

**SUMNER COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION  
EMERGENCY SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES  
FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2024, 11:30 A.M.**

**Members present:** Chairman M. Allen Ehmling; Secretary Denise D. Shepherd; Commissioners J. Michael Fussell and Jeffery B. Hulse. **Members absent:** Commissioner Patricia D. Collins. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections (AOE) and Annette Haw, Assistant Administrator of Elections (AAOE).

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. by Chairman Ehmling with a motion by Commissioner Hulse, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd and the motion passed 4 – 0.

**II. APPROVE AGENDA**

Commissioner Fussell made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Hulse and the motion passed 4 – 0.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. POLICY REGARDING PRESS CREDENTIALS AND IDENTIFICATION TCA 2-7-103**

AOE presented three draft documents and recommended approval by the SCEC regarding “the press” per TCA 2-7-103. AOE collaborated with AOE’s from Williamson, Davidson and Wilson counties regarding policies and procedures for the press in those counties. AOE prepared a notification to press organizations, a press credentials approval letter and a visitor log, which will not only serve as use for the press, but any person in the precinct who is not a poll worker or voter.

Motion by Fussell to approve the documents as presented with the addition of “safety and security of our elections” to the press notification letter, seconded by Commissioner Hulse and the motion passed 4 – 0.

**B. INSPECTION OF APPEAL PROCESSED VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS**

None.

**V. REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATOR**

**A. OTHER**


AOE notified there was an insect and rodent issue at 1019 Union School Road, and that the County Mayor's office was arranging for treatment of the facility.

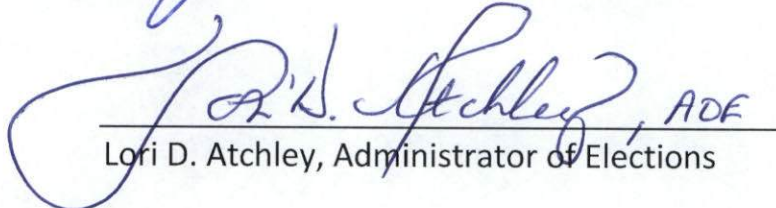
AOE advised that, through no official means, it is understood that the ad hoc committee had been formed for the resolution of the permanent location for the SCEC. Chairman Ehmling directed AOE to contact SCEC attorney Tom Lee to send a formal request to SCC Chairman Merrol Hyde and request the members names and, per court instruction, to be held in conjunction with the SCEC and the SCM Isbell and the public, be notified of the meeting date and time.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Hulsey, seconded by Commissioner Fussell to adjourn the meeting and the motion passed 4 – 0. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

  
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M. Allen Ehmling, Chairman

  
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Denise D. Shepherd, Secretary

  
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Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections

**ABBREVIATION LEGEND:**

SCEC: Sumner County Election Commission

SCC: Sumner County Commission

AOE: Administrator of Elections

SCM: Sumner County Mayor

AAOE: Assistant Administrator of Elections