

Cherokee County Voter Registration & Elections Canvass Meeting & Board Meeting

Minutes for meeting held November 4, 2021 @ 9am

The following board members were present: Richard Baines, James "Ed" Elliott, Carlton Bridges, Randy Horton, Lamar Batchelor, Jimmy Cash, and Jerry Bridges

**also in attendance were Amanda Walker (director) and Cassidy Nichols (deputy director)

**board members absent: Jason Blanton and vacancy

Agenda was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA.

Call to order: Richard Baines @ 9am; Richard opened in prayer.

Minutes:

Richard administered oath to all board members present; Ed administered oath to Richard.

There were no provisional ballots cast for neither the Spartanburg County School District 2 nor the City of Chesnee elections held on 11.2.2021.

Richard and Ed conducted a hand-count audit for the City of Chesnee Election which only included Morgans precinct; hand count audit matched election night results.

Lamar made a motion to certify Spartanburg County School District 2 race; Jerry seconded; all approved.

Ed made a motion to certify the City of Chesnee race; Jimmy seconded; all approved.

A mandatory recount was required of the City of Chesnee (town council) because of less than 1% difference in vote. Jimmy, Carlton, & Randy performed the mandatory recount of City of Chesnee (town council); all results remained the same.

Randy made a motion to certify Recount of City of Chesnee race; Lamar seconded; all approved.

Amanda made board aware that Morgans precinct has to be moved; no air, no heat, and poll-workers do not want to work at the present location (Cherokee Creek Fire Dept. Substation); Amanda is actively looking for a replacement location.

Goucher/Thicketty precinct will now be moving from Goucher Elementary School to Goucher Baptist Church. Gaffney Ward 1 precinct is having to move from Mary Bramlett Elementary

School (now closed) to possibly the Boys & Girls Club (dependent upon the sale of their current building); if all else fails, Gaffney Ward 1 precinct will be moved to the Cherokee County Administration building.

The two-year term limits for our officers of the board will be up in December. Richard opened up the floor for nominations of new chairperson; Jerry nominated Ed; Lamar seconded; all were in favor; Ed accepted position of chairperson. Richard opened up the floor for nominations for vice-chair; Jerry nominated Lamar; Jimmy seconded; all were in favor; Lamar accepted position of vice-chair. Richard opened up the floor for nomination of secretary; Ed nominated Carlton; Randy seconded; all were in favor; Carlton accepted position of secretary.

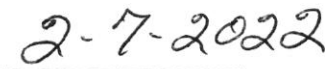
Amanda reminded board of December deadline for the continuing education classes.

Amanda passed out a schedule of all board meetings to be held in 2022. Amanda reminded the board December 2021 meeting was canceled and held today, due to an election. (see October minutes) Next scheduled meeting is January 10, 2022 at 9am.

Senator Peeler recently stopped by and informed Amanda redistricting is still in process. Senator Peeler is also aware of board member vacancy. Amanda informed board that there will be another City of Chesnee (town council) special election sometime in February or March 2022 because the person who just won their Mayor seat was sitting on the town council and term will need to be filled.

Ed made a motion to adjourn @ 10am; Jerry seconded; all were in favor.


Carlton Bridges, Secretary


Date

**minutes recorded by Cassidy Nichols (deputy director)