SHELBY COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES August 25, 2014

APPROVED

The Regular Meeting of the Shelby County Election Commission was held on August 25, 2014 at 4:00 PM at the Election Operations Center, 980 Nixon Drive. All Commissioners present.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Meyers at 4:02 P.M.

<u>DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 16, 2014 REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING</u>
Commissioner Lester moved to approve July 16, 2014 Minutes of Regular Commission Meeting with corrections to dates. Commissioner Nollner seconded. Minutes Approved.

ATTORNEYS' REPORTS

Attorney Hagler – nothing to report.

Attorney Bibbs – nothing to report.

ELECTIONS OPERATIONS & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT - ATTACHED

Presented by Commissioner Nollner

ELECTIONS VOTER AND CANDIDATE SERVICES & HR COMMITTEE REPORT – ATTACHED

Presented by Commissioner Stamson

Question was raised in committee about starting meetings early (prior to the posted start time). Attorney Hagler stated that it is a requirement to start at the posted start time.

<u>CERTIFICATION OF AUGUST 7, 2014 FEDERAL & STATE PRIMARY AND SHELBY COUNTY</u> GENERAL ELECTIONS

Commissioner Lester moved to Certify the August 7 Federal & State Primary and Shelby County General Elections in total. Commissioner Nollner seconded.

Discussion: Commissioner Lester wanted to clarify that the certification is only about the numbers and not any other issues surrounding the election. Also, Commissioner Lester asked if about the commissioners receiving an early "unofficial" Statement of Votes Cast (SOVC) and a Participating Voters List (PVL). Commissioner Lester also asked if these documents were part of the auditors review. Administrator Holden explained that an "unofficial" SOVC and PVL have incomplete totals until presented for certification. Regarding the auditor's report, Mr. Holden has been requested to find how they determine the random sample of machine tapes audited and what is the percentage sampled. Mr. Holden confirms that the Election Commission does audit 100% but will supply the requested information.

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Chairman Meyers called for a vote on the Certification of the August 7, 2014 Federal and State Primary and Shelby County General Elections in Total. Motion passed with Commissioner Lester abstaining.

New Business

Mr. Holden presented a list of municipal candidates for certification on the November 4, 2014 ballot. Filing deadline was August 21, 2014 and deadline to withdraw is noon August 28, 2014. If the candidates are certified now, it will be with the knowledge that someone may withdraw by noon Thursday, August 28, 2014. A special meeting can be called after the 28th should the Commissioners not be comfortable certifying the candidates before the withdrawal deadline. Attorney Hagler recommended waiting until after the 28th. As the Commission Committee meetings are already scheduled for September 3, Commissioner Stamson recommended a Special Meeting be held at 3:30 p.m. on September 3, 2014 to Certify the Municipal Candidates for the November 4, 2014 ballot and the other Commissioners agreed.

Update on Wine In Grocery Stores

Commission Lester asked for an update on the Wine in Grocery Stores petitions. Mr. Holden responded that the suburbs all have enough signatures to include the question on the ballot in November. Memphis currently has 12,000 of the 13,000 signatures needed but there are still hundreds of pages of signatures to be verified. Therefore, it appears that Memphis will be finished within the week. There are not enough signatures submitted in the unincorporated area of Shelby County to qualify. Daily releases have been given to the media to keep the public informed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Operations & Technology Committee Meeting will be September 3, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.

Next VCS & HR Committee Meeting will be September 3, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. A Special Commission Meeting will be held September 3, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. to Certifiy the Municipal Candidates for the November 4, 2014 Ballot.

The next Regular Commission Meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2104 at 4:00 pm.

Commissioner Stamson moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Tate seconded.

No discussion.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:53 p.m. without objection.

Others in attendance:

Rich Holden, Administrator Joe Young, Deputy Administrator Albert Holmes, Operations Manager

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