.

Chairperson Sonravea Privette called the meeting to order and turned the meeting over to Director Michelle Chavis. The Director explained the purpose of the meeting was to supervise the Sample Audit Count for the 2020 Presidential General Election and conduct other business matters first.

Other Business

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The Director reported that precinct #10 Gold Mine had a voting system incident on Election day that required the DS200 emergency bin to be used because the laptop printers were not operational. The emergency ATV labels were used to allow voters to cast their ballots, however, the labels were placed on the ballot instead of the ATV form. The ballots were not able to be fed into the tabulator and the emergency bin was used. At the end of the day the ballots were secured and returned to the Board of Elections office. The Board instructed the Director to reach out to the voters and inform them that their ballots will be properly duplicated by the Board and they will be able to observe them being tabulated at the Board Meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm. The Board broke the secure ballot container seal to retrieve the voter information from the ballots and then re-sealed them as follows: Old Seal #: 2018260, New Seal #: 172957.

New Business

Sample Audit Count

November 6, 2020

NCGS 163-182.1

The Board Members moved the meeting to the equipment room to supervise the Sample Audit count for the two precincts involved, #16 East Louisburg Country and #1 Louisburg City. Director Michelle Chavis explained the process of the Sample Audit Counting to the two bi-partisan teams. Both precincts were counting the Presidential contest for each candidate on the ballot. There were two bi-partisan teams per precinct polling place to separate and count the ballots. There were four people seated at each table; one to call, two to tally, and one to observe. The Board Members and staff observed as well.

The precinct ballots provided for precinct #16 East Louisburg Country were verified by the Board Members and the security seal numbers were recorded as follows: Old Seals: #1932298 and #2018229. The hand count for precinct #16 East Louisburg Country resulted in an exact match with the Election Night Reporting (ENR) results. Once the hand count for precinct #16 East Louisburg Country was successfully completed, the team signed the official counting form and the Board Members sealed the ballots back in their proper container with two numbered security seals recorded as follows: #2018109 and #2018110.

The precinct ballots provided for precinct #1 Louisburg City were verified by the Board Members and the security seal numbers were recorded as follows: Old Seals: #1932278 and #1932287. The hand count for precinct #1 Louisburg City resulted in an exact match with the ENR results. Once the hand

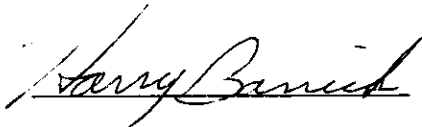
counts for precinct #1 Louisburg City were successfully completed, the team signed the official counting forms and the Board Members sealed the ballots in their proper container with two numbered security seals recorded as follows: #2018123 and #0046812.

After the Sample Audit was completed, the Board returned to the conference room at 10:16 am and discussed the upcoming Board meeting dates as follows:

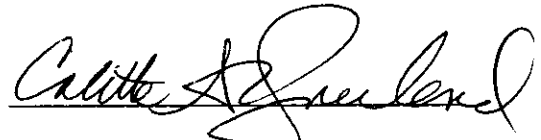
Provisional Ballot Review - Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 6:00 pm
Supplemental Absentee Ballot Review - Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 6:00 pm
Challenge Hearing – Friday, November 13, 2020 at 10:00 am
Canvass – Friday, November 13, 2020 at 11:00 am
Post Canvass – Friday, November 13, 2020 immediately after Canvass

Board Secretary Harry Barrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Board Member M. Rose Gill. The vote was unanimous.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:29 am.



Secretary, Harry Barrick



Deputy Director, Colette S. Kneeland