

**SUMNER COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2024, 4:00 P.M.**

Members present: Acting Chairman J. Michael Fussell; Secretary Denise D. Shepherd; and Commissioner Patricia D. Collins. **Members Absent:** Chairman M. Allen Ehmling and Commissioner Jeffery B. Hulse. Also present: Lori D. Atchley, AOE and Annette Haw, AAOE.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Acting Chairman Fussell.

II. APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Collins made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd and the motion passed 3 – 0.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

IV. APPROVE MINUTES

Motion to approve the September 10, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Fussell and the motion passed 3-0.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. INSPECTION – APPEAL PROCESSED VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS

None

B. INSPECTION – NEWLY PROCESSED VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS

Commissioners inspected 55 voter registration applications out of 542 new registration applications with no discrepancies noted. Commissioners present signed the report to be submitted to the State Division of Elections.

C. REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATOR

- **APPROVE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE CITY OF GALLATIN SALES AND USE TAX REFERENDUM**

Motion to accept the candidate list as presented by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Collins and the motion passed 3 – 0.

- **FACILITY UPDATE**

AOE stated that the CC Ad Hoc committee had planned an inspection of the SCEC Auxiliary Building at 1019 Union School Road for September 17, 2024, at NOON. SCEC Attorney Tom Lee and Microvote Representative Bill Whitehead will be in attendance.

- **BUDGET**

AOE deferred to AAOE who stated that appropriation requests continued to be submitted for budget shortfalls.

- **OTHER**

AOE stated that the Sample Ballot presented represents all current candidates and a notation regarding the pending City of Gallatin Sales and Use Tax Referendum due to the statutory requirement that the County Commission has 40 days following the passage of the City of Gallatin ordinance to decide if they want to participate in the Sales and Use Tax Referendum to make it county wide. While AOE believes that the County Commission will not pursue the option, the option remains active until September 29, 2024. The next SCEC Special Call Meeting will be held on September 30, 2024, to finalize the ballot language and City of Gallatin Sales and Use Tax Referendum.

Motion by Commissioner Shepherd, seconded by Commissioner Collins to accept the AOE's Report, and the motion passed 3 – 0.

VI. REPORT FROM ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

A. CHAIRMAN

None.

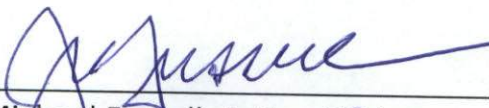
B. ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

Commission Collins stated that she had attended a League of Women Voters meeting; whereby, mention was made of the large influx of new residents at the Clarendale Licensed Facility, and Commissioner Collins inquired about contacting the facility director Mark Frazee to schedule a voter registration drive. AAOE stated that Election Deputy Gordon was and had been in contact with Mr. Frazee regarding registering new residents.

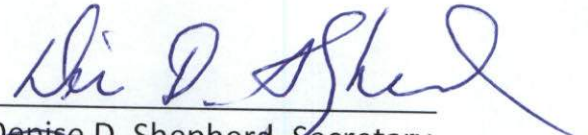
Furthermore, a Volunteer State Community College faculty member, Jessie McKinney (Honor Society Sponsor), contacted Commissioners Collins and Shepherd to schedule a voter registration drive on September 25, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd to adjourn the meeting and the motion passed 3 – 0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.



J. Michael Fussell, Acting Chairman



Denise D. Shepherd, Secretary



Lori D. Atchley, Administrator of Elections

ABBREVIATION LEGEND:

SCEC: Sumner County Election Commission
AOE: Administrator of Elections
AAOE: Assistant Administrator of Elections

SCC: Sumner County Commission
SCM: Sumner County Mayor