SPENCER COUNTY ELECTION BOARD MEETING

Friday, May 13, 2022, 2:15 pm Commissioner's Room-Spencer County Courthouse

Meeting called to order by President Jeff Lindsey. Also present board members Gina Pennington, Clerk Darrell Stephens and Voter Registration Officer Sandy Wilkinson.

Minutes from May 13, 2022 meeting approved on motion from Gina Pennington and second by Darrell Stephens. Passed with 3-0 vote.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Election Recap</u>-The board reviewed the primary election and determined that most of the problems that surfaced are fixable with better communication and organization. Overall voter turnout was only 8 %. Much higher voter participation is expected in the general election. It was decided to create a list of items to review from the primary and then form a plan as to how to correct any issues on the list.

New Business

<u>Provisional Ballots</u>-The board reviewed 10 provisional ballots and all 10 were counted. Seven of the 10 provisional ballots were cast at the Santa Claus vote location. A misunderstanding in how to use the new encoder cards resulted in some early issues at the poll causing the use of the provisional ballots. The problem was fixed early in the morning. Voter Registration officer Sandy Wilkinson entered the provisional ballots into the official totals and new official totals were ran and certified by the board.

<u>Pre-16 Forms</u>-Stephens and Wilkinson discovered that the state prescribed PRE-16 form (Report of Total Number of Votes Cast on electronic voting systems in a precinct/Vote Center) had not been used and an in-house form had been substituted. The vote information was transferred to the proper form and the in-house form with official signatures was attached to the correct form. These records will be preserved with all other voting information from the primary for the duration of the retention period.

The next meeting date was set for Wednesday, June 14, 2022 at 10:00 am in the commissioner's room at the courthouse.

Pennington made motion to adjourn meeting, Stephens seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darrell L. Stephens, Secretary

Gina Pennington