



MONTGOMERY COUNTY **BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

John Adams, Chair
Teddi Benson, Secretary
Kelsey Brown, Member
Debbie Burris, Member
Dree Wynkoop, Member

BOARD MINUTES **Tuesday, July 14, 2026** **5:30PM**

The Montgomery Board of Elections (BOE) met for the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on July 14, 2026, at the Montgomery County Board of Elections office located at 327 N Main Street in Troy. Members John Adams, Teddi Benson, Kelsey Brown, Debbie Burris, and Dree Wynkoop attended in person. BOE staff, Director Kimberly Walter was present.

Chair John Adams called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

The Board Meeting Agenda was presented. Member Burris made a motion to approve the agenda. Member Brown seconded the motion. All were in favor. The agenda was approved.

The Board Meeting Minutes from June 9, 2026, were presented. Member Wynkoop made a motion to approve the minutes. Member Benson seconded the motion. All Members were in favor. The minutes were approved, signed and returned to BOE office staff to file and to post on the BOE website.

Director Walter read the Director's Report dated 7/14/2026 regarding activities initiated and/or completed since the last Board meeting. A copy of the Director's Report is attached.

Old Business

There was no old business

Public Comment

No one made any public comments at this meeting.

New Business

Candidate Filing

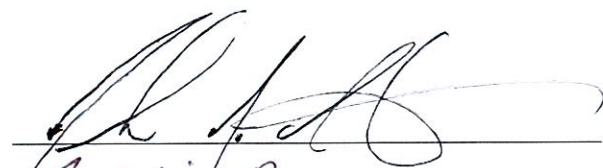
Director Walter presented the 2025-2026 Ending Budget and the Approved 2026-2027 Budget for review. It is good budget with cushion room for any unexpected expenses.

Director Walter presented the ADA Inspections Sheets for review and went over each precinct in detail using a PowerPoint presentation. Only eight precincts need minor adjustments to make them ADA compliant. The Director made example signs for the board to see. Letters outlining changes needed will be sent to the contact person for each site. Member Adams suggested copies of the letter also be sent to maintenance and Frankie Maness since they oversee all county buildings.

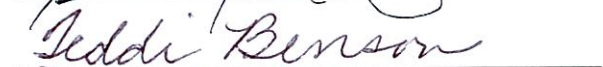
The proposed Early Voting Plans for 11/3/2026 were presented by Chair Adams. Early voting will commence October 15 through October 30, from 8:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. The last day will be Saturday, October 31 from 8:00 – 3:00 p.m. Member Benson questioned if a Sunday should be included for those voters that work more than one job and have difficulty getting to the polls. Member Brown asked how much that would cost. Since all three sites would need to be open, it would cost between \$700 - \$800. It was pointed out that everyone can vote absentee and NC state law says employers are required to let employees vote. After short discussion, Chair Adams called for a motion. Member Brown proposed we accept the plan as is. Member Wynkoop seconded. Board unanimously approved the plan. Member Benson asked that the board consider adding Sunday voting in the future because ALL voters need to be considered even if it's just a few. Member Wynkoop agreed and suggested the board consider a Sunday voting day for the next presidential election.

The board went into closed session to discuss personnel issues.

With no further comments or business to discuss, Member Wynkoop made a motion to adjourn. Member Burris seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.



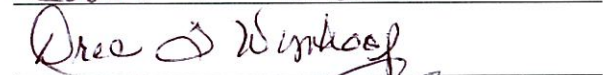
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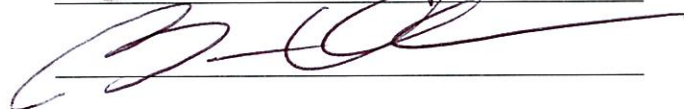
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Director's Report

July 14, 2026

- Candidate Filing for the municipalities of Star & Troy and Handy Sanitary District Board of Supervisors continues until this Friday, July 17th at Noon.

The following have filed for candidacy so far.

Soil & Water: Scott Maynor and Misty Maness

Handy Sanitary District:

Town of Troy Mayor: Craig Jones

Town of Troy Commissioners: Angie Elkins, Karyn Brantley, Bruce Hamilton

Town of Star Mayor:

Town of Star Commissioners: Trisha Mabe, Larry Stewart Christiana

- 6/16/2026 Maintenance Visit

Printelect came and performed annual machine maintenance. The DS200 from Candor that appeared to have frozen the ballot count on election day was set aside to be looked at specifically. The technician re-installed firmware on this machine and we made this machine the absentee ballot machine so it would stay at the office and not go out to any precinct.

The technician was unsure of why the machine performed this way but uninstalling firmware and reinstalling new firmware should fix the issue.

- I have completed ADA Inspections, and they are on the agenda today for review and discussion.
- IT Director Janet Meinke let me know the order for new precinct laptops was placed on Tuesday, July 7th when the laptops are received IT has processes to complete then they will get them to us as promptly as possible. At that point new printers will be ordered.

On July 8, I emailed you all a copy of the deceased voter report I received from the state. This report showed that Montgomery County had a total of 80 deceased voters on the voter rolls. As you know Donna is going back through the death reports month by month and as of yesterday afternoon, she has removed 41 voters that were not previously removed.