

MINUTES
OF THE WAGONER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

September 14, 2021

The Wagoner County Election Board met in a special meeting at 6:15 p.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 July 15, 2021 at 2:23 pm. In addition, an agenda was posted at the County Election Board office on August 17, 2021 at 12:42 pm. 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 6:17 pm.
2. Roll was called with the following responses: Mr. Robinson, present and Mr. Lafayette, present.
3. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Discuss and approve the minutes of the meeting held June 11, 2021. **ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Robinson moved that the minutes of the meeting held June 11, 2021 be approved. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye. Motion Passed, 2-0.
4. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Process absentee ballots for the September 14, 2021 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. Motion Passed, 2-0.

In addition it is noted:

The Board determined that 5 ballots were deemed not sufficient:

- 4 Had no notary seal
- 1 Had no witness signatures

ACTION TAKEN: Ms. Robinson made a motion these 5 ballots be rejected and set aside and not be counted. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye. Motion Passed, 2-0.

The Board members then followed established procedures to prepare the ballots for counting. The Board members observed as staff member Anastasia Mahoney 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) Mr. Robinson moved to approve the substitute Precinct Officials. Mr. Lafayette seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Ms. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye. Motion Passed, 2-0.

It is noted that Jackie DuVall who was a clerk at Pct 730203 Wagoner Assembly of God worked from 7am – 8:30am then had to leave due to possible Covid-19 exposure. A substitute was not found but the Inspector said she and the Judge could handle the possible 31 registered voters.

6. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Canvass the September 14, 2021 bond issue returns for Inola School District No. 05, in which Rogers County is the parent county. **ACTION TAKEN:** None. Board action not required.
7. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Canvass the sales tax issue returns for the September 14, 2021 election for the City of Coweta a statutory municipality for which Wagoner County Election Board is the parent county. **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.

8. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Adjourn meeting. **ACTION TAKEN:** Ms. Lafayette moved to adjourn at 9:03 pm, until the next meeting. Mr. Robinson seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL:** Mr. Robinson – aye; Mr. Lafayette – aye. Motion Passed, 2-0.

Wes Robinson, Chairman

Jerry Lafayette, Vice Chairman

Samantha Call, Secretary