



DURHAM COUNTY Board of Elections

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Minutes of Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 1, 2019 5:00 p.m.

Members present

Philip Lehman, Chairman
Luke Farley, Secretary (Participated by phone)
Dawn Baxton, Member
Michael Gray, Member
Pamela Oxendine, Member

Staff present

Derek Bowens, Elections Director
Brenda Baker, Deputy Director
Daniel Lassiter, Elections Manager
Alan Resley, Staff Assistant

County officials present: N/A

Audience members present: See attendance sheet

Meeting opening

Chairman Lehman called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Bowens presented the Board with the agenda for the meeting. Following review, Ms. Baxton moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Oxendine and passed unanimously, 5-0.

New Business

- a. Review of Absentee Ballots
 - After review of the absentee ballot applications, Ms. Oxendine moved to approve 2,220 applications and ballots per the recommendation of staff (Includes absentee-by-mail and absentee one-stop). The motion was seconded by Mr. Farley and passed unanimously, 5-0.

- Ms. Baxton moved to reject the absentee application and ballot of Larry Bagley due to his status, per information provided by the State Board of Elections and Department of Public Safety, as an active felon. The motion was seconded by Mr. Farley and passed, 5-0.

Mr. Bowens informed the Board that per statute, a letter would be sent by first-class mail to Mr. Bagley informing him of the Board's rejection of his absentee application and a pending hearing set for the date of canvass on his eligibility.

- Ms. Baxton made a motion for staff to duplicate non machine-readable ballots and scan all approved absentee ballots as preparatory steps prior to the count on Election Day. The motion was seconded by Ms. Oxendine and passed unanimously, 5-0.

b. 2019 Municipal Primary Chief Judge and Judge Substitutes

- Ms. Baxton made a motion to approve staff suggestions on Chief Judge and Judge substitutes for the 2019 Municipal Primary. The motion was seconded by Chairman Lehman and passed unanimously, 5-0.

General Discussion

- No Discussion

Adjournment

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:08 p.m. on a motion made by Ms. Baxton. The motion was seconded by Chairman Lehman and passed unanimously, 5-0.



Luke J. Farley, Sr., Secretary