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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING Minutes of September 2, 2020

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:11 pm on September 2, 2020 via Zoom.

Roll Call:

Commissioner Ethridge King

Present

Commissioner Charles Marquardt

Present

Commissioner Larry Ward

Present

Commissioner Victoria Harris

Present

Also present was Executive Director Tanya Ford-Crump and Assistant Director Lesley Waxman.

I: MINUTES

Motion:

To approve the Minutes of August 26, 2020 with corrections

Moved:

Commissioner King

Seconded:

Commissioner Ward

Roll Call

Commissioner King

Yea

Commissioner Marquardt

Yea

Commissioner Ward

Yea

Commissioner Harris

Yea

Passed:

4-0

The Chair proceeded to move to the Action Agenda.

IV. ACTION AGENDA

Old Business

2020 State Primary, Tuesday, September 1

- Review of Provisional Ballots

Commissioner Marquardt announced that on September 1, the following polling locations did not have any provisional ballots cast to review:

Ward 1 Precinct 1; Ward 1 Precinct 2; Ward 1 Precinct 3; Ward 2 Precinct 1; Ward 2 Precinct 2; Ward 2 Precinct 3; Ward 3 Precinct 1; Ward 3 Precinct 2; Ward 3 Precinct 2A; Ward 3 Precinct 3; Ward 4 Precinct 1; Ward 4 Precinct 2; Ward 5 Precinct 2; Ward 5 Precinct 3; Ward 6 Precinct 1; Ward 6 Precinct 2; Ward 6 Precinct 3; Ward 7 Precinct 1; Ward 7 Precinct 2; Ward 7 Precinct 3; Ward 8 Precinct 1; Ward 8 Precinct 2; Ward 8 Precinct 3; Ward 9 Precinct 2, Ward 10 Precinct 2; Ward 10 Precinct 3; Ward 11 Precinct 1; and Ward 11 Precinct 3.

The following precincts had provisional ballots received during the Primary early voting period of August 22 - 28, 2020: Ward 1 Precinct 1; Ward 3 Precinct 1; Ward 6 Precinct 1; Ward 9 Precinct 2; and Ward 11 Precinct 1.

Commissioner Marquardt reviewed research related to each of the provisional ballots. The following votes were taken on each ballot reviewed. Commissioner Marquardt read and Ms. Waxman tallied the ballots received during early voting which were voted to be counted:

Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Disposition	
1-1.	EV #1	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	
3-1	EV #1	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	
6-1	EV #1	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	
6-1	EV #2	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	
9-2	EV #1	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	
11-1 EV #1		Motion: To count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0	

The following precincts had provisional ballots cast at the primary on September 1: Ward 9 Precinct 1; Ward 9 Precinct 3; Ward 10 Precinct 1; and Ward 11 Precinct 2. Commissioner Marquardt reviewed research related to each of the provisional ballots. The following votes were taken on each ballot reviewed. Commissioner Marquardt read and Ms. Waxman tallied the ballots received during early voting which were voted to be counted:

	Ward/Precinct	Ballot Number	Disposition
	9-1	#1	Motion: To count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0
	9-3	#1	Motion: To empower staff to count or reject ballot pending confirmation from the Registry of Motor Vehicles regarding voter registration status Moved: Commissioner Ward Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0
	10-1	#1	Motion: To empower staff to count or reject ballot pending confirmation from the Registry of Motor Vehicles regarding voter registration status Moved: Commissioner Ward Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0
	10-1	#2	Motion: To empower staff to count or reject ballot pending confirmation from the Registry of Motor Vehicles regarding voter registration status Moved: Commissioner Ward Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0
	11-2	#1	Motion: To not count the ballot Moved: CommissionerWard Seconded: Commissioner King Passed: 4-0

III PUBLIC COMMENT

John Hawkinson stated that audio reception of the meeting was poor, and suggested all microphones not in use be turned off during the meeting.

The next meetings will be held on September 16, 2020 and September 23, 2020 at 5:30 pm via Zoom

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 1:51 pm

Moved: Commissioner King Seconded: Commissioner Ward

Roll Call

Commissioner Marquardt Yea
Commissioner Harris Yea
Commissioner Ward Yea
Commissioner King Yea
Passed: 4—0

↑ True Record Attested by:

Victoria Harris, Secretar