

## Columbus County Board of Elections

### Special Meeting

Tuesday, August 01, 2023

5:00 p.m.

#### **Agenda Item #1: Meeting Called to Order**

At 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 01, 2023, Jeffery Register, Chairman called the Columbus County Board of Elections meeting to order.

#### **Agenda Item #2: Roll Call**

##### **Board Members Present:**

Jeffery Register, Chairman

Lynn Fairfax, Member

Lynne Thompson, Secretary

Wanda Brooks, Member

Ashley Collins, Director

Frederick Meekins, Member

#### **Agenda Items #3 and #4: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

- Invocation – Mr. Register
- Recited – Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Agenda Item #5: Board Agenda Approval**

Board member, Mr. Fairfax made a motion to amend the agenda, Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

#### **Agenda Item #6: Public Comments**

No public comments.

#### **Agenda Item #7: Consideration of changing August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting to August 22<sup>nd</sup>- Selection of poll workers**

Director Ms. Collins asked the board if they could make a motion to change the board meeting from August 28<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the state mandate that poll workers have to be selected on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of August for their 2-year term as a chief judge or judge at the precincts. The motion was made by Mr. Meekins to change the meeting to August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Fairfax seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

#### **Agenda Item #8: Vote- One Stop Date**

Before the board reviewed the one stop schedule Mr. Register wanted to explain why the board was having to revote again.

It was due to the **first time voting**, Mr. Meekins was not officially on the board and the votes had to come from five board members.

The **second time** they voted, Mr. Register was under the impression that he would only vote as the chairman, this was to break a tie or to make a tie.

After speaking with Ms. Collins, Director and Mr. Parker Holland, Elections Administration Manager it was explained that chairman is permitted to vote on all issues brought before the board of elections per Adan Steele, Associate General Counsel for NC State Board of Elections.

Before a motion was set for the one stop plan, Mr. Fairfax made a motion to set aside the previous vote for the one stop plan to start a new motion for one stop plan. The board reviewed the three one stop plans presented by Ms. Collins. Mrs. Thompson made a motion to accept **Plan A**. Mr. Fairfax seconded the motion, Mr. Register, Mr. Meekins, and Mrs. Brooks concurred and the motion was passed.

#### **Agenda Item #8: Adjourn**

At 5:23 p.m., Mrs. Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fairfax seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

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