

# FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS Supplemental Absentee and Canvass Meeting Agenda November 15, 2019 - 10:00 a.m.

- 1. Absentee Meeting Called to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Moment of Silence
- 4. Public Comments

Persons who wish to speak concerning items on this agenda, or who wish to speak about a matter relating to Forsyth County elections should complete a speaker card and hand it to the Clerk before the meeting is called to order. The Chairperson has the discretion to limit the number of speakers and the time allotted for all speakers.

- 5. Approval of Absentee Ballots
- 6. Approval of Provisional Ballots
- 7. Tabulation of Absentee Ballots and Provisional Ballots
- 8. Certification of Absentee Ballot List and Abstracts
- 9. Absentee Meeting Adjournment
- 10. Canvass Called to Order
- 11. Report on Hand-to-Eye Sample Audit
- 12. Report on Election Audit and Reconciliation
- 13. Certification of Election Results
- 14. Approval of Minutes
- 15. Other Business
- 16. Closed Session (if necessary)
- 17. Adjournment

## FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS Supplemental Absentee and Canvass Meeting Minutes November 15, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

## Meeting Called to Order

A meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the second floor Board Meeting Room on November 15 at 10:01 a.m. Chairperson Campbell presiding.

**Board Members in attendance**: Chairperson Susan Campbell, Secretary Robert Durrah, Member Stuart Russell, Member John Loughridge, and Member Catherine Jourdan

Staff Members in attendance: Director Tim Tsujii, Deputy Director Michelle Bobadilla, Monica Gary, Adam Clark, Carlton Morgan, Tracy Teal and Kimberly Stuck

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Moment of Silence**

Chairperson Campbell led a moment of silence.

#### **Public Comment Session**

Chairperson Campbell called for public comments; none provided.

#### **Approval of Absentee Ballots**

Ms. Gary recommended 10 civilian absentee ballots for approval and 1 civilian absentee ballot for disapproval. Member Loughridge moved to approve staff recommendations; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

Director Tsujii and the Board discussed the Absentee submission process.

Ms. Gary presented the Supplemental Absentee Certification to Chairperson Campbell for signature.

#### **Approval of Provisional Ballots**

Ms. Gary presented the Board with 23 provisional for approval and 14 provisional ballots for disapproval and the remarked ballots for the Board's review. Director Tsujii reported that two of the approved provisional ballots from precinct 072 were mistakenly scanned through the M100 tabulator, and therefore, will not be re-tabulated. Member Jourdan moved to approve the 23 provisional ballots for approval and the 14 provisional ballots for disapproval; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

#### **Tabulation of Absentee Ballots and Provisional Ballots**

Director Tsujii and staff began the tabulation process for the 10 approved absentee ballots and the 21 approved provisional ballots. Director Tsujii presented the Board with the zero report prior to the tabulation of the approved absentee ballots; Mr. Tsujii presented the Board with the zero report for the 10 provisional ballots plus one provisional ballot that was put into the M100.

## **Certification of Absentee Ballot List and Abstracts**

Deputy Director Bobadilla presented the Certification of Absentee ballot list as well as the Absentee Abstracts to the Board for review and signature.

#### Absentee Meeting Adjournment

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the Absentee meeting; Member Russell seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**. Absentee meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

#### **Canvass Called to Order**

A Canvass meeting of the Forsyth County Board of Elections was called to order in the second floor Board Meeting Room on November 15 at 11:32 a.m. Chairperson Campbell presiding.

## **Report on Hand-to-Eye Sample Audit**

Deputy Director Bobadilla provided the report on the Hand-to-Eye audit to the Board noting that the State Board of Elections selected Precinct 061 – Kernersville Senior Center and Precinct 031- Rural Hall Elementary as well as Precinct 067 – Kernersville Fire Station #2 to fulfill the new equipment testing required. Ms. Bobadilla reported no discrepancies were found.

## **Report on Election Audit and Reconciliation**

Director Tsujii stated that there were four discrepancies due to two provisional ballots being run through the tabulator as well blank ballots being cast at two different precincts. Mr. Tsujii provided the Board with an overview of the write-in tabulation process noting that candidates must have five votes or more to have the write-in reported. Director Tsujii presented three ballots with write-ins to the Board for review. Director Tsujii and staff began the tabulation process.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Member Loughridge moved to approve the November 4, and November 5, 2019 minutes as submitted; Member Jourdan seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**.

#### **Other Business**

Deputy Director Bobadilla presented the Board with the One-Stop Early Voting Implementation Plan form for their signature and to be submitted to the State Board of Elections for signature.

#### **Certification of Election Results**

Ms. Bobadilla presented the Board with the Absentee Abstract for review and signature.

Director Tsujii presented the Cumulative Results Report and the Block Style Report to the Board for review and signature. Mr. Tsujii presented three sets of Abstracts with Block and Group reports to the Board for review and signature.

Member Jourdan moved to certify the 2019 Municipal Election; Secretary Durrah seconded; **Motion** carried unanimously.

Director Tsujii read the Town of Bethania's Mixed Beverage Bond Referendum and presented it to Secretary Durrah to enter the results on the certification. Member Loughridge moved to approve the resolution to approve the bond referendum; Secretary Durrah seconded; Motion carried unanimously.

Director Tsujii provided an overview of both the 450 and the 850 tabulators used as part of the required testing of equipment. Mr. Tsujii and the Board discussed Voter ID and potential second machine for outreach.

# **Closed Session (if necessary)**

None necessary

# **Adjournment**

Secretary Durrah moved to adjourn the Board meeting; Member Loughridge seconded; **Motion carried unanimously**. Meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Approved:

- s/ Susan Campbell Chair
- s/ Robert Durrah Secretary
- s/ Stuart Russell Member
- s/ John Loughridge Member
- s/ Catherine Jourdan Member