



SURRY COUNTY

BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Members Present: Dwayne Carter
Jerry Forestieri
Bill Hamlin
Don Isaacs
Drew Poindexter (virtual attendee)

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Michella Huff

Others Present: Martha Brintle

The Surry County Board of Elections met in the Surry County Board of Commissioners meeting room at 114 W. Atkins Street, Dobson, NC, on Tuesday, July 24, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

The board reviewed the minutes from the July 7, 2020 board meeting. After a motion and a second, the minutes were approved as presented.

The board discussed possible locations for the 2020 General Election OneStop Early Voting plan. The possible number of sites discussed were four. The sites were Mount Airy, Dobson, Pilot Mountain and Elkin. The Director presented information to use the Pilot Mountain Town Hall Basement/ Police Department for the Pilot OneStop site. The Armfield Center is closed and staff could not confirm use of the facility for 17 days with the uncertain circumstances. The Elkin Center of SCC will not be allowing anyone in the building without a face mask and a temperature check. For these reasons, this will not be available for use for OneStop early voting. The board asked the Director to look for other locations in the Elkin area. With no final vote taken the board will have a board meeting on Friday August 5, 2020 to decide the OneStop plan. Submission of the unanimous or non-unanimous plans are due to the State Board of Elections by August 7, 2020.

Executive Director, Karen Brinson Bell issued an Emergency Order on Friday July 17, 2020. The Director read highlights of the order. The board voted to open for 10 hours on Saturday October 17th and 22th, 2020 for the mandatory dates according to the emergency order.

The Director asked the board to consider incentive pay due to COVID-19 for poll workers for the General Election. The board asked the Director to survey the counties within District Three for their rates of pay and any increase due to COVID-19.

The board voted to temporarily transfer Bryan precinct to Mountain Park Baptist Church for the November 3, 2020 General Election. The resolution was presented and signed by all board members.

Adreann Belle joined the meeting via phone and inquired about MAT Team. She will speak with the Director later to discuss further.

In other business, the State Board of Elections State Conference will be held on August 3 – 4th, virtually. This will be at no cost to the County.

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 pm.

Chair

Secretary

Member

Member

Member