

**CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING MINUTES
(Resumption of 11/19/19 Regular Meeting)
984-D Thompson St., Pittsboro, NC 27312
November 20, 2019 – 6:00 P.M.**

The Chatham County Board of Elections met at the Board of Elections office, 984-D Thompson Street, Pittsboro, NC 27312 on November 20, 2019 at 6:00pm for resumption of Regular Meeting held on 11/19/19 at 5:30pm. The following people were present, Chair, Laura Heise, Secretary, Charles Ramos, Member, Amy Meek, Member, Brian Bock, Member, Mark Barroso, and Deputy Director, Steve Simos.

Laura Heise, called the meeting to order (resumption of regular meeting from 11/19/19).

Laura Heise asks for citizens input and time was given for citizens to voice their opinions.

Deputy Director, Steve Simos, presented the Board with Early Voting Plans that were recommended by the BOE office for Board to discuss now that all members were present. Member Amy Meek made a motion to approve Early Voting Plans as recommended by the BOE office, Secretary Charles Ramos seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Deputy Director, Steve Simos, informed Board that the Chatham County Agricultural & Conference Center would be available for use of early voting for the March 2020 Primary and recommended it be used in lieu of the BOE. There were some concerns that the Chatham County Agricultural & Conference Center might not be available if there was another Primary held in May, however if that was the case the Board would have the option to vote again if needed to change the early voting location. Member Mark Barroso made the motion to relocate Early Voting to the Chatham County Agricultural & Conference Center in lieu of the BOE for the March 2020 Primary, Member Amy Meek seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Since the new CCCC Health Science Building will be available on Election Day and the BOE office is recommending no longer using schools as precincts for safety reasons; the BOE would like to move Manns Chapel Precinct (MCH110) from the Perry Harrison School-Gymnasium to the CCCC Health Science Building for Election Day voting. Member Amy Meek made the motion to approve the move, Secretary Charles Ramos seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion on possible moves or combining of precincts in Chatham County was tabled for another meeting in the future.

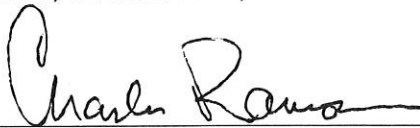
Deputy Director, Steve Simos, requested a vote by the Board to approve purchase of the Hart Intercivic voting equipment to be submitted to the County Commissioners for the December agenda. The NC State Board of Elections approved the purchase of the Hart Intercivic voting

equipment to be used in Chatham County. Member, Brian Bock made the motion to approve purchase of the Hart Intercivic voting equipment, Member Amy Meek seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

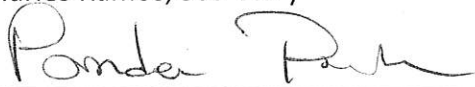
Secretary, Charles Ramos proposed having a moment of silence, and saying the Pledge of Allegiance prior to all public Board of Elections meetings. This is done at public Board of Commissioners meetings, Board of Education meetings, Planning Board meetings, etc. The Board discussed the matter and a motion was made on having a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance before the beginning of each meeting. Member, Brian Bock made the motion, Secretary, Charles Ramos seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-2.

In other business Secretary, Charles Ramos requested having the American flag and the North Carolina flag in Board Meetings. The BOE staff will inquire about obtaining flags for the office.

Secretary, Charles Ramos motions meeting to close, Member, Amy Meek seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Laura Heise adjourns meeting. The next regular scheduled meeting will be held on, December 17, 2019 at 5:30 pm.



Charles Ramos, Secretary



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