

July 14, 2016

The Tazewell County Electoral Board met Thursday, April 21, 2016 at the Registrar's Office whereby the meeting was called to order at 2pm by Chair, Emma Hagy. In attendance were Beth Grindstaff, Vice Chair, Sherman Cain, Secretary and Director of Elections, Brian Earls.

Beth Grindstaff made the motion to approve the minutes from the June 2nd meeting; seconded by Sherman Cain. The motion carried unanimously.

Brian Earls updated the Board members on the Voter Registrar Association of Virginia August conference in Roanoke and that he and Deputy Registrar Alicia Kitts would be attending.

Comments concerning the recent annual training event in Richmond attended by Brian Earls, Alicia Kitts and Sherman Cain were very favorable. The training segments were informative and the attendees were able to smoothly navigate to the various classes.

Brian Earls informed the Board the registrar web site will have a page for the posting of the electoral board meeting minutes. The board agreed with Brian Earls' suggestion to have the site to include a profile of the Board members as well as contact information.

Brian Earls updated the Board on the on-line campaign financing available via COMET. He stated some still use paper filing and suggested a PDF file could be created to expedite research by the public. Emma Hagy made the motion to give Brian Earls the ok to do the PDF and post on the web site. Sherman Cain seconded with the comment that the candidates be encouraged to file electronically; motion carried unanimously.

The list of election worker chief and assistant chiefs was discussed and reviewed by the Board. No action was taken at this time.

Sherman Cain informed the Board the Southern District and Southwestern District of the Virginia Electoral Board Association would hold a combined district meeting Tuesday, September 13 in Bedford Virginia.

The Board suggested Brian Earls prepare a public service ad to inform voters in the Bishop precinct of the new voting location and secure signage for placement on Election Day.

Brian Earls updated the Board on continued repairs and upgrades to the voting precincts as suggested by the Board following inspections in April. Brian Earls stated the work is continuing at Jewell Ridge, Gap Store and Abbs Valley. The Board agreed to do a re-inspection on Sept 8th starting at 10am. The Board also agreed to send Maintenance Chief, Dwight Newberry a thank you note, with a copy to the County Administrator, for his response to the precincts needs.

The Board also agreed to inspect the Tip Top precinct which had a prior problem with the phone line connection and jack.

There being no further business, Sherman Cain made the motion to adjourn; Beth Grindstaff seconded; motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Secretary

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