Madison County Board of Elections

Meeting Minutes – Regular Session (Teleconference)

January 20, 2021 at 3:00 P.M.

The Madison County Board of Elections held a teleconference meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. Joining the meeting: Jerry Wallin, Chair; Ray Lewis, Secretary; Dyatt Smathers, Member; Sandra Tolley, Member; Kathy Ray, Director; Jacob Ray, Deputy Director; and two members of the public.

Call to Order:

Chair Wallin called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Agenda:

Motion, Seconded (DS, RL) and Carried (4,0) to approve the agenda as presented.

Members' Reports:

Chair Wallin commented that COVID vaccination was underway. The process was quick and easy.

Minutes:

Motion, Seconded (RL, BB) and Carried (4,0) to approve the December 16, 2020 meeting minutes.

Director's Report:

The Director provided the most current January 2021 budget revenue and expenditure report. Discussion ensued regarding the upcoming 2021-2022 budget proposal, future in-person State Board conferences, and ADA election equipment. The Board requested additional time to consider the options of leasing the AutoMark Ballot Markers and purchasing the ExpressVote Universal Voting System.

The Director informed the Board that the county has received the $10,000 HAVA Subgrant funds from the State Comptroller. The county has received $27,500 in Cares Act / HAVA subgrant funds.

The Director reported that the county maintenance director has visited the Sandy Mush polling site at Addison Farms and is working with Owner Jeff Frisbee to repair the broken threshold at the doorway.

Other Matters:

The Board acknowledged the passing of former Madison County Board of Election poll worker and precinct judge Lockie Coates and former Board member Zeno Herbert Ponder, Jr. Both provided many years of dedicated and passionate election service.

Public Comments:

No comments submitted.

Adjournment:

Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (4,0) to adjourn at 3:35 p.m.

Kathy Ray, Director