

CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS

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Minutes for Canvass & Board Meeting held August 16th, 2024

The following board members were present: James "Ed" Elliott, Lamar Batchelor, Jerry Bridges, Jimmy Cash, Carlton Bridges, and Ben Taylor.

*Absent was Jason Blanton & two vacancies

** also in attendance was Cassidy Nichols (interim director) & MaryBeth White (clerk)

Agenda was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA.

Call to Order: 9:01 am, Ben opened in prayer.

Minutes:

Cassidy administered oath to board members; all signed.

Two provisional ballots; both for City of Gaffney/School Board. King David Dawkins Jr.; ID expired; instructed on how to remedy this and Mr. Dawkins did not do by time of this meeting. A motion was made by Ben to NOT accept this ballot, seconded by Jerry; all in favor. The second provisional ballot was for Jarvis Jefferies Jr; DMV failed to send his updated information; Cassidy called DMV to verify. Lamar made a motion to accept this ballot, Jimmy seconded this; all in favor.

Ben Taylor, MaryBeth, Ed, and Abbie Reid performed the Hand Count audit. Gaffney Ward 1(BPW, Gaffney City Council 1, and Mayor), Blacksburg Ward 2 (Town Council #3), and the first day of Early vote (mayor): all totals matched.

At 9:06 am, Cassidy went to the election ware room to print the official results for City of Gaffney (22176), Town of Blacksburg (22177), Cherokee County School Board (22178), and BPW (22179) with Lamar as witness. She returned at 9:24 am, with copies for everyone. Lamar made a motion to certify the City of Gaffney Election, Jimmy second; all in favor. Ben made a motion to certify the Town of Blacksburg election, Jerry Seconded; all in favor. Jerry made a motion to certify the BPW election, Carlton seconded; all in favor. Jimmy made a motion to certify the Cherokee County School Board election, Lamar seconded; all in favor.

There will be a run-off for the City of Gaffney Mayor on August 27th, 2024. No re-counts.

At 9:32 am, Lamar made a motion to end the canvass meeting and begin the monthly board meeting, Jimmy seconded; all in favor.

Jason called by phone to attend the meeting.

Ben made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular scheduled board meeting on June 13th, 2024; Jimmy seconded; all in favor.

Election day went well. Discussion was made of candidate signs and rules to remove within 500 ft radius.

Cassidy reminded the board of the upcoming City of Gaffney Runoff Election (8/27/2024) and the Chesnee election (8/20/2024).

Stephen Fowler resigned; we now have 2 vacancies

Due to there being a canvass meeting for City of Chesnee on August 22nd and a canvass meeting on August 30th for the Mayor Run-Off, Lamar made a motion to cancel the September 9th board meeting, Jimmy seconded; all in favor.

At 9:43AM, Lamar made a motion to adjourn; Jimmy seconded: all in favor.

Carlton Bridges, Secretary

October 7th 2034

Date

*Minutes recorded by MaryBeth White