## CHATHAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS ABSENTEE MEETING

Chatham County Board of Elections Office 984 Thompson Street, Suite F Pittsboro, NC 27312 Live Streamed by TaJTalk.com October 6, 2020 - 5:00 P.M.

The Chatham County Board of Elections met at the Chatham County Board of Elections office at 984 Thompson Street Suite F, Pittsboro, NC 27312 on October 6, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. via live stream video provided by TaJTalk to conduct the business of counting absentee ballots for the November 3, 2020 election. Citizens were given the opportunity to listen only. Prior to the meeting citizens were instructed to email the Director of Elections with comments or concerns to be addressed attallater date.

The following people were present: chair Laura Heise, Secretary Charles Ramos, Member Amy Meek, Member Frank Dunphy II, Member Mark Barroso, Director Pandora Paschal, Deputy Director Steve Simos, temporary employee Peter Zelechoski, and videographer Aaron Hall.

### Call to Order

Chair Laura Heise called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Chair Laura Heise asked if anyone had anything to add to the agenda. There were no changes or additions.

Secretary Charles Ramos led the group in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

#### Summary of Discrepancies from the September 29, 2020 meeting

Deputy Director Steve Simos gave a brief summary of discrepancy findings from the meeting held on September 29, 2020 (see attached explanation).

# Update Resolution for Counting Absentee ballots on Election Day at 2:00 p.m.

The board updated the Resolution to Count Absentee Ballots on Election Day at 2:00 pm by adding the Supplemental Absentee Meeting to be held on November 12, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. Secretary Charles Ramos made the motion. Member Amy Meek seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

#### **Approve Absentee Ballots**

The board members in attendance signed the tapes and examined the ballot box before approving ballots for this meeting.

Beginning count machine #1 – 1147

Beginning count machine #2 – 1408

Beginning count machine #3 – 1730

The board reviewed the civilian absentee envelopes to ensure that required signatures for the voter, the witness and the person assisting if needed were provided before approval.

There were 1,397 civilian ballots for approval for this meeting. Secretary Charles Ramos made the motion to approve the 1, 397 civilian ballots. Member Amy Meek seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

There were four cure pending ballots for this meeting. Member Frank Dunphy II made the motion to notify the voters to cure deficiency. Member Amy meek seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

There were 2 military ballots for approval for this meeting. Member Amy Meek made the motion to approve the 2 military ballots. Member Mark Barroso seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

There were 4 overseas ballots for approval for this meeting. Member Amy Meek made the motion. Member Mark Barroso seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

After all ballots were fed into the tabulator and the board reviewed the transcribed military and overseas ballots, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Ending count on machine #1 - 1636

Ending count on machine #2 - 1826

Ending count on machine #3 – 2226

Charles Ramos, Secretary

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Pandora Paschal, Attest