

MINUTES
OF THE WAGONER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

November 3, 2020

The Wagoner County Election Board met in a regular meeting at 10:00 a.m., in the Wagoner County Election Board office at 208 N. Lee, Wagoner, OK. Advance notice of the meeting was performed by filing a written notice with the County Clerk on December 11, 2020 at 11:45 am. The time of the meeting was adjusted from 3:00 pm to 10:00 am on August 4, 2020 at 2:34 pm.

An agenda was posted at the County Election Board office on November 2, 2020 at 8:52 am. One copy each of the notices and agenda is attached. Linda Dyer the Assistant Secretary contacted the Chairman and Vice Chairman by phone regarding the meeting.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING:

1. The Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Mr. Robinson at 2:09 pm when a quorum was achieved.
2. Roll was called with the following responses: Mr. Robinson, present and Mr. Lafayette, present, Ms. Call present.
3. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Discuss and approve the minutes of the meeting held November 2, 2020. **ACTION TAKEN:** None.
4. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Process absentee ballots for the November 3, 2020 elections. This included opening the outer envelopes and examining the affidavits for sufficiency, removing affidavit envelopes, opening secrecy envelopes and counting the ballots. **ACTION TAKEN:** The Board members opened outer envelopes and examined the affidavits according to the requirements and procedures and approved ballots to be counted. Mr. Robinson made a motion to accept and count the approved absentee ballots. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye; Ms. Call – aye. Motion Passed, 3-0.

It is Noted:

The Board determined that 63 absentee ballots were deemed not sufficient:
42 Had no ID attached or Notary or two Witnesses
16 No affidavit envelope enclosed

- 2 No ballot enclosed
- 1 No name on affidavit
- 1 Nursing Home affidavit not signed by voter
- 1 No notary seal

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Robinson made a motion to reject these 63 ballots to be set aside and not be counted. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye; Ms. Call – aye. Motion Passed, 3-0.

In addition:

The Board determined 9 General Election ballots needed to be remarked due to, escan rejecting the ballots because they were mutilated or damaged. 76 ballots were received by fax/mail from Military/Overseas voters and **all** were counted. Substitute ballots were marked to replace these ballots as required by law.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Robinson made a motion to mark substitute ballots. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye; Ms. Call – aye. Motion Passed, 3-0.

The Chairman, Mr. Robinson read the voters choice and Vice Chairman, Mr. Lafayette marked the ballots per administrative guidelines. These substitute ballots were scanned and tabulated into the absentee tally.

The Board members then followed established procedures to prepare qualified ballots for counting. The Board members observed as Staff member Kayla Zehr scanned the ballots through the Escan voting device, the tabulation of election results and production of tabulation reports. The ballots were put in a transfer case and sealed and turned over to the custody of the Sheriff.

5. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Approve substitute Precinct Officials. **ACTION TAKEN:** A substitute precinct official list was submitted stating the following persons were employed in today's election. (See attached sheet) Ms. Call moved to approve the substitute Precinct Officials. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye; Ms. Call – aye. Motion Passed, 3-0.
6. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Recess Meeting if needed. **ACTION TAKEN:** None, meeting not recessed.
7. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Secretary's Report. **ACTION TAKEN:** None.
8. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** There was no new business. **ACTION TAKEN:** None
9. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Canvass returns for Federal and State races, Judicial Retentions and State Questions. Canvass results for Rolling Hills Fire Department and City of Tulsa Election. **ACTION TAKEN:** None. Board action not required.

Throughout the evening, Board members were present and observed the process and procedures involved in the receipt of voting devices, election supplies, and ballots from the Precinct Inspector; the tabulation of election results and production of tabulation reports and summary results reports; the transfer of sealed ballot transfer cases received from the Inspector was turned over to the custody of the Sheriff.

It was determined that the some of the early voting ballots were processed under “vote center” instead of “Inperson Absentee” the state election board requested we recount the early voting ballots and process them under “Inperson Absentee”.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Recount all Early Voting Ballots under “Inperson Absentee”.

ACTION TAKEN: None. Board action not required.

Board members were present and observed the process and procedures involving the Inperson Absentee recount the tabulation of Inperson Absentee ballots and turning these ballots over to the custody of the sheriff.

10. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Adjourn meeting. **ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Robinson moved to adjourn at 11:55 pm, until the next meeting. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye; Ms. Call – aye. Motion Passed, 3-0.

Wes Robinson, Chairman

Jerry Lafayette, Vice Chairman

Samantha Call, Secretary