# **Madison County Board of Elections**

# Meeting Minutes - Monthly Meeting

## January 17, 2024

The Madison County Board of Elections held a regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday January 17, 2024 at Suite E, Room 16, 5707 US 25-70 Hwy, Marshall, 28753. In attendance: Jerry Wallin, Chair; Dyatt Smathers, Secretary; Brian Ball Member; Debbie Ponder, Member; Jacob Ray, Director; and one member of the public.

#### Call to Order:

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

### Agenda:

Motion (DS, BB) to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

### Minutes:

Motion (DP, DS) to approve December 13, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

#### Members' Report:

Member Ball recognized the passing of former poll worker Barbara Robinson and the work she did in the Grapevine community.

Secretary Smathers brought to the attention to the Board a local newspaper article that referenced the Buncombe County Board of Elections recent decision to approve a raise for the Buncombe County Board of Elections.

#### Director's Report:

- The director presented and reviewed the County Board of Elections Emergency Plan.
- The director reviewed the upcoming calendar events with the Board.

#### **New Business:**

- Motion (DS, JW) to approve the Resolution to count absentee ballots and establish the absentee board meeting schedule. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).
- Motion (DS, JW) to reschedule and combine February's monthly meeting with February 20 Absentee meeting.
  The motion passed unanimously (4-0).
- Motion (DS, JW) to approve Braden Ball as Beech Glen Chief Judge. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).
- Motion (DS, BB) to approve the Early Voting poll worker list as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).
- Motion (DS, JW) to approve the Election Day poll worker list as presented. The motion passed unanimously (4-0).

## **Public Comment:**

Cheryl Willaims spoke to the Board about the Buncombe County Board of Elections processes.

## Adjournment:

Motion (DS, JW) to adjourn at 3:56 p.m. The motion was passed unanimously (4-0).

## **Announcement:**

Next Absentee Meeting: January 30, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

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