

Pulaski County Election Commission Meeting Minutes September 7, 2021 5:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Staff Present:

Kristi M. Stahr David G. Scott Susan Inman

Shawn Camp Betty Green Jodie Dildy Amanda Dickens Bart Moreland Darrell Lane

Visitors Present: Terri Hollingsworth, Pulaski County Circuit County Clerk; Marc Harrison, Circuit County Clerk's Office; Lisa Stahr; Pulaski County Voter

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairwoman Stahr. A quorum was present, with all commissioners in attendance.

The pledge of allegiance was led by Lisa Stahr.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the minutes for the August 30, 2021 meeting as written. Motion passed by voice vote.

Business

Certification of Ballot Styles for the November 2, 2021 Annual School Election Commissioner Inman moved to accept and certify the ballot styles for the November 2, 2021 Annual School Election. Motion passed by voice vote.

Certification of Ballot Styles for the November 9, 2021 Central Arkansas Library System Special Election Commissioner Inman moved to accept and certify the ballot styles for the November 9, 2021 Central Arkansas Library System Special Election. Motion passed by voice vote.

2022 Election Department Budget

The discussion of the 2022 Election Department Budget was tabled until the commissioners have a special request.

Other Business

Discuss COVID Measures

Commissioner Inman moved for poll workers to be required to wear a face mask unless there is a physical reason why the poll worker cannot. Motion passed by voice vote.

Approve Graphic and Promotion of Early Voting This discussion was tabled.

Approval of Supplement Election Officials for the September 14, 2021 Little Rock Special Election

Commissioner Scott moved to approve the supplement list of election officials for the September 14, 2021 Little Rock Special Election. Motion passed by voice vote.

Announcements

Acting Director Camp introduced the new Election Systems Analyst Darrell Lane.

Public Comments

Comments via YouTube:

Anna Morshedi: "Will you be able to early vote for both the November 2 and November 9 elections at the same time? Will there be any overlap with those two elections?" The answer provided by the commissioners was there will be no overlap, and yes there will be early voting for both elections.

Anna Morshedi: "If not, what are the dates for early voting for the November 9 election?" The answer provided by the commissioners is November 2-8. Early voting will end at the offsite locations on November 5, 2021 and November 8, 2021 for the downtown location.

Anna Morshedi: "How will you handle masking for voters in voting locations that have masks required? I'm thinking about early voting at libraries that have a mask mandate

in place for their facility." The answer provided by the commissioners is that voters are not required to wear a mask, but they are encouraged.

Roger Sparks: "The county judge can deny public access/comment to Election Committee meetings?" The answer provided by Chairwoman Stahr was no per the Attorney General.

Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

September 14, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. for the canvassing of ballots and the certification of unofficial election results for the September 14, 2021 Little Rock Special Election.

September 17, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. for the preliminary review of provisional ballots for the September 14, 2021 Little Rock Special Election.

September 24, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. for the provisional ballot hearing and the certification of election results for the Little Rock Special Election.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.