

**SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2020**

Regular meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission was held on January 21, 2020 at 4:00pm at the Election Operations Center, 980 Nixon Dr.

CALLED TO ORDER: By Chairman Stamson at 4:07 pm

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioners Uhlhorn, Taylor, Smith and Tate (arrived 4:22pm)

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 17, 2019 MINUTES

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Uhlhorn

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed unanimously

RESOLUTION FOR EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 3 PPP ELECTION:

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Taylor

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Smith

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Approved unanimously

RESOLUTION FOR EARLY VOTING SITE CHANGE:

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Taylor

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Smith

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Approved unanimously

RESOLUTION FOR ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATION CHANGES:

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Taylor

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Smith

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Approved unanimously

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Hold for discussion in Executive Session.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

See attachment.

OLD / NEW BUSINESS:

Old business:

Commissioner Taylor will set a security meeting with the AOE and Commissioner Smith.

AOE presented a revised budget amendment.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Taylor

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Tate

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Approved unanimously

New business:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Attorneys advised that the Election Commission is in a blackout period during this phase of the RFP for new voting machines so this meeting was not the time for public discussion. A public meeting will be held for discussion at the appropriate time.

- Rose Ann Bradley
- Sarah Freeman
- Mitchell Morrison
- Steve Mulroy
- Joseph Weinberg
- AJ Danman
- Mike Kernell
- Linda Street

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Regular Commission Meeting scheduled for February 12, 2020 at 4pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission recessed the public meeting at 5:09pm for an Executive Session to meet with legal counsel regarding pending litigation. Chairman Stamson, Commissioners Taylor, Uhlhorn, Smith and Tate, AOE Linda Phillips, Attorneys Ryder, Varela and Attorney Hagler went into a private executive session. Executive Session ended at 5:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

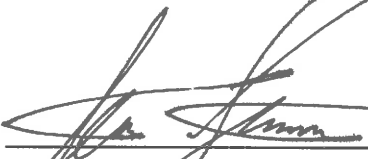
Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

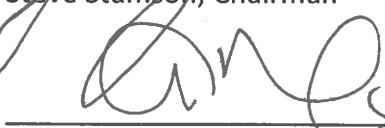
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

- Linda Phillips, AOE
- Carol Collinsworth, Staff
- Attorney Ryder
- Attorney Varela
- Attorney Hagler
- Attorney Bibbs
- Suzanne Thompson Cozza
- Mickey Klenz
- Joseph Weinberg

- James Johnson
- Nathan Dye
- Billy Beaver
- Roberta Pearl
- Rose Ann Bradley
- Mitchell Morrison
- A.J. Daneman
- Sarah Freeman
- Dr. K Andre Brooks

- Barbara Williams
- Erika Sugarmon
- Peg Watkins
- Linda Street
- Paul Boyd
- Steve Mulroy
- Mike Kernell
- Wain Poole
- Dorothy Poole


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 Steve Stamson, Chairman Date


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 Anthony Tate, Secretary Date



Shelby County Election Commission

Administrator of Elections Monthly Report January, 2020

Voter and Candidate Services

- 215 UOCAVA ballots for the deadline. Overall, absentee requests are not as high as we expected.
- Campaign finance notices for the fourth quarter were sent on time. Open committees at the end of the year (i.e. any campaign that doesn't have a zero balance) notices are going out to day.
- We have no backlog of voter registration applications; every form that can be processed is processed.

Operations Department

- We are in full on election mode so aside from our normal election activities there isn't anything to report.
- The public test of election equipment for the March 3rd election is from 9:00am to 11:00am on Friday, February 7th.

Administrator

- Voters DO NOT need a real ID to vote – only to get on airplanes and into federal facilities.
- The first day to issue petitions for the US Senate, US House, Tennessee Senate and Tennessee house primary and Shelby County School Board general election in August is Monday, February 3, 2020. Candidates who will be running the November municipal elections can pick up their petitions starting on Monday, June 22nd.

- Campaign finance deadlines this year are pretty complicated – it depends on what election you run in. Details are at: <https://www.tn.gov/tref/tref-candidates/tref-candidate-filing-deadlines.html>

- Carla and I attended the Joint Election Officials Liaison Conference in Washington, DC earlier this month. It was an excellent meeting with presentations by the Department of Homeland Security, the Elections Infrastructure Information Sharing and Analysis Center (EI-ISAC), National State Geographic Information Council regarding the use of GIS in the upcoming redistricting, and #TRUSTEDINFO2020 regarding fake news.

- Both Carla and I attended a webinar presented by the University of Minnesota Humphrey School of Public Affairs on understanding polling place lines and planning for 2020.

- Joe Young attended the Defending Digital Democracy: Battlestaff Bootcamp in Washington DC.

- RFP due date is this week; looking at the calendar, I believe that you all will need to have a special meeting in Early March to select a voting system.

- Website update – As of last night, our website has had 1.6 million unique page views. Sample ballots are posted and as requested, a page has been added on the Life Cycle of an Election. I'm going to try to make that slightly less boring by adding some pictures.

- Even with the holidays, we have been having some outreach events. We attended the Naturalization Ceremonies, attended the Deaf Connect meeting, and did two absentee presentations. We were at the Grizzlies game on January 17, 2020 and will be back on January 26, 2020. There is a Deputy Registrar class this evening; you are welcome to stay for it.

- Days to Upcoming Events:
 - Start of Early Voting – 22 Days
 - Presidential Preference Primary – 42 Days
 - County General/State Federal Primary – 198 Days
 - Presidential Election – 287 Days