Anderson County Election Commission Minutes

November 21, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Chair Miller. In addition, to Miller, Commissioners Matheny, Gallaher and Stephenson were present with Commissioner Bradshaw attending by phone. Administrator Stephens, Chief Deputy Eby, Deputies Price, Rogers and Harness were also present. Attending from the public Lou Ann Cristy.

Stephens told the board that former Machine Technician Ralph McFarland had passed away the previous week. He also said that Machine Technician Danny Hatfield had retired.

An overview of the November election was given by Stephens. The election was successful although there were some challenges with a few machine problems. Stephens said that we had a record turnout with 70 percent voter turnout. There were a few issues with candidate supporters at the polls. However, there were not many issues with voters. Gallaher asked about a warranty for the machines and Stephens said there is a one year warranty and that some machines had been sent for repairs.

Stephens said that we needed to work on a way to minimize walk away voters. Some voters printed ballots from the Duo and didn't put it through the scanner. He said most voters he spoke with were happy with the new system.

There were some complaints about the Woodland voting precinct. There was remodeling in progress and the lighting turned off on a timer.

Stephens gave copies of the Audit results to the board. There was a zero variance between the scanner and the hand count.

Stephenson read the Official Results of the Election. Matheny made a motion to approve the results. Gallaher seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

There will be no meeting in December because of the holidays. The next meeting was set for January 16, 2025 at 5 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Stephenson with a second by Matheny. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

D. Jane Miller, Chair

Mary Matheny, Secretary

David Bradshaw, Commissioner

William 4. Gallaher, Commissioner

William "Bear" Stephenson, Commissioner