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BURKE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
2128 SOUTH STERLING ST. SUITE 100 MORGANTON NC 28655
TUESDAY MAY 12, 2020
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Attending: Chairman LH Kirksey, Linda Walker, Sandi Walker, Anthony Iovino, Trossie Wall, and Director Debbie Mace.
Guest: Pam Genant

Chairman Kirksey called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence. There were no public comments offered.

Sandi Walker made a motion to amend the agenda to add two closed session minutes for March 10 and March 13 for approval (in the closed session) and approve the amended agenda. All approved.

Director noted the April board meeting had been canceled due to the Covid 19 virus shutdowns.

Anthony Iovino made a motion to approve the minutes from (8) previous meetings Feb. 11 regular meeting, Feb 18 absentee ballot, Feb. 25 absentee ballot, Mar. 2 absentee ballot, Mar. 3 primary day meeting, Mar. 10 regular/supplemental/absentee/provisional meeting, Mar. 13 canvass, and Mar. 16 re-canvass 2020. All approved.

Business:

FYI from Director Mace;

Application forms for poll workers are now posted on the website.

Due to the Covid 19 virus discussion was held on preparing for the fall election, operational concerns if the virus is still problematic, and collecting supplies necessary for health precautions.

Recap on March 3rd primary on voting equipment, all positive remarks with few glitches.

Trossie Wall made a motion to contact by email the County Manager and

Commissioners to inform them of damage to the Cages, how they were delivered, and mishandled by Burke General Services during the election. Pictures of damage will be included. All approved.

Second primary for the 11th District Congressional race will be June 23rd.

Copy of the lawsuit from NAACP on Express Vote Machines was provided for board members.

Discussion was held on signing the resolution to permanently locate Lower Fork A and Burkemont polling places at their previously temporary designated locations. Linda Walker made a motion to approve the resolution as recommended by the Director and include the resolution in the minutes. All approved. After some discussion, Linda Walker asked the Director to look into possibilities and cost effectiveness of combining the precincts in the future. Change of regular meeting for June to the third Tuesday. Sandi Walker made a motion to change the meeting date to June 16, 2020. All approved. Director will make all proper notifications. Question from the board on the status of the sign for the BOE. Director will contact County Manager and get an answer. Director Mace provided an updated budget to be presented to Commissioners. FYI

Anthony Iovino made a motion to go into closed session to approve previous closed session minutes and discuss a personnel issue at 11:58 AM. All Approved.

Chairman LH Kirksey Called the regular meeting back to order at 1:05 PM.

With no further business for the board, Anthony Iovino made a motion to adjourn at 1:05 PM. All approved.

Submitted by Sandi Walker Secretary