

# Madison County Board of Elections

## Absentee Meeting Minutes

October 30, 2020

The Madison County Board of Elections met on Friday, October 30, 2020. In attendance: Jerry Wallin, Chair; Ray Lewis, Secretary; Dyatt Smathers, Member; Sandra Tolley, Member; Brian Ball, Member; Kathy Ray, Director; Jacob Ray, Deputy Director; and one member of the public.

### **Call to Order:**

Chair Wallin called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### **Minutes Approval:**

**Motion, Second (ST, DS) and Carried (5,0) to approve the October 27, 2020 absentee session meeting minutes.**

### **Members Reports:**

Member Smathers complimented the election team that has been put together.

### **Preparatory Steps to Count Ballots:**

The voting equipment was reconciled with the chain of custody.

### **Absentee Ballots' Approval:**

Civilian (CIV) Ballots

1. **Beech Glen Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 18 absentee ballots.**
2. **Ebbs Chapel Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 5 absentee ballots.**
3. **Grapevine Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 5 absentee ballots, 1 with cure letter.**
4. **Laurel Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 3 absentee ballots.**
5. **Mars Hill Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 26 absentee ballots, 2 with cure letters.**
6. **North Marshall Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 22 absentee ballots, 1 with cure letter.**
7. **Revere Rice Cove Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 4 absentee ballots.**
8. **Sandy Mush Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 8 absentee ballots, 1 with cure letter.**

9. South Marshall Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 2 absentee ballots.
10. Spring Creek Precinct: Moved, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 5 absentee ballots, 2 with cure letters.
11. Walnut Precinct: Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 9 absentee ballots.

Military (MIL) and Overseas (OVR) Ballots' Approval:

No MIL or OVR ballots to approve.

Ballot Duplication:

**Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to go into closed session to duplicate 1 CIV ballot.**

**Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to return to open session.**

One Stop Ballots' Approval:

**Motion, Seconded (DS, JW) and Carried (5,0) to approve 1,520 one stop absentee ballots.**

The duplicated ballot log was created and original ballots were sealed for storage.

The Board recorded the ending ballot count of <sup>1,415</sup>~~1,514~~ ballots and sealed the machine for storage.

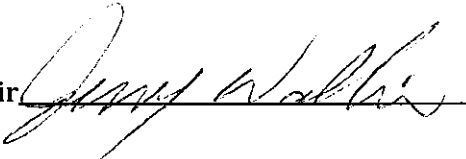
**Other Matters:**

The Director commented that near relatives of first cousin or closer cannot work together at a polling site. She also informed the Board that a Walnut Precinct Republican poll worker assistant is needed for both precinct and political party representation.

**Motion, Seconded (DS, RL) and Carried (5,0) to approve moving Ebbs Chapel Precinct poll worker assistant Pamela Frady (D-Ebbs Chapel) to Beech Glen Precinct and Beech Glen Precinct poll worker assistant Delta Walsh to Ebbs Chapel Precinct (UNA-Beech Glen) and approve Leigh Ann Thibodeau (R-Wal) as a poll worker assistant at the Walnut Precinct.**

**Adjournment:**

**Motion, Seconded (RL, JW) and Carried (5,0) to adjourn at 3:20 p.m.**

Chair 

Secretary 