



SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 23, 2022

The regular meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission was held on May 23, 2022 at the O.C. Pleasant, Jr. Election Operations Center, 980 Nixon Drive, at 4:00pm. This meeting was recorded on Facebook live.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Chairman Luttrell at 4:12pm.

Chairman's personal comments in remembrance of John Ryder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioners Kimbrow (4:19pm), Stamson, and Uhlhorn

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Linda Phillips, AOE
Joe Young, DAOE
Monice Hagler, Attorney
Jacob Swatley, Attorney
Deborah Upchurch, staff
Sherry Hewlett, staff
Ron Boozer, staff
Nancy Tapp
Rose Ann Bradley
Cherie Pyron
Jina Sanders
Sandra Oates

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

No comments.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 25, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Stamson motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Uhlhorn

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MAY 13, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Stamson

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed Unanimously

APPROVAL OF MAY 18, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Stamson motion to approve the minutes.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Uhlhorn

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed Unanimously

VOTER REGISTRATION APPEAL REQUEST:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to deny appeal.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Stamson

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed Unanimously

AOE Phillips presented item and recommended denying appeal due to registrant, William Jackson's felony convictions on record.

RESOLUTION TO ELIMINATE ZONE TRANSMISSION OF UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS:

MOTION STATED: Commissioner Uhlhorn motion to approve.

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Kimbrow

OUTCOME OF MOTION: Passed Unanimously

AOE Phillips presented information on item. Trial run during May 3, 2022 Election was successful and recommended to eliminate zone transmission of unofficial election results permanently. New turn-in procedure was secure, timely, and went smoothly.

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS:

The Chairman shared that he and AOE Phillips spoke briefly this week with media on behind the headlines program with Eric Barnes and Bill Dries about the May 3, 2022 Primary, plans for the future, election volunteers, and election equipment. Article from discussion was published in the Daily Memphian.

Over the weekend, the Chairman sent emails to the County Commission members, copying the Election Commissioners and AOE Phillips, outlining the voting machine issues that occurred during the May 3, 2022 Election with a strong appeal for new equipment.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Swatley reported on five (5) active cases in litigation. The voting machine case is on-going. Last Wednesday, AOE Phillips was served with a lawsuit by Marion Latroy Alexandria-Williams Jr. involving his eligibility to run in the May 3, 2022 election. His eligibility was denied by TN Bureau of Ethics and Campaign Finance issue. There are three candidate qualification challenges that the Election Commission had decided to bring before the Chancery Court for

determination. The Lee Mills matter was resolved and he is eligible to run for office. The Kenya Brooks matter was also heard and she is also eligible to run for office, still waiting on final order. The Amber Mills matter is in active litigation at this time.

Attorney Swatley's Personal comments in remembrance of John Ryder.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

AOE Phillips presented her report. Report is attached.

Update on first item: Strike first candidate name on overdue CFD list. Candidate turned in CFD today.


OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.


ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made to adjourn by Commissioner Stamson, seconded by Commissioner Uhlhorn.

Meeting adjourned at 4:34pm.



Mark Luttrell, Chairman Date 6/27/22



Bennie Smith, Secretary Date 6/27/22

ITEM #: 2022-12

PREPARED BY: Linda Phillips

APPROVED BY: Linda Phillips

RESOLUTION TO ELIMINATE ZONE TRANSMISSION OF UNOFFICIAL RESULTS

WHEREAS, the Election Commission decided in 2004 to transmit unofficial election night results from various locations around the county via secure virtual private network technology in order to speed up tabulations of results and,

WHEREAS, the public perception of the safety of this practice has changed and,

WHEREAS, the increase in early voting has greatly reduced the number of ballots cast on Election Day so that a slight increase in the time required to get the results to the Operations Center is outweighed by the perception of increased security and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION, that the memory devices from the election day machines will be returned to the Operations Center.



Mark Luttrell, Chairman

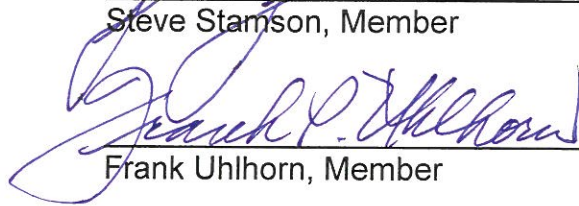
Bennie Smith, Jr, Secretary



Vanecia Belser Kimbrow, Member



Steve Stamson, Member



Frank Uhlhorn, Member

Adopted May 23, 2022



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Voter and Candidate Services

- The following candidates have been sent certified letters informing them of their overdue CFD for the pre-primary that was due 4/26/2022.

| First Name | Last Name | Office Name |
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| Jamita | Swearengen | Circuit Court Clerk |
| Carla Jean | Stotts | Criminal Court Clerk |
| Wanda | Faulkner | County Register |
| Robert | White | Juvenile Court Clerk |
| Eddie | Jones | Probate Court Clerk |
| Roderic | Ford | County Trustee |
| Kathy | Kirk | SC Commissioner, Dist. 10 |
| Miska | Bibbs | SC Commissioner, Dist. 11 |
| David | Walker | SC Commissioner, Dist. 12 |
| Britney | Chauncey | SC Commissioner, Dist. 4 |
| Reginald | French | SC Commissioner, Dist. 5 |
| Shante | Avant | SC Commissioner, Dist. 5 |
| Alex | Boulton | SC Commissioner, Dist. 6 |
| Charlie | Caswell | SC Commissioner, Dist. 6 |
| Althea | Greene | SC Commissioner, Dist. 7 |

- The following August candidates have failed to file CFD and have been sent certified letters about their failure to file 1st Quarter reports.

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| Scott | Benjamin | Arlington School Bd., Pos. 1 |
| Timothy | Green, Jr. | County School Bd., Dist. 6 |
| Kenneth | Lee | County School Bd., Dist. 6 |
| Tiffani | Perry | County School Bd., Dist. 6 |
| Arnold | Weiner | District 31 - Committeeman- Rep. |
| JoAnn | Wooten-Lewis | District 32 - Committeewoman-Dem. |
| Melanie | Simpson | District 33 - Committeewoman-Dem |
| Patrick | Dandridge | Gen. Sess. Crim. Ct. Judge, Div. 14 |
| Don | Taylor | Sheriff |

Operations Department

- Is in post-election mode.
- Has started work on the August ballot.

Administrator

- **Outreach**
 - Held one deputy registrar class in May – the total trained in 2022 is 119. We have two additional classes scheduled in June. Right now we have 199 active deputy registrars.
 - Went to 2 high schools in April – Crosstown High School had 32 applications. We were at Whitehaven High School on May 21st. Year to date we have 1,164 apps.
 - Attended the following events:
 - 901 Connect, Latino Community Civic Engagement Fair
 - International Flea Market – Voter registration event
 - Presentation of the Anne Dallas Dudley awards to Middle College High School and Tipton-Rosemark Academy
- **First Day** - The first day for candidates for municipal offices on the ballot in November is June 20, 2022. That is a county holiday but we will be open.
- **Lawsuit** – A lawsuit has been filed by Charles Carney protesting his removal from the Republican primary ballot for Governor. This has the potential to delay preparation of the August ballot.
- **Days to Upcoming Events:**
 - Voter Registration Deadline for August – 43 Days
 - Early Voting Starts for August – 53 Days
 - Early Voting Ends – 68
 - County General/ State Federal Primary Election – 73 Days
 - November General Election – 169 Days