

## October 13, 2020

The Cumberland County Board of Elections met at the Board of Elections Office for a 9:00AM combined Absentee and Regular Monthly Meeting.

**Present:** Floyd Johnson, Chairman  
Irene Grimes, Member  
Terri Robertson, Director  
Helen Nelson, Member

Linda Devore, Secretary  
Bobby Swilley, Member

**Guests:** County Attorney Rick Moorfield [left meeting early]. Live-feed available for members of the public.

Chairman Floyd Johnson called the meeting to Order at 9:00AM, and presented the Agenda.

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore moved to add an item for Approval of Minutes to the Agenda. Seconded and passed unanimously.

**ACTION:** Member Grimes moved to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded and approved unanimously.

Secretary Devore presented minutes of the September 28, 29, Oct 1, 6, and 8 meetings for approval.

**ACTION:** Member Swilley moved to approve the minutes of the September 28, 29, October 1, 6, and 8 meetings. Seconded and approved unanimously.

Director Robertson reported that we have 1359 Civilian Absentee Ballots that have been reviewed by staff and recommended for approval.

Board Members randomly selected 10 Absentee Ballot envelopes to spot check to confirm the voter and witness signatures and witness information.

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore moved that we authorize staff to open the 1359 Civilian Absentee Ballot envelopes presented for approval, and proceed with any needed duplication of ballots. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Director Robertson confirmed that the ballot tabulator currently shows 10,543\* votes.

Staff and assistants began opening ballot return envelopes, and placing them in the tabulator. Board Members duplicated military and overseas ballots, and those damaged or unreadable by the tabulator.

All 1359 Civilian Absentee Ballots recommended for approval were opened, no irregularities were found, and ballots were fed into the tabulator.

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore moved to approve 1359 Civilian Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.  
Seconded and passed unanimously. 5-0

Director Robertson reported that we have 112 Military Absentee Ballots duplicated with no irregularities, and recommended for approval.

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore moved to approve 112 Military Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.  
Seconded and passed unanimously. 5-0

Director Robertson reported that we have received 35 Overseas Absentee Ballots for duplication. One of the ballots received by email was discovered to be printed with two front sides. The voter will be contacted. The remaining 34 Overseas Absentee Ballots without irregularities are recommended for approval

**ACTION:** Secretary Devore moved to approve 34 Overseas Absentee Ballots recommended by staff without irregularities.  
Seconded and passed unanimously. 5-0

Total ballots approved today: 1505

Tabulator total: 12,048\* ballots. [One Oct 8 ballot will be adjusted out on Election Day]

Cumulative Total Absentee Ballots Approved: 12,047

**Next Meeting: Friday, October 16 at 9:00AM at the Board of Elections office.**

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:31PM.

Submitted by,

  
Linda Devore, Secretary

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Chairman

*Helen L. Nelson*  
Member

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Director

*Bobby J. Swilley*  
Member

*James C. Givens*  
Member