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Minutes for 11/03/2021 Alleghany County Electoral Board Meeting

Attending: John Barnes, Kim Hunter Lewis, Tiney Rose and Andrew Dreszer

Provisional Ballot Meeting

John Barnes opened the meeting at 12:00 PM. Two provisional ballots were cast at 0101-Arritt – Boiling Springs Fire House. Registrar Tiney Rose was able to confirm that the individuals casting these provisional ballots were registered to vote in Petersburg, VA and thus <u>not eligible</u> to vote in Alleghany County's Boiling Springs precinct. Both provisional ballots were left in their envelopes unopened.

Having no other provisional ballots to review the Provisional Ballot Meeting ended at 12:11 PM.

Canvass

The Canvass to review and confirm the results of the November 2, 2021, election began at 12:12 PM. The results from each of the precincts were verified. During the canvass it was discovered while checking against the final results tape from the DS 200 that one of the handwritten election results numbers from 0302-Griffith – FS Presbyterian Church had been incorrectly recorded. The appropriate correction was made in consultation with the Registrar. VERIS was updated and required items submitted to ELECT.

After completion of the review and verification of all results from the precincts the Canvass was suspended to resume Friday, November 5, 2021, at 12:30 PM when the board will meet to hold its final Post-Election Provisional Meeting and Post-Election Canvass.

Minutes for Electoral Board Meeting held October 14, 2021, were approved.

Clifton Forge Armory

While the entrance light and the lights on the outside front of the armory building were in working order for the election, there were issues with heat on the day of the election and the bathrooms remain unusable. This was the third election in which the conditions at the armory were suboptimal. Given that there is no certain completion date for the repairs at the armory and given that Central United Methodist Church welcomes the possibility of hosting a polling location and the church meets the requirements for a polling place, the members of the Alleghany County Electoral Board have unanimously decided to proceed with the relocation of the polling location for 0701-Clifton Forge West from the Clifton Forge Armory to Central United Methodist Church at the corner of Main Street and

Commercial Avenue. The Registrar has been instructed to notify the Town of Clifton Forge and initiate the process for the relocation in keeping with the provisions outlined in **Chapter 3 Precincts and Polling Places of the Virginia Department of Elections Handbook** dated July 2021.

New Election Officials

Rebecca Ball, Paul Beall, James Ruff, and Lauren Vicey were approved as election officials. As some polling precincts were short staffed these individuals were reviewed and cleared by the Registrar, given their oath of office, and allowed to work the November 2nd election held yesterday. Each new official was placed with an experienced team at the Iron Gate, Peters Switch, Clifton Forge East, and Clifton Forge West precincts. The board welcomes these individuals and thanks them for their participation.

Other Items and Adjournment

There being no further business the Alleghany County Electoral Board adjourned at 2:00 PM and then transferred the ballots and statements of results for the November 2, 2021, election to the Alleghany County Courthouse for safe keeping.

Andrew E. Dreszer - Secretary