

## **ELECTION BOARD**

**May 5, 2025**

**Present at the meeting were:**

Brenda Watson  
William G. Lyons  
R. Franklin Campbell  
Bill Bunt  
Sarah Geesaman  
Shannon Hines

**Present from the Public:** Brooke Holley, Dave Pundock, Faith Pundock

The Election Board met on Monday, May 5, 2025 at 11:03 a.m. The meeting was conducted in person in the Commissioners' Conference Room. The meeting was recorded by the County.

**Public Comments:** None

**Meeting Business:** Commissioner Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 21, 2025 meeting. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried.

Sarah Geesaman, Election Director, stated that mail in and absentee ballots went out in the mail beginning on April 21<sup>st</sup> and the bulk of them were out in two days. She commented that they continue to mail out ballots each day as they are processed.

Ms. Geesaman said that 1,843 mail in and absentee ballots have been sent out to date. She noted that twelve absentee ballots and one overseas ballot have been mailed out.

Sarah Geesaman commented that May 5<sup>th</sup> is the last day to register to vote or make changes to your voter record for the upcoming municipal election. She further stated that May 13<sup>th</sup> is the last day to register for a mail in or absentee ballot and said her office will be open until 5:00 p.m. that day.

Ms. Geesaman said there is one additional poll worker training session happening tomorrow for a poll worker that was unable to attend the other sessions.

Sarah Geesman stated that mock election #3 was happening this week in preparation for the upcoming election.

Commissioner Watson asked if the election day work schedule had been completed. Ms. Geesaman stated that she has been working on the plan and said she may still need traffic control helpers. She also said the number of constables is down and she is working that out currently.

Solicitor Bunt said Ms. Geesaman had confirmed from the Department of State that through Act 88, the County will be able to scan ballots during the day but not tally them prior to 8:00 p.m. The Board confirmed that they would like to start scanning ballots earlier in the day and then finish up later on election day.

Solicitor Bunt asked if Clear Ballot staff had been confirmed for election day and official count day. Ms. Geesaman confirmed that she has staff on both dates and discussed the plan for the Clear Ballot staff.

Solicitor Bunt said another decision was made last week indicating that ballots must be counted even if they are misdated or not dated. He further said these ballots will be counted separately in case a new decision comes out changing this decision. Sarah Geesaman stated that to date, there was only one ballot with a date issue.

Commissioner Campbell asked if all constable positions are filled within the County and Ms. Geesaman said they are not. The roving constables were discussed.

Chief Clerk Hines confirmed that the Election Board would be meeting each Monday through election day.

**Public Comment:** None

Commissioner Campbell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lyons seconded the motion. All agreed. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.