

November 7, 2018

The Tazewell County Electoral Board met in the General Registrar's office Wednesday, November 7, 2018 for the purpose of conducting the canvass of votes obtained during the November 6th Federal Election.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Tom Brewster at 1:20pm. In attendance were Cathy McClanahan, Vice Chair, Sherman Cain, Secretary, Brian Earls, Director of Elections and Alicia Kitts, Deputy Registrar. No one was present in the public gallery.

Director Earls declared several provisional ballots submitted during the previous days voting were before the Board for consideration. Tom Brewster made the following motion: "I move that the Electoral Board of Tazewell County convene in closed session pursuant to Section 24.2-653(B) of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of considering whether each person who submitted a provisional vote at the election was qualified to do so, and I also move that the General Registrar and Deputy Registrar be allowed to remain in the room during the closed meeting, and that any persons who cast provisional votes and who are present be allowed to enter the room while their qualifications are considered and to present any relevant information on their behalf to the Board." The motion was seconded by Sherman Cain and unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed each individual provisional ballot envelope. Each provisional ballot the Board determined as qualified was opened and removed from the green identifying envelope, laying aside the secret ballot envelope. Three provisional ballots remained for voter photo identification which could not be considered at this time. Before opening any qualifying ballot envelopes the Board will await a proper document from those three voters. The deadline for receipt of documentation is prior to 12pm Friday, November 9, 2018.

Chairman Brewster moved that the provisional ballots meeting of the Electoral Board of Tazewell County stand adjourned until 1pm November 9, 2018. The motion seconded by Cathy McClanahan passed unanimously.

Chairman Brewster made the motion to reconvene the meeting in open session and read the provisional session ending certification, "I move that the Electoral Board of Tazewell County certify that in the closed session just concluded the only matters discussed were the qualifications of provisional voters, as directed by Section 24.2-653 of the Code of Virginia, and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act." The motion was seconded by Cathy McClanahan and unanimously carried.

The Board next took the opportunity to discuss E-day issues that came to light and Election Official reports submitted following the election. The Electoral Board was made

aware of machine cage door lock problems encountered at two precincts prior to morning startup. A close inspection of the errant locks was advised to determine if the fix is simple as well as another communication with the vendor.

Outdoor lighting vandalism at the UMW union Hall serving as the Amonate precinct remains a perennial problem and the new Mundy Town precinct needs some outdoor lighting installed.

The biggest problem encountered was parking and traffic flow at the new Paint Lick precinct, partly due to the lack of signage indicating a one way in and out and the narrower access road. However, the layout of the parking area and the size of the lot was a big factor. The assistance of two deputies from the Tazewell County Sheriff's office to guide drivers vastly eased the situation and was greatly appreciated. Sherman Cain advised the Board communications from district supervisor Tom Lester indicated all possible appropriate measures will be done to alleviate the congestion at this otherwise great facility. Post Commander Mike Hickman was spoken with whereby he has also agreed to cooperate as much as possible on any improvements.

There being no further business before the Board, Sherman Cain moved that the provisional ballot meeting of the Electoral Board of Tazewell County be recessed until 1pm Friday, November 9, 2018, seconded by Cathy McClanahan; unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50pm

Respectfully submitted:

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Secretary