

## February 9, 2021

The Cumberland County Board of Elections met at the Board of Elections Office at 1:00PM for their regular monthly meeting.

<b>Present:</b>	Floyd Johnson, Chairman Irene Grimes, Member Helen Nelson, Member	Linda Devore, Secretary Bobby Swilley, Member Terri Robertson, Director
<b>Staff:</b>	Angie Amaro	
<b>Guests:</b>	Peter Apone	

Chairman Floyd Johnson called the meeting to Order at 1:00PM, and presented the Agenda.

**ACTION:** Member Grimes moved to accept the agenda as presented.  
Seconded and approved unanimously.

Director Robertson announced there are no members of the public signed up for comments.

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore presented minutes of the November 23 and December 7, 2020 Recount meetings for approval.  
Approved unanimously.

Director Robertson reported that two precinct locations may need to be adjusted prior to the next election. Temple Baptist (Eastover-02) has sent a letter advising that their property will no longer be available. The Long Hill polling site is not within the precinct, and no longer compliant. Howard Hall Elementary may be an option for Long Hill.

The Bi-Annual List Maintenance is nearly complete. 21,252 voters, who have not voted in the past two federal elections, have been sent no-contact notices. Those voters have another 3 days remaining to respond before being moved to Inactive status. 31,061 previously Inactive voters were removed after not voting in an additional two federal elections. There are currently 198,058 voters registered in Cumberland County. Any Inactive or Removed voter who presents to vote in a future election will be allowed to vote if they attest that they have resided continuously in Cumberland County.

Director Robertson reported that she will be meeting in March with county management to discuss our budget 2021-22 budget request. This budget request will include money for PPE, which money may no longer be available through federal funding and grants. CARES Act money has been expended. A copy of the budget request will be emailed to Board Members as soon as it is ready.

We have received an additional \$233,000 in HAVA grant money in the current fiscal year to improve and prepare for federal elections next year, election administration, and training.

Member Grimes inquired about bonuses for staff during the past election.

Director Robertson explained that all county employees were treated the same. Additional compensation from the CARES Act allowed employees to be paid while the offices were shut down, and paid overtime when they were required to come into work. This was a way of providing additional compensation to all county employees equally.

Member Grimes expressed her appreciation for how effectively the staff and employees handled the election.

Director Robertson confirmed that the precinct workers and temporary workers received bonus pay from the State BOE through CARES Act funding, which was consistent across the state.

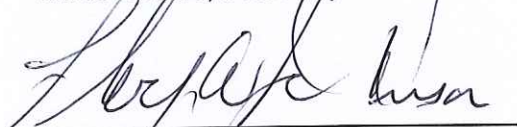
**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:23PM.

**Next scheduled meeting: Tuesday, March 9, 2021**

Submitted by,



Linda Devore, Secretary



Chairman



Member



Director



Member



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