

The County of New Kent Electoral Board met on Monday, February 3, 2020, in the office of the General Registrar in New Kent. Chairman Moss called the meeting to order at 2:42 p.m. with all members and Registrar, Chief Assistant Registrar, and Assistant Registrar present.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Board's December 16, 2019, and December 30, 2019, meetings having been sent to the Board members for their review were approved and signed.

Larry L. Reynolds Aye

Charles E. Moss, Sr. Aye

George B. Winson Aye

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS OF ELECTIONS:

The precinct officer assignments for the March 3, 2020, election was reviewed. The list is attached here and is made a part of these minutes. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Winson and seconded by Secretary Reynolds to approve the names for the year. Precinct designation will be done later by staff. motion carried:

Larry L. Reynolds Aye

Charles E. Moss, Sr. Aye

George B. Winson Aye

DISCUSSION ON VOTING EQUIPMENT:

Chairman Moss reported that in the budget review meeting with the Board of Supervisors he reported that the M100 voting machines would need to be replaced prior to the November Presidential election because these machines were being decertified. There was a discussion about upgrading the software on the M100 machines to the current software revision. Registrar Bartlett called the Print Elect representative to inquire about the possibility of upgrading the M100 software. The M100 machines have a flash card and the current software version only works on a thumb drive so the M100 machines need to be replaced with the DS200 machines that accept the thumb drive.

Chairman Moss reported that Rodney Hathaway requested that purchase of DS200 machines be deferred until the State Board of Elections makes a final decision on which voting equipment must be purchased.

Registrar Bartlett reported that the poll books are being upgraded by the vendor and the staff with the current software version 2.3.67 and are then being tested after being upgraded and will be tested again after the poll books are downloaded to the thumb drive prior to march 3, 2020. That is an on-going process.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Moss moved to go into Closed Session to discuss guidance memos and checklist regarding HB 2178 compliance for 2020 and asked the Registrar, Chief Assistant Registrar, and Assistant Registrar to stay. Pursuant to Section 2.2-3711A.1 (personnel) Section 24.2-106(1) of the Code of Virginia. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Winson and seconded by Secretary Reynolds to go into closed session. The members were polled:

Larry L. Reynolds Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr. Aye
George B. Winson Aye

The motion carried. The Electoral Board went into closed session.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Winson and seconded by Secretary Reynolds to return to open session. The members were polled:

Larry L. Reynolds Aye
Charles E. Moss, Sr. Aye
George B. Winson Aye

The motion carried.

Chairman Moss made the following certification:

Whereas, the New Kent County Electoral Board has convened in a closed session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

Whereas, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Board that such closed session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law.

OTHER CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD:

Satellite No excuse absentee voting was discussed including the logistics of having the location outside the General Registrar’s office in the large conference room for the Health and Human Services Building suites.. Chairman Moss stated that the adjacent large meeting room would be made available for the 45-day No excuse absentee voting period and will be used for that purpose. This was a proposal made by the County Administrator at the meeting that Mr. Moss attended on January 29, 2020 at the Board of Supervisor’s work session. We would need something in writing because so many people in this building sign up to use that room. The County Administrator said he would suggest to the other departments in the building that they would have availability to the conference room and the Board of Supervisor’s meeting room for larger meeting during that time frame of 45 days prior to the November 3, 2020 Presidential Election.

ADJOURNMENT.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Winson and seconded by Secretary Reynolds to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. The members were polled:

- Larry L. Reynolds Aye
- Charles E. Moss, Sr. Aye
- George B. Winson Aye

Secretary

Chairman

February 4, 2020

Date Prepared

Vice-Chairman