Electoral Board
Isle of Wight County Virginia
05 April 2023

The Electoral Board of Isle of Wight County held its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, 05 April 2023 at the General Registrar's Office at IOW Courthouse. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM. Members present were Inetha Holmes (Chairman), Rod Hallum (Vice Chairman), Geoffrey McFather (Secretary), and Lisa Betterton (Director of Elections (DE)/General Registrar (GR)).

The minutes of the 01 March 2023 Electoral Board Meeting were read. Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously approved to accept the minutes as written. Once signed by the Electoral Board Members, the minutes were delivered to the DE for filing.

Secretary's Report.

1. The Secretary provided a high-level review of topics covered during the recently-concluded Annual Virginia Electoral Board Association (VEBA) Meeting at Roanoke, VA. An important review of the new President, VP, Treasurer and Secretary elections was a significant focus of the Board's discussion.
2. Discussion regarding Inetha Holmes and Rod Hallum attending the July 20th Bootcamp was covered.
3. FOIA Requestor, Rick Holmes, was offered a date to come to the Registrar's Office to review the documentation he requested. Mr. Holmes advised the GR that he would get back with her at a later date when he might decide to move forward with his request.
4. Discussed upcoming primaries in the Senate 17th, and both the House 83rd and House 84th, including how the EB might encourage the Smithfield Times to publish precinct maps and encourage the Party Chairs to get the word out to their members.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the Secretary's Report as delivered.

General Registrar's Report.

1. GR reported that at the present, we have four (4) qualified candidates for the upcoming election: James Clark (for Sheriff); Laura Smith (Clerk of Court); Renee Rountree (1st District Supervisor); Gerald Gwaltney (Commissioner of Revenue). In progress is Mark Wooster (2nd District School Board). Deadline for filing is June 20th and we anticipate a number of other candidates.
2. GR reported that the Registrar Regional Director advised that Robert Mooney (Department of Homeland Security) will come to our IOW County Registrar's Office and perform a Physical Security Assessment of our current security situation and offer recommendations for enhancing physical security. Appointment set for April

19th at 10 a.m. The County Administrator (Randy Keaton) and Tony Wilson will both be attending.

3. GR reiterated that the VEBA Meeting will be July 20th and that EB Members should plan on attending as well. GR will validate the dates and make hotel reservations at a Midlothian Hotel near the DoubleTree if DoubleTree rooms are no longer available.
4. Officer of Election Training will again be at the IOW Ruritan Building, but on June 6th, 7th and 8th due to facility availability. Sessions will be 9a-11a, 1p-3p & 4p-6p.
5. Michael Vines has failed to pay his assessed fines for failing to file his Candidate Financial Reporting. Accordingly, the Commonwealth's Attorney is taking him to Court on April 21st.

Motion was made, seconded and a unanimous vote rendered to accept the General Registrar's Report as delivered.

New Business.

1. No New Business was discussed.

Old Business.

1. LES was due April 1st. EB will need to generate a Remediation Plan defining our multi-year plan bring the IOW County Registrar into compliance.

Good of the Order.

None was offered or discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:22 PM

Inetha Holmes, Chairman

Rod Hallum, Vice-Chairman

Geoffrey McFather, Secretary