

Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson, Peggy Wills, called the January 8th, 2020 meeting to order at 9:02 A.M.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, Ernie Morse, and Raymond Phillips

Staff Present:

Jayson Phillips, County Attorney

Deidre Holden
Lacy Dunn
Sherri Hamilton
Jessica Lord

Special Guest:

None

INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

The invocation and pledge was led by *Jayson Phillips*

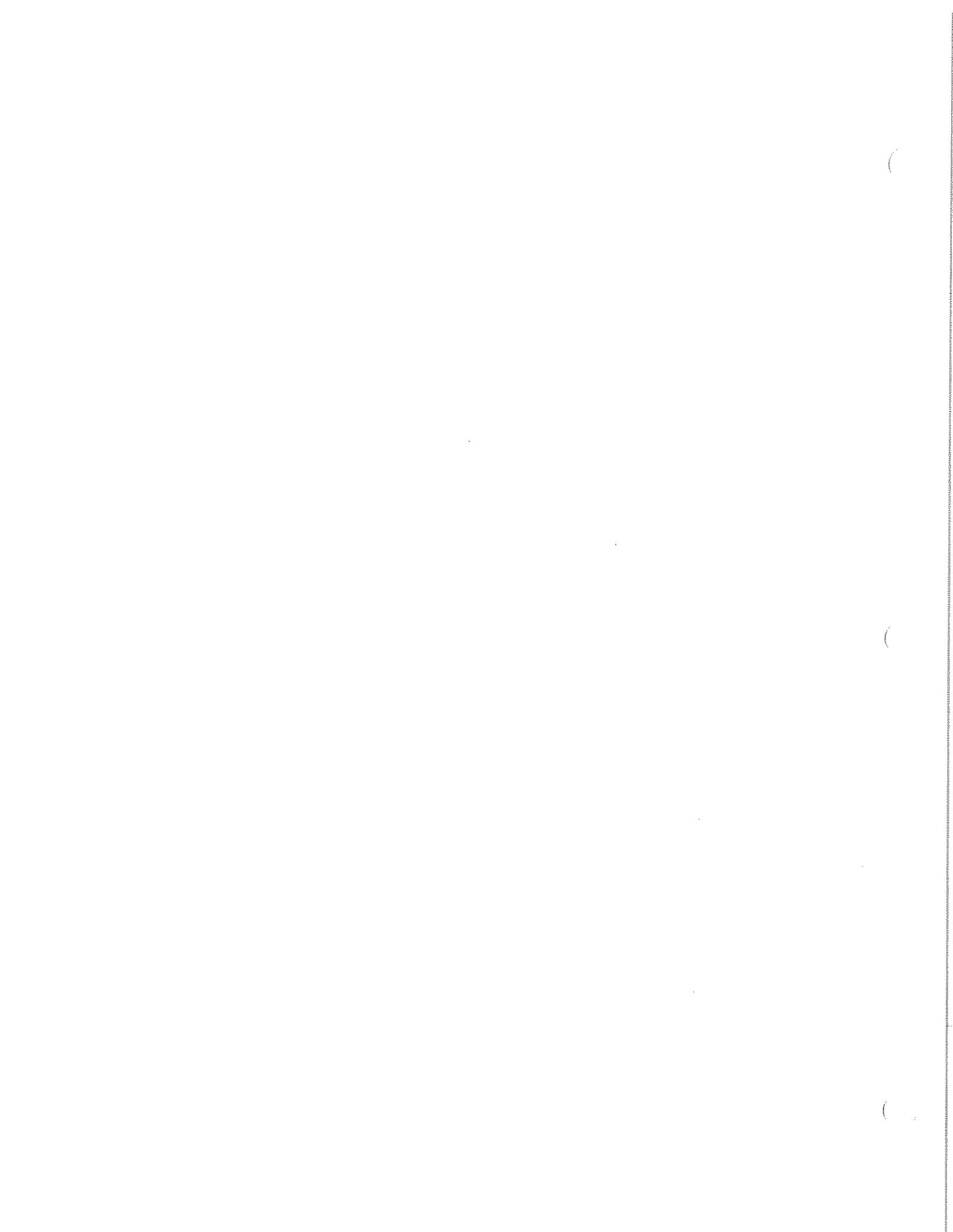
Approval of minutes: December 13th, 2019

Motion: Bill McFadden
Second: Bobbie Lee

Unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None



Supervisor's Report:

1. 116,115 registered voters as of 1/8/2020. Increase of 1,892 since December 18th, 2019.
2. 147 DDS to process, 0 OLVR, 136 Pending Voters, 134 Challenged Electors.
3. 2020 Calendar
4. Precinct Change update-Close The Church at the Ridge due to no parking, add Taylor Farm Meeting Room and Dobbins Middle School
5. Voting Equipment update-Space issues
6. Qualifying Information-Packets will be available by February 1st, 2020.
7. Public Outreach events-Ideas

Public Hearing:

- Voter Registration applications for rejection and non-compliance.

List from Sherri Hamilton (missing information)

Motion: Raymond Phillips
Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote.

- Brandy Faith (signature on voter registration card does not match) bound over to State Investigations Office.

Motion: Raymond Phillips
Second: Bill McFadden

Unanimous vote.

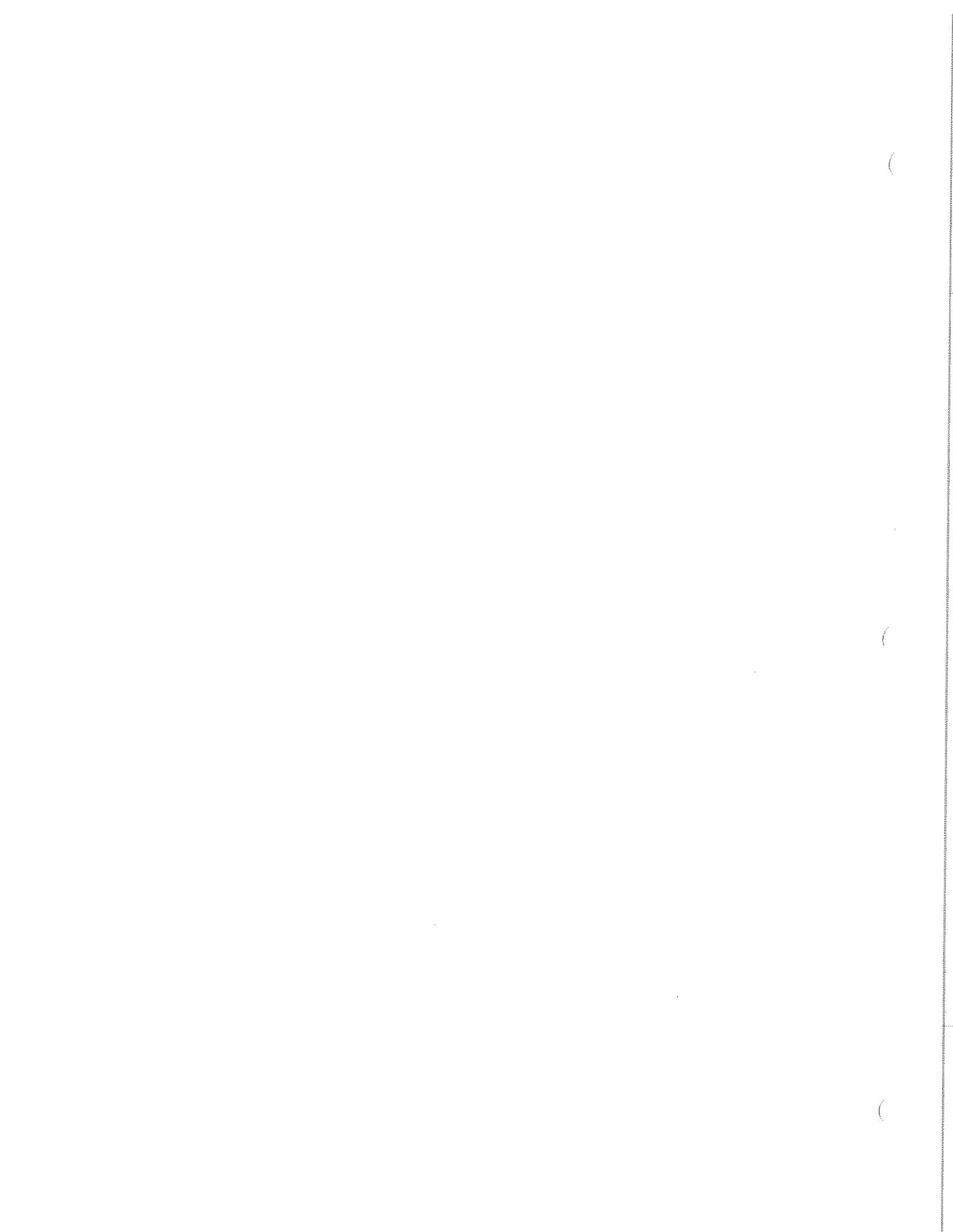
- Voters removed from Electors List due to letter notifications and responses. (List) Deidre Holden

Motion: Bill McFadden
Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote.

- Felons to be cancelled from Election Net System.

NONE



CLOSED SESSION:

None

Discussion Items:

Deidre Holden

Cyber Attacks- MI-ISAC
Homeland Security
Active Shooter

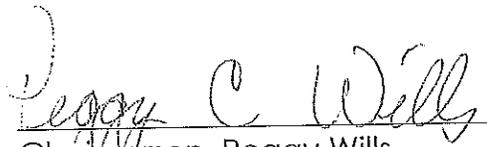
Deidre has discussed with the office about the importance of all these items. We also have discussed an escape plan for if anything were to happen.

ADJOURNMENT:

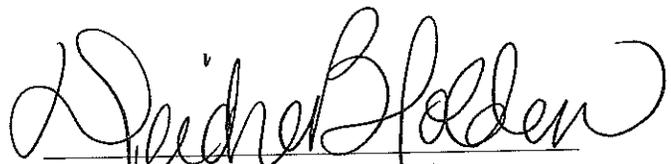
Motion to approve: Bill McFadden
Second: Bobbie Lee
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lacy Dunn.



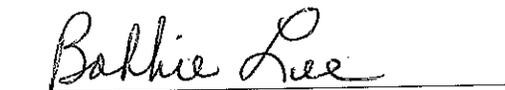
Chairperson, Peggy Wills



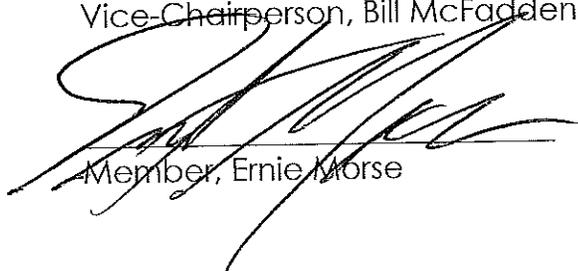
Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden



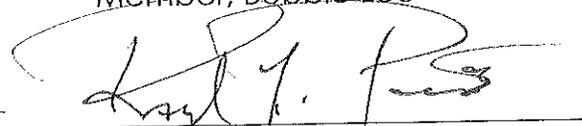
Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden



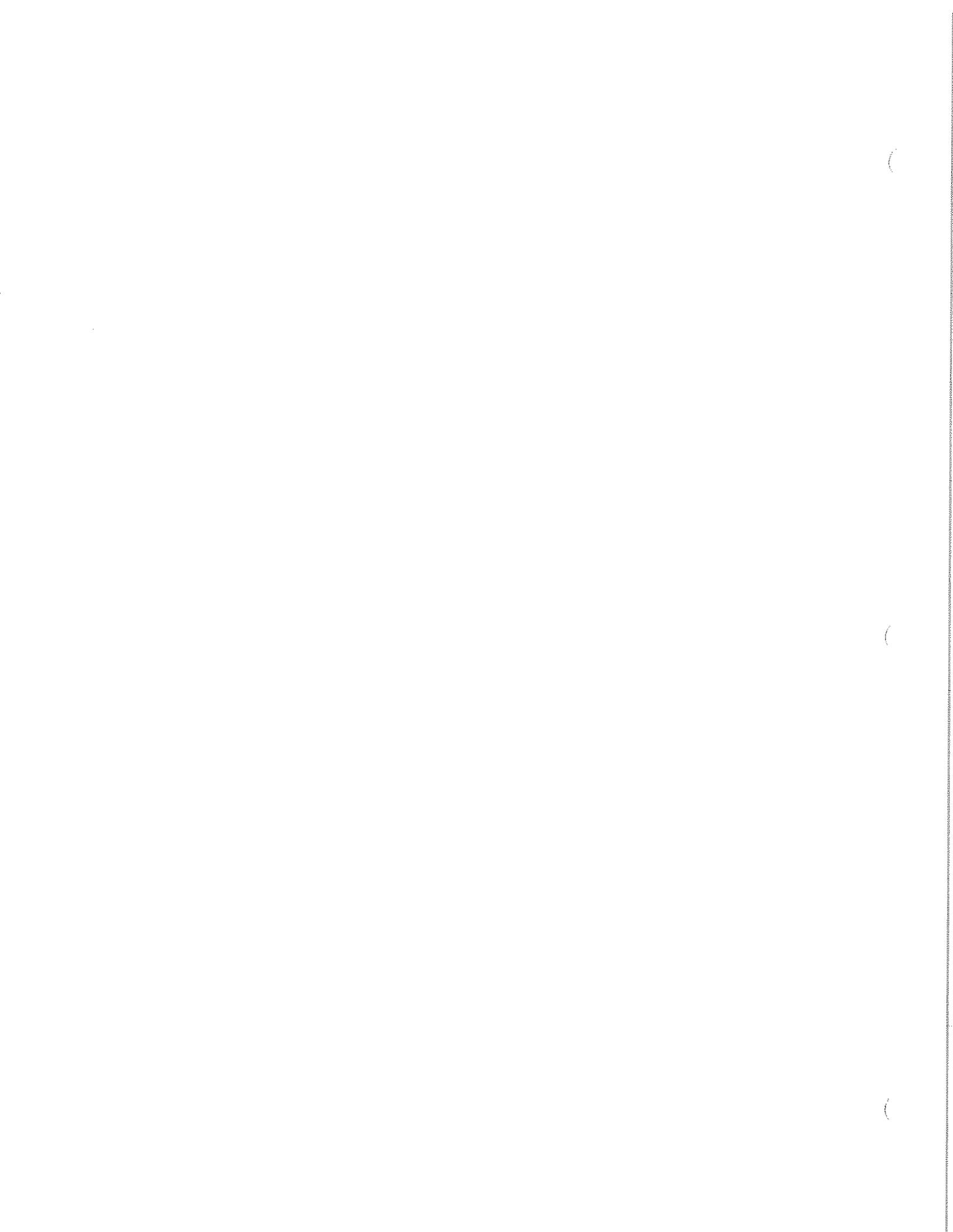
Member, Bobbie Lee



Member, Ernie Morse



Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration SPECIAL CALLED Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson, Peggy Wills, called the JANUARY 23RD, 2020 meeting to order at 8:04 A.M.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, Ernie Morse, and Raymond Phillips

Staff Present:

Jayson Phillips, County Attorney

Deidre Holden
Lacy Dunn
Sherri Hamilton
Jessica Lord

Special Guest:

None

INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

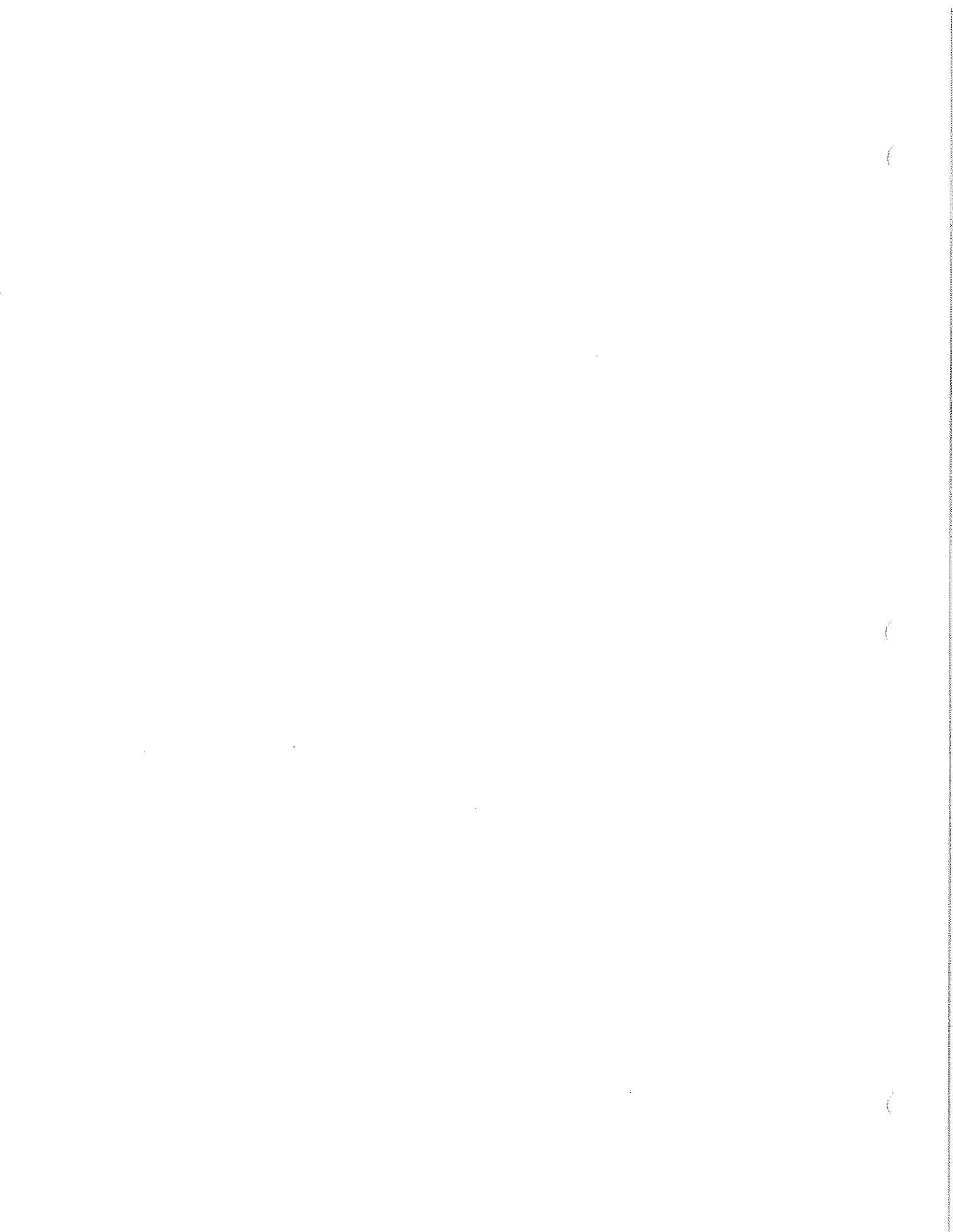
The invocation and pledge was led by Peggy Wills

New Business:

1. Proposed Precinct Changes

No written complaints or concerns from the public have been received by the Paulding County Elections Office.

Motion to approve the precinct and polling location changes as previously discussed.



Motion: Raymond Phillips
Second: Bobbie Lee

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION:

None

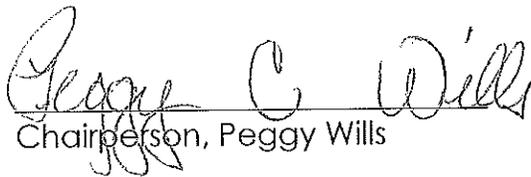
ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to approve: Bill McFadden
Second: Bobbie Lee

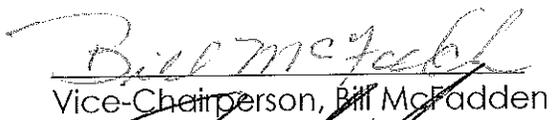
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 A.M.

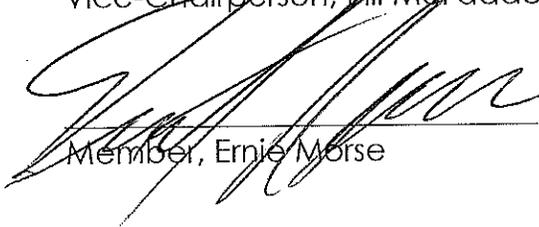
Minutes respectfully submitted by Lacy Dunn.


Chairperson, Peggy Wills

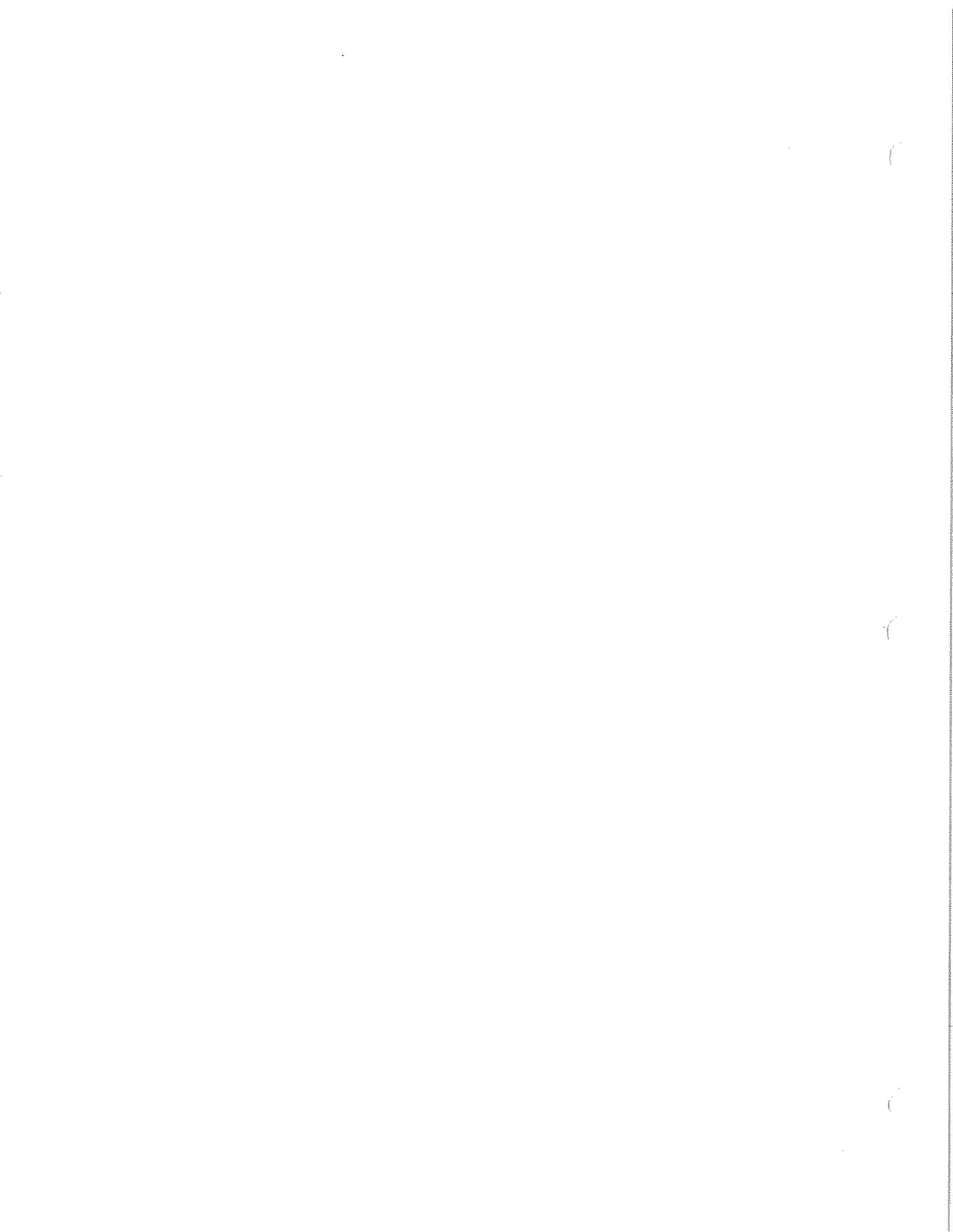

Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden


Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden


Member, Bobbie Lee


Member, Ernie Morse


Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson, Peggy Wills, called the February 12th, 2020 meeting to order at 9:01 A.M.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, Ernie Morse, and Raymond Phillips

Staff Present:

Jayson Phillips, County Attorney

Deidre Holden
Lacy Dunn
Sherri Hamilton
Jessica Lord

Special Guest:

None

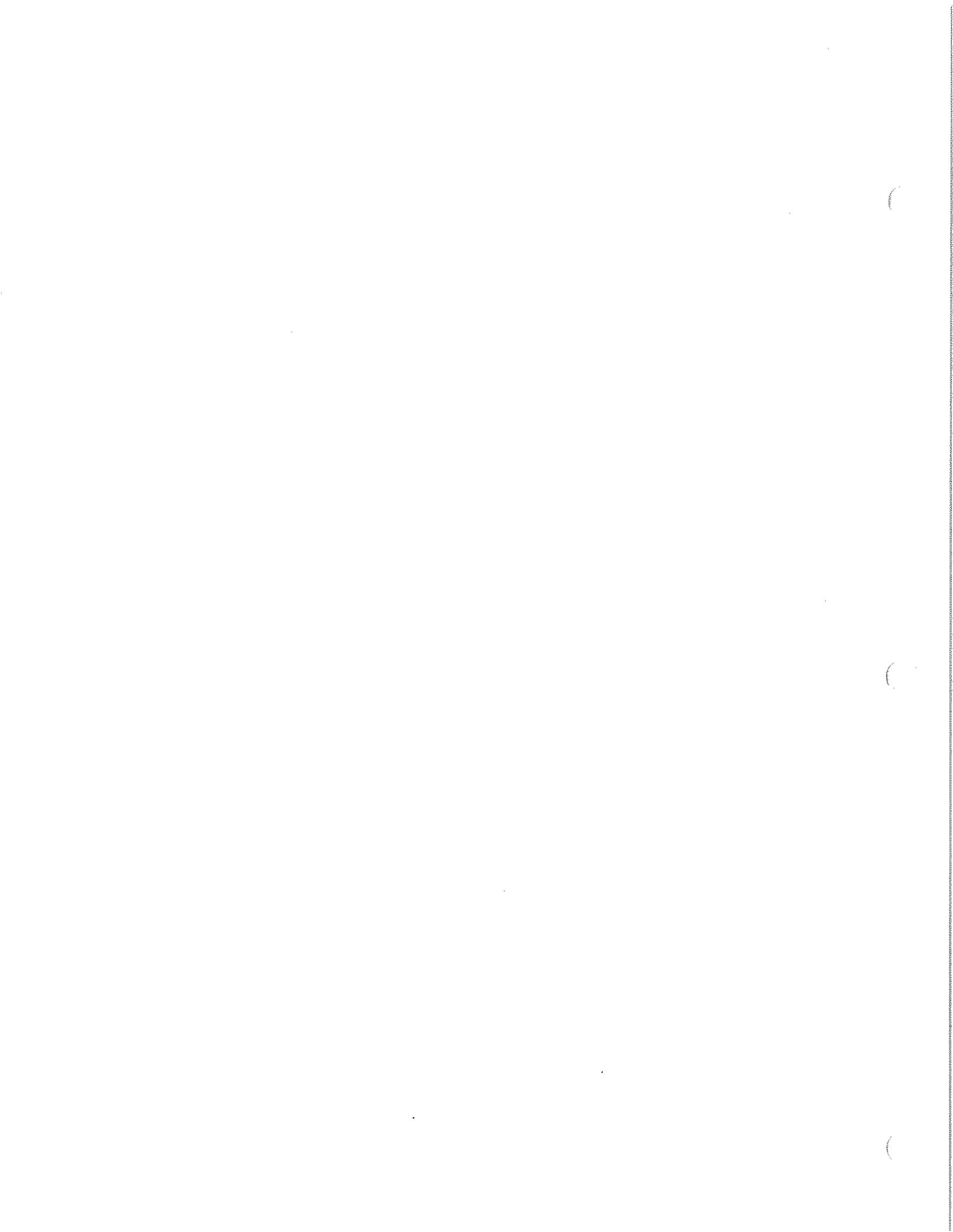
INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

The invocation and pledge was led by *Deidre Holden*

Approval of minutes: January 8th, 2020

Motion: Bill McFadden
Second: Bobbie Lee

Unanimous vote.



NEW BUSINESS:

- Request to pay all poll workers attending training.
All Election Day workers will get paid \$20.00 for coming to training and will receive a check prior to Election Day.

Motion: Bill McFadden

Second: Raymond Phillips

Unanimous vote.

- Approval of the agreements for Georgia Soil and Water

Motion: Bill McFadden

Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote.

- Soil and Water District Supervisor will be on the November 3rd, 2020 ballot.

Motion: Raymond Phillips

Second: Bill McFadden

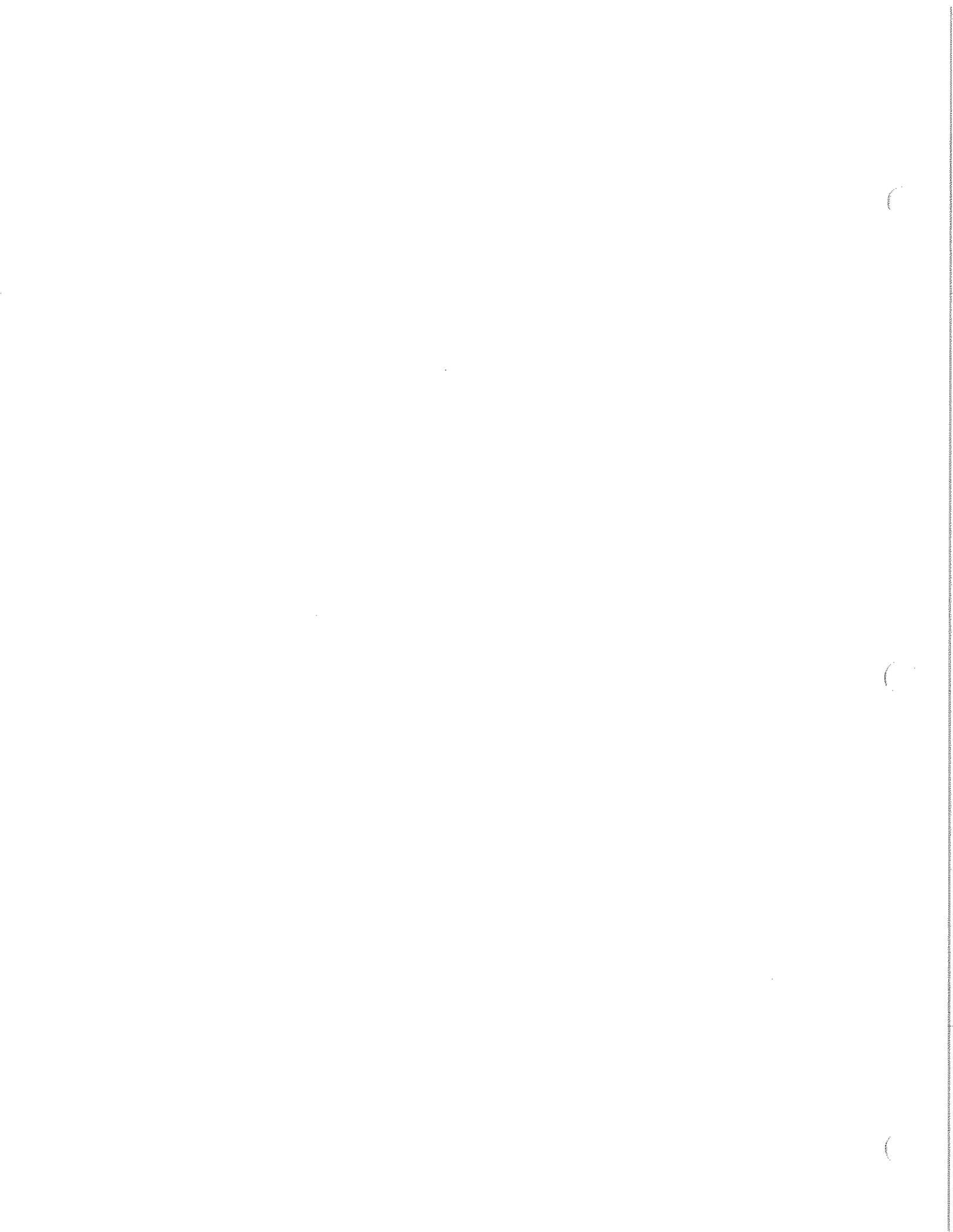
Unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

Supervisor's Report:

1. 116,838 registered voters as of 2/11/2020. Increase of 683 since January 8th, 2020.
2. 6 DDS to process, 1 OLVR, 150 Pending Voters, 124 Challenged Electors.
3. Special presentations including Deidre being with the county for 20 years, Bill being with the county for 15 years, and Lacy being with the county for 5 years.
4. Precinct Change update-Changes are made in the system, precinct cards have been sent to notify the voters affected by the changes.
5. Voting Equipment update-Space issues
6. Qualifying Information-Packets will be available by February 1st, 2020.



7. Website updates-Deidre has been making changes to the website and posting upcoming Election dates and information.
8. Social Media updates-The office has been posting on social media of upcoming dates and events.
9. Budget- Deidre is beginning to work on the budget.

Public Hearing:

- Voter Registration applications for rejection and non-compliance.

NONE

- Felons to be cancelled from Election Net system (list)

Motion: Raymond Phillips

Second: Bill McFadden

Unanimous vote.

- Voters removed from Electors List due to letter notifications and responses. (List) Deidre

Motion: Bill McFadden

Second: Bobbie Lee

Unanimous vote.

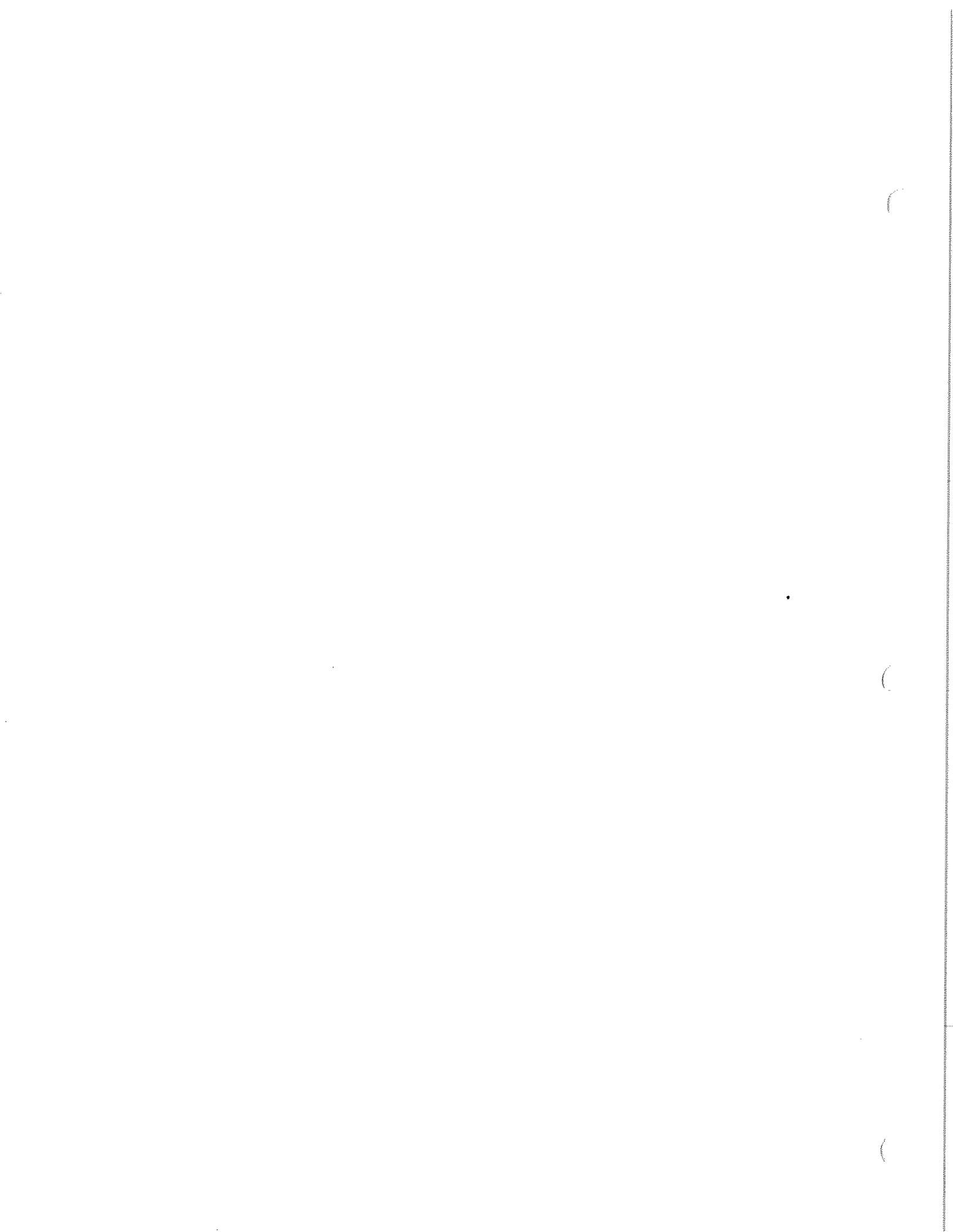
CLOSED SESSION:

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Discussion Items:

Deidre Holden

NONE



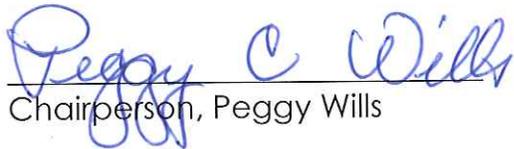
ADJOURNMENT:

**Motion to approve: Bill McFadden
Second: Bobbie Lee**

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

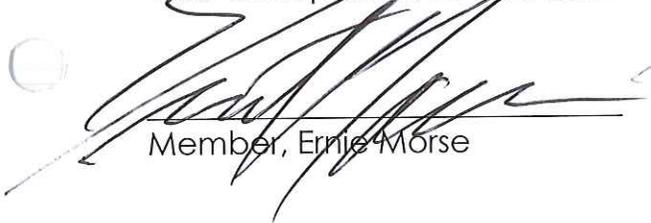
Minutes respectfully submitted by Lacy Dunn.


Chairperson, Peggy Wills

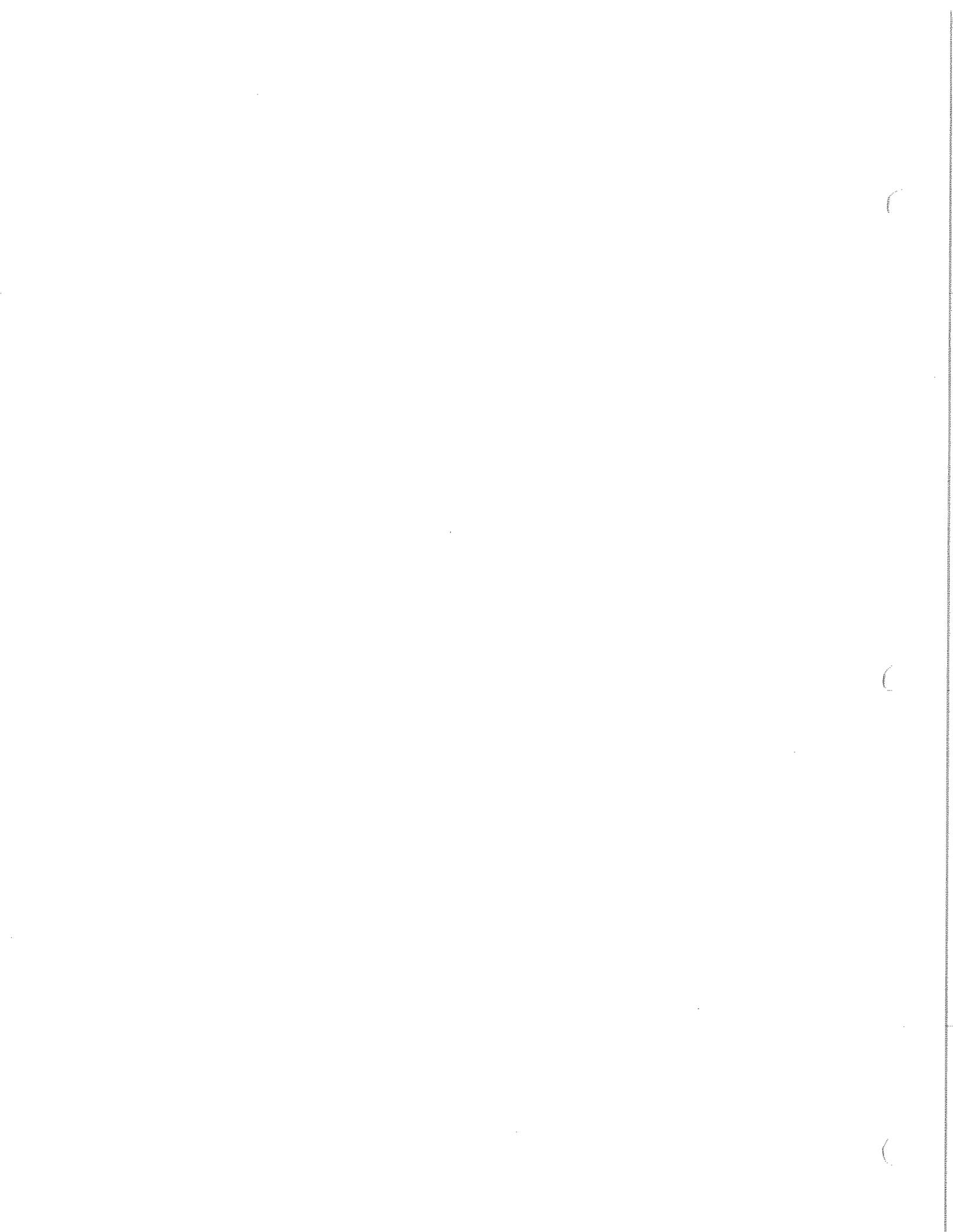

Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden


Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden


Member, Bobbie Lee


Member, Ernie Morse


Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes

May 20, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

The May 20, 2020 meeting of the Board of Elections was called to order by Board Chair, Peggy Wills at 9:06 a.m.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Ernie Morse and Raymond Phillips

Board Attorney:

Jayson Phillips

Staff Present: Deidre Holden

Special Guest:

Tom Boyle

INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

The invocation and pledge was given by Raymond Phillips.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Meeting minutes presented to the board for approval:

March 11, 2020

Motion: Bill McFadden
Second: Ernie Morse
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Voter Registration applications for rejection and non-compliance- NONE
2. Felons to be removed from Election Net-SEE ATTACHED

Motion: Bill McFadden
Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Record shall reflect that none of the notified individuals appeared before the Board.

SUPERVISOR REPORT AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Deidre Holden

1. 118,247 voters as of 5/19/2020.
2. 254 DDS to process, 88 OLVR to process, 264 pending voters, 16 challenged electors.
3. Composite Ballots are in the newspaper and available to all voters.
4. Absentee Ballot Totals Report provided by Absentee Ballot Clerk, Sherri Hamilton. See attached.
5. Absentee Ballot Mailing will begin in house on May 29 and continue through 5:00 p.m. on June 5, 2020.
6. Early voting numbers 670 as of 5/19/2020.
7. Absentee Ballot Drop boxes are installed and ready to use at Watson Gov't Complex and Hiram City Hall.
8. Early Opening and Scanning of received absentee ballots will begin at 10:00 a.m. on June 1 and continue until Election Day.
9. Voter Review Panel will be selected and appointed by Superior Court Judge.
10. Polling location emergency changes: West Ridge Church Voters will vote at East Paulding Middle School and Poplar Springs Baptist Church voters will vote at Panter Elementary School due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
11. COVID-19-we have all of our PPE supplies and are ready for Election Day.
12. Training: All poll workers have been trained. We have a few poll workers that need to have make-up training. They will come to the office for training prior to Election Day.
13. The website is updated with informative information for the voters and will be updated daily or as information becomes available.

14. Facebook, and Instagram is updated with informative information for the voters and will be updated daily or as information becomes available.
15. FY21 Budget has been submitted and is being worked on by the Board of Commissioner and the County Finance Director. We are over budget for the 2020 budget due to the changing of the dates for the March and May Primaries.

Discussion Items:

During the public hearing for felons to be removed from the electors list, board member, Ernie Morse asked: "How do felons that has been removed know that they can re-register once their sentence is complete?" Supervisor, Deidre Holden expanded on the process and informed the board that felons should be told of their rights by their attorney at the time of sentencing. County Attorney, Jayson Phillips informed the board that the Probation Officer or the Parole Supervisor should notify them of restoration of rights. He also stated that it differs from State to State.

Board Member Bill McFadden added concerns about felons not knowing that they are registering at the DDS and the notification process.

CLOSED SESSION:

NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Raymond Phillips
Second: Bill McFadden

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

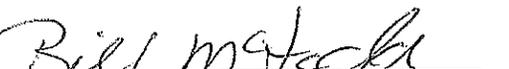
The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 A.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Deidre Holden.

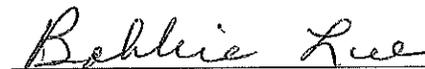
Chairperson, Peggy Wills



Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden



Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden

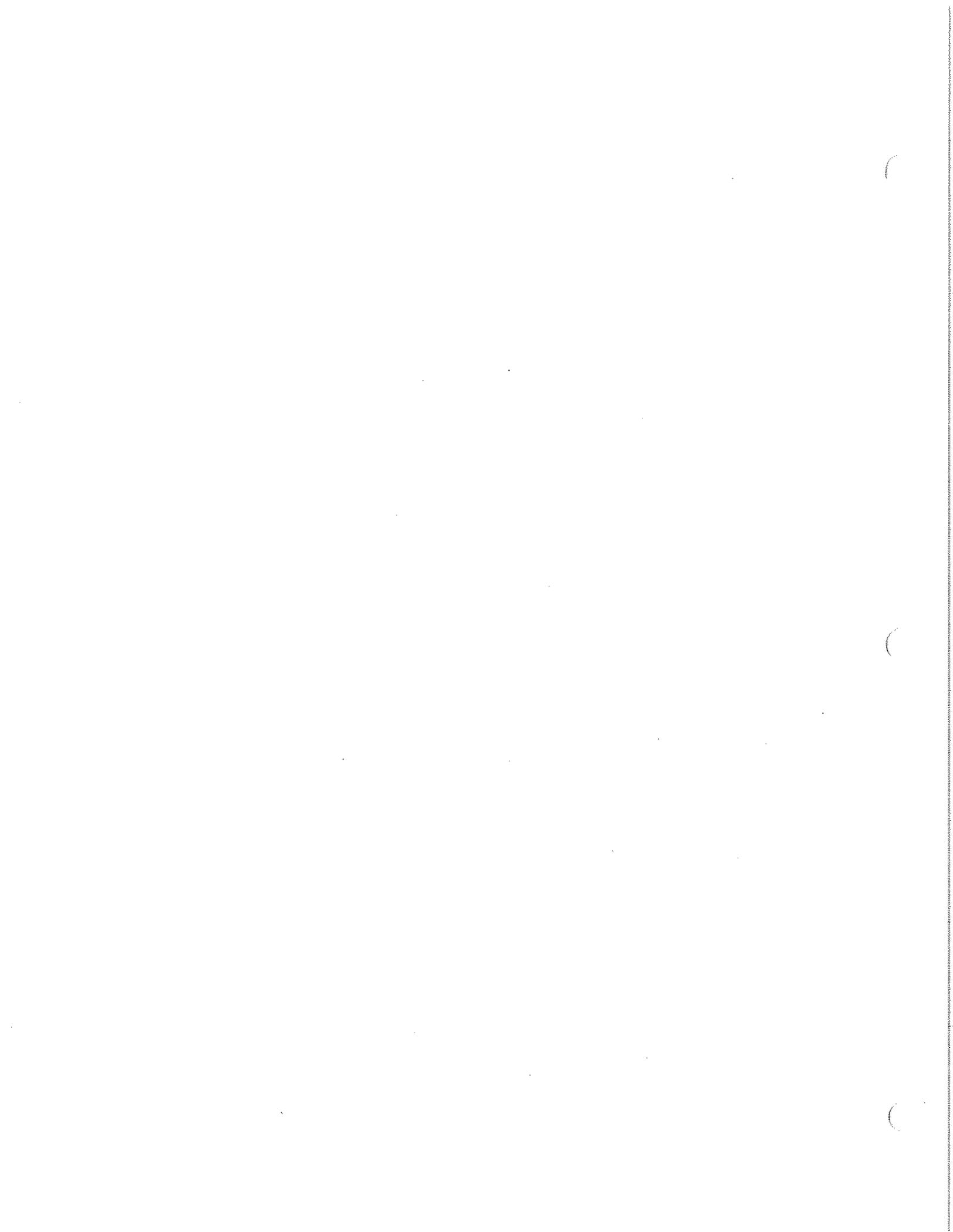


Member, Bobbie Lee



Member, Ernie Morse

Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes: SPECIAL CALLED ELECTION DAY THROUGH ELECTION CERTIFICATION

June 9, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson, Peggy Wills, called the SPECIAL CALLED ELECTION DAY MEETING for the Presidential Preference Primary and General Primary Election to order at 7:01 a.m.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, Ernie Morse, and Raymond Phillips

Staff Present: DEIDRE HOLDEN

This meeting will remain open until the certification of the election for the purpose of conducting official election business throughout the Election Day, tabulation and certification process.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Deferred

NEW BUSINESS:

- Ballots to be rejected:
 - BALLOT 1-Signature on ballot therefore relinquishing the secrecy of the ballot: Raymond Phillips made motion to reject. Ernie Morse second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.
 - BALLOT 2- Signature on ballot therefore relinquishing the secrecy of the ballot: Bobbie Lee made motion to reject. Bill McFadden second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.
 - BALLOT 3-Voter wrote SPOILED on ballot. Bill McFadden made motion to reject. Ernie Morse second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.
 - BALLOT 4: Two ballots in one envelope: Bobbie Lee made motion to reject. Bill McFadden second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

- **BALLOT 5:** Signature on ballot therefore relinquishing the secrecy of the ballot: Raymond Phillips made motion to reject. Bill McFadden second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.
- **BALLOT 6:** Voter wrote SPOILED on ballot. Bill McFadden made motion to reject. Peggy Wills second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.
- **BALLOT 7:** Ballot placed in drop box without envelope therefore voter is unable to be identified and given credit for voting the ballot. Ernie Morse made the motion to reject. Bobbie Lee second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

The Board stayed for tabulation and dismissed at 10:45 p.m. on June 9, 2020.

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION-JUNE 15, 2020

The Board convened at 10:00 a.m. on June 15, 2020 for the purpose of certifying the Presidential Preference Primary and General Primary Election. Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, and Ernie Morse were present.

Supervisor Deidre Holden presented the board with the Garrison Provisional Ballot that was cast for rejection or approval. After hearing the information provided by Supervisor Holden, Bill McFadden made a motion to reject the provisional ballot. Ernie Morse second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

Supervisor Holden presented the board with the official and complete election results from the Presidential Preference Primary and General Primary Election conducted on June 9, 2020 for certification. Bill McFadden made a motion to accept the results as presented to be certified. Ernie Morse second the motion. Unanimous vote, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Bobbie Lee
Second: Bill McFadden

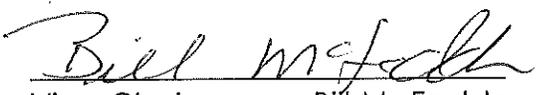
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Deidre Holden.

Chairperson, Peggy Wills



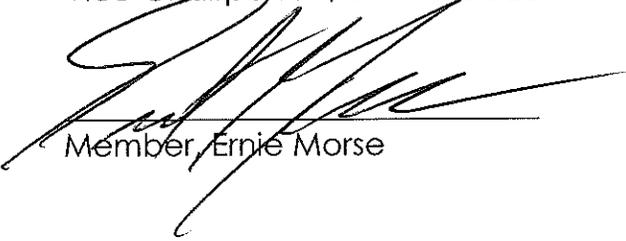
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Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden

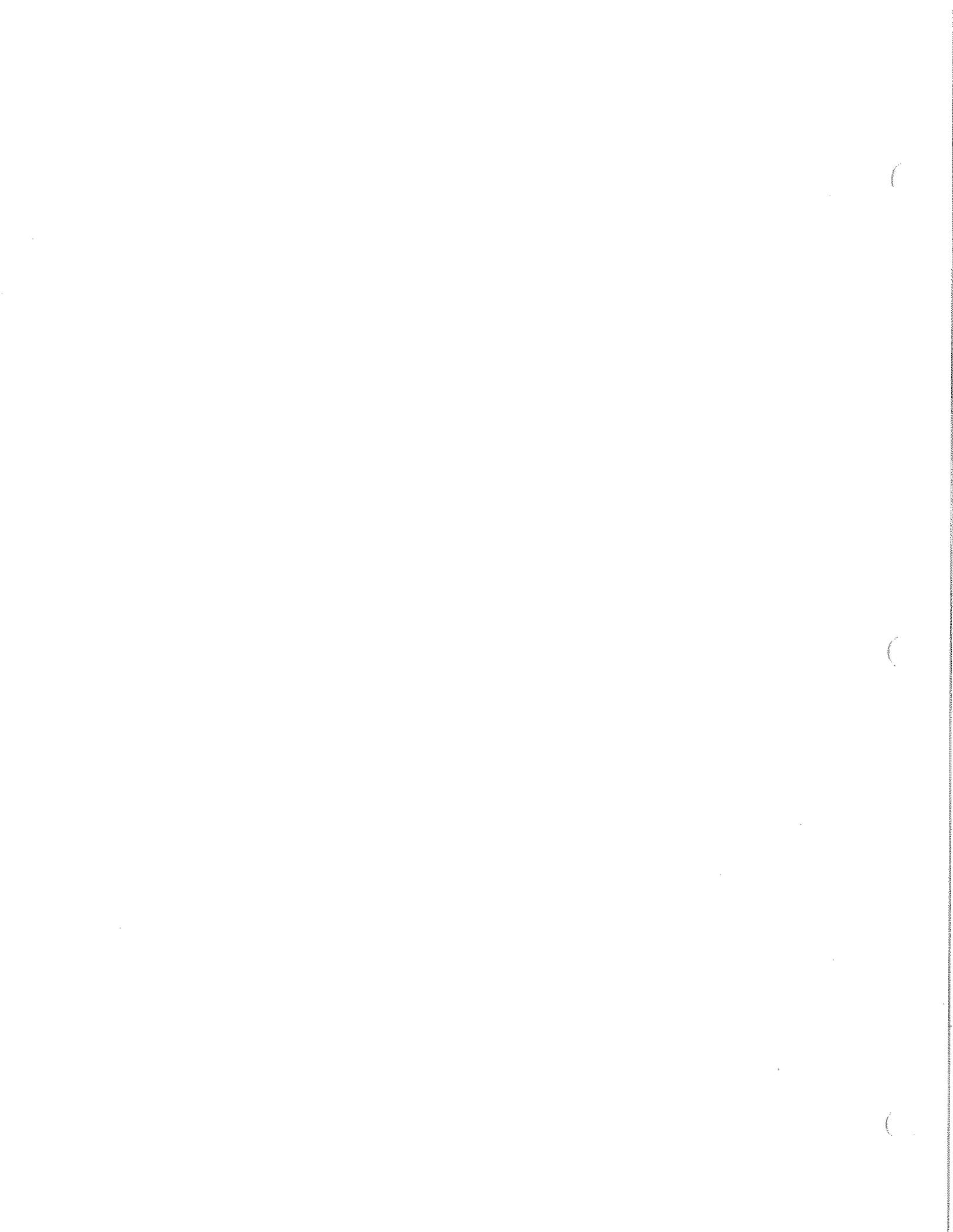


Member, Bobbie Lee



Member, Ernie Morse

Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8TH, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Co-Chair, Bill McFadden called the meeting to order at 9:01 A.M.

Members Present:

Bill McFadden, Bobbie Lee, and Ernie Morse

Staff Present:

Jayson Phillips, County Attorney

Deidre Holden
Lacy Dunn
Sherri Hamilton
Jessica Lord

Special Guest:

None

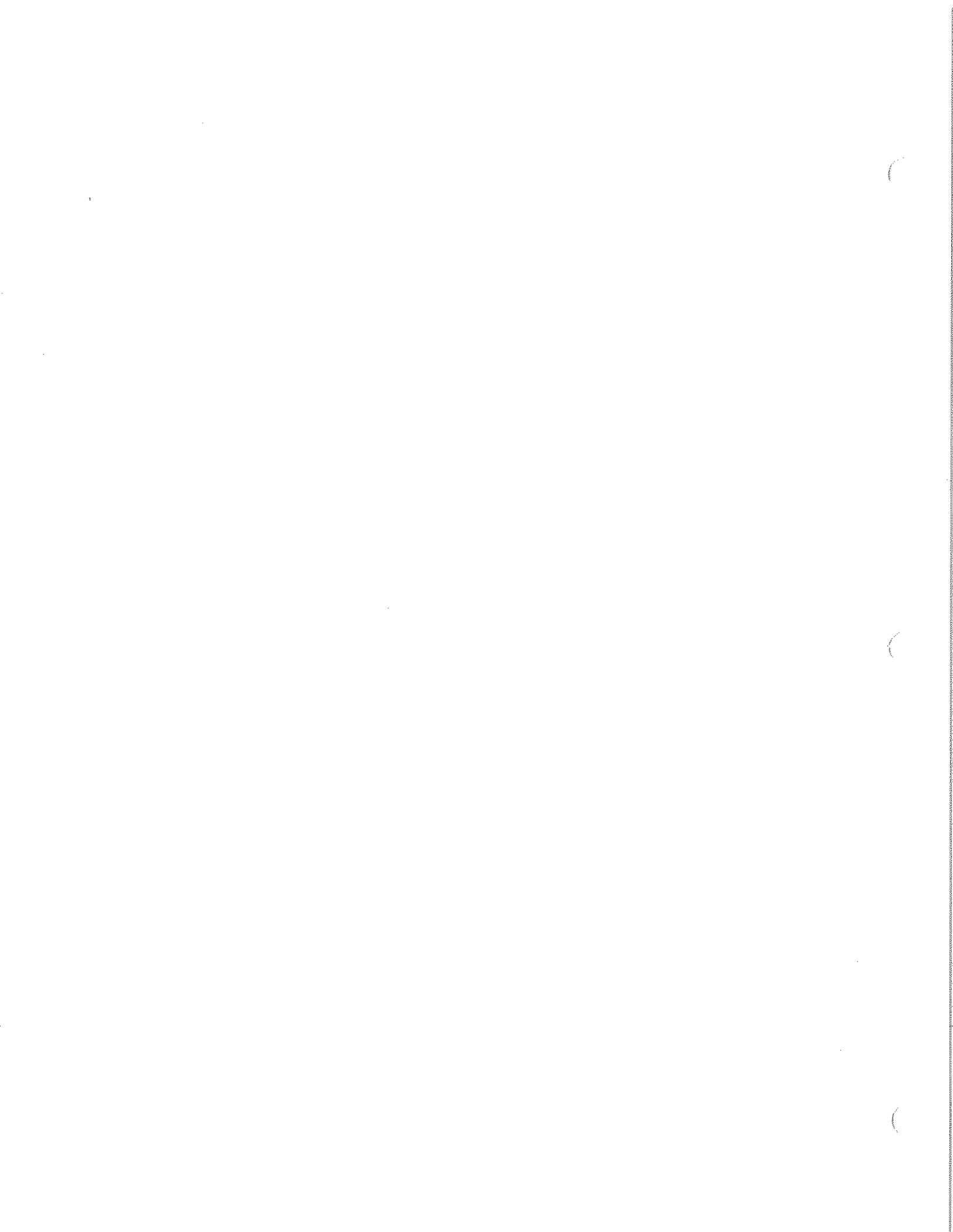
INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

The invocation and pledge was led by *Jayson Phillips*

Approval of minutes: (2 sets)
May 20th, 2020 and June 9th-June 15th, 2020:

Motion: Bobbie Lee
Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote.



NEW BUSINESS:

1. Call for Special Election HB1119 for State Court for Paulding County for November Election

Motion: Ernie Morse
Second: Bobbie Lee

Unanimous vote.

2. Special Election for City of Dallas Mayor

Motion: Bobbie Lee
Second: Ernie Morse

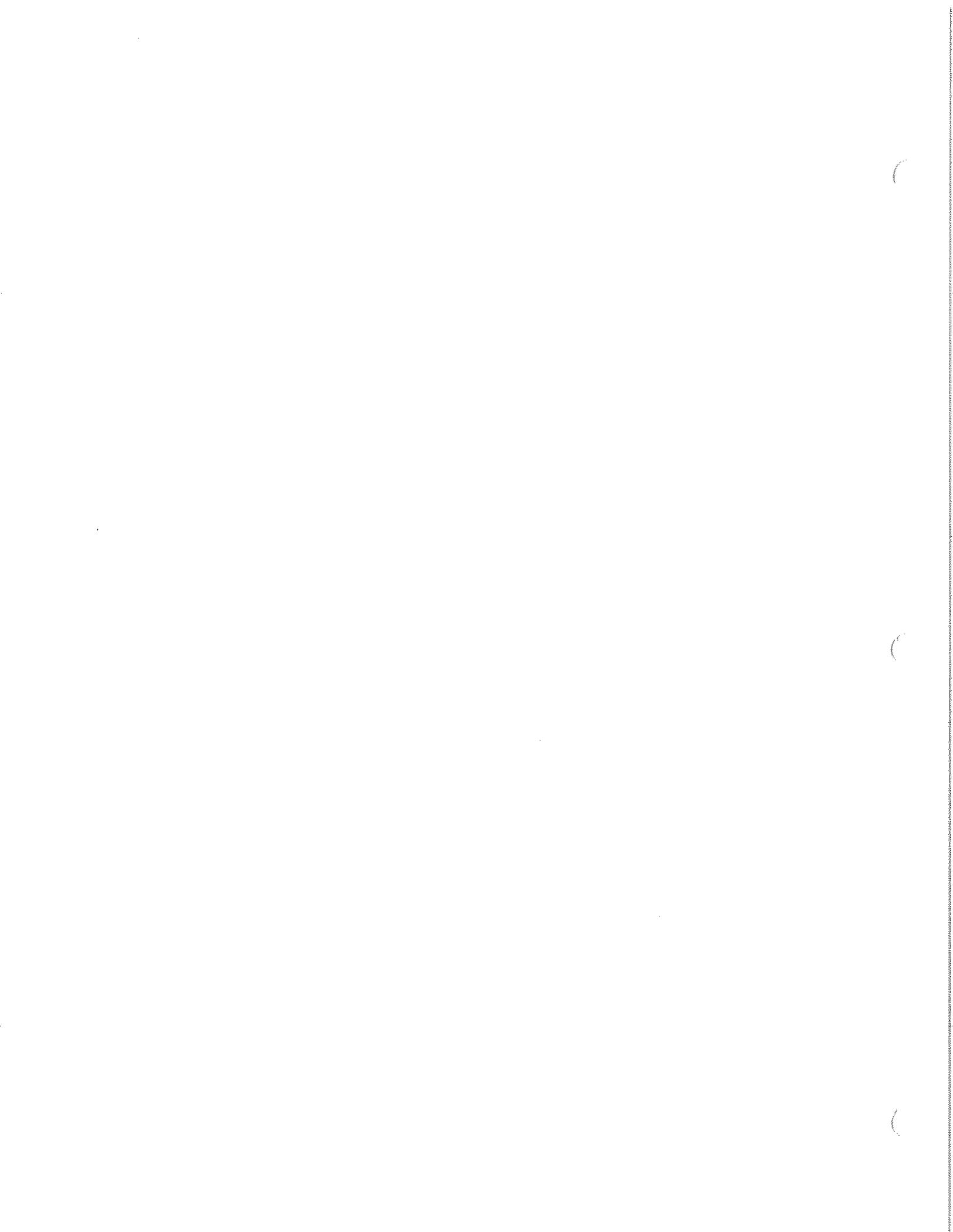
Unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

Supervisor's Report:

1. 119,013 registered voters as of 7/2/2020.
2. 855 DDS to process, 1164 OLVR, 265 Pending Voters, 24 Challenged Electors.
3. June 9th, 2020 Recount Request. Candidate was not eligible for a recount due to percentage of votes.
4. Sample ballots for August 11th, 2020 Runoff Election sent to Legal Organ Dallas New Era.
5. Absentee Ballots for Rollover Voters are being processed and sent out to all Elderly, Disabled, and UOCAVA.
6. Absentee Ballots for Rollover Voters are being processed and mailed -Elderly, Disabled, and UOCAVA.
7. Early Voting started July 20th-August 7th.
8. There will be NO SATURDAY VOTING for the runoff Election.
9. Drop boxes will be used for the runoff Election.
10. We will take advantage of Early Tabulation like the June 9th Election.
11. We will need Democratic and Republican Representation needed for Early Tabulation.
12. Polling Locations will remain the same.
13. COVID-19-we have all our cleaning supplies for the Election.
14. TRAINING information-we don't require training for a runoff Election, However, if we have new workers we will train them.
15. FY21 Budget-Budget is submitted and the BOC will be voting on it in August.



Request for Special called joint meeting with Election Support Committee meeting on August 26th, 2020.

Voted to approve the joint meeting:

Motion: Bobbie Lee
Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

Public Hearing:

- Voter Registration applications for rejection and non-compliance.

NONE

- Felons to be cancelled from Election Net system (list)

NONE

- Voters removed from Electors List due to letter notifications and responses. (List) Deidre

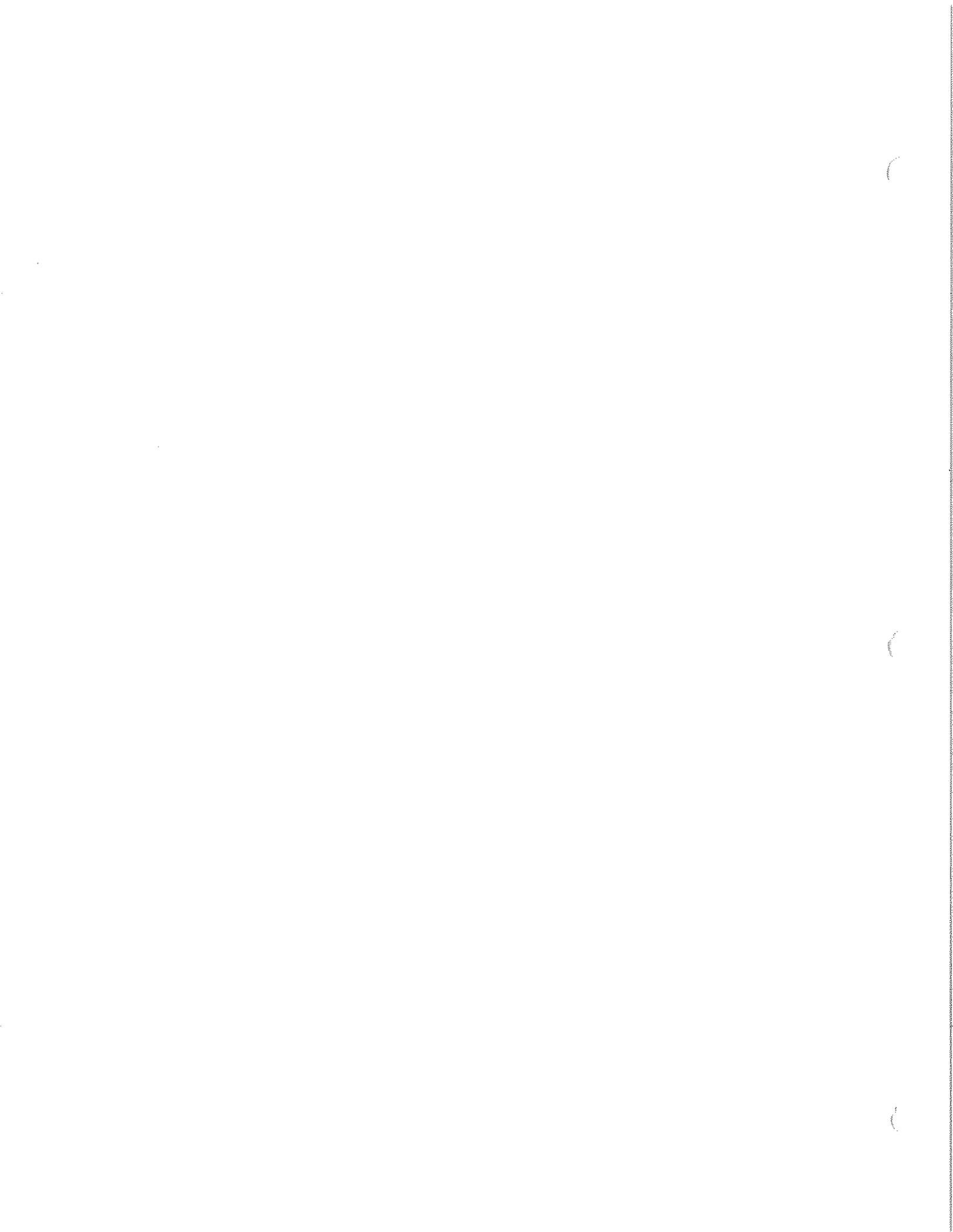
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CLOSED SESSION:

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Discussion Items: Deidre Holden

NONE



ADJOURNMENT:

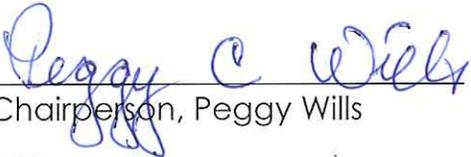
Motion to approve: Bobbie Lee

Second: Ernie Morse

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

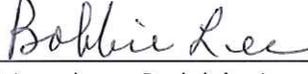
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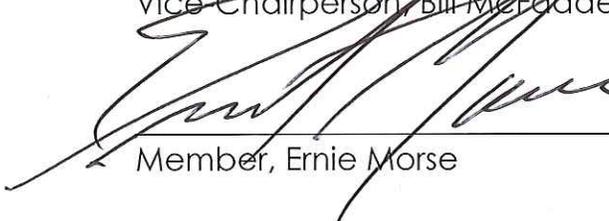
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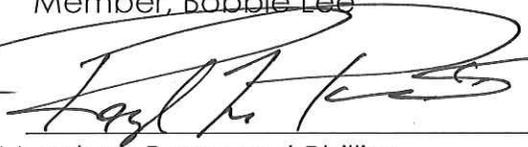

Chairperson, Peggy Wills

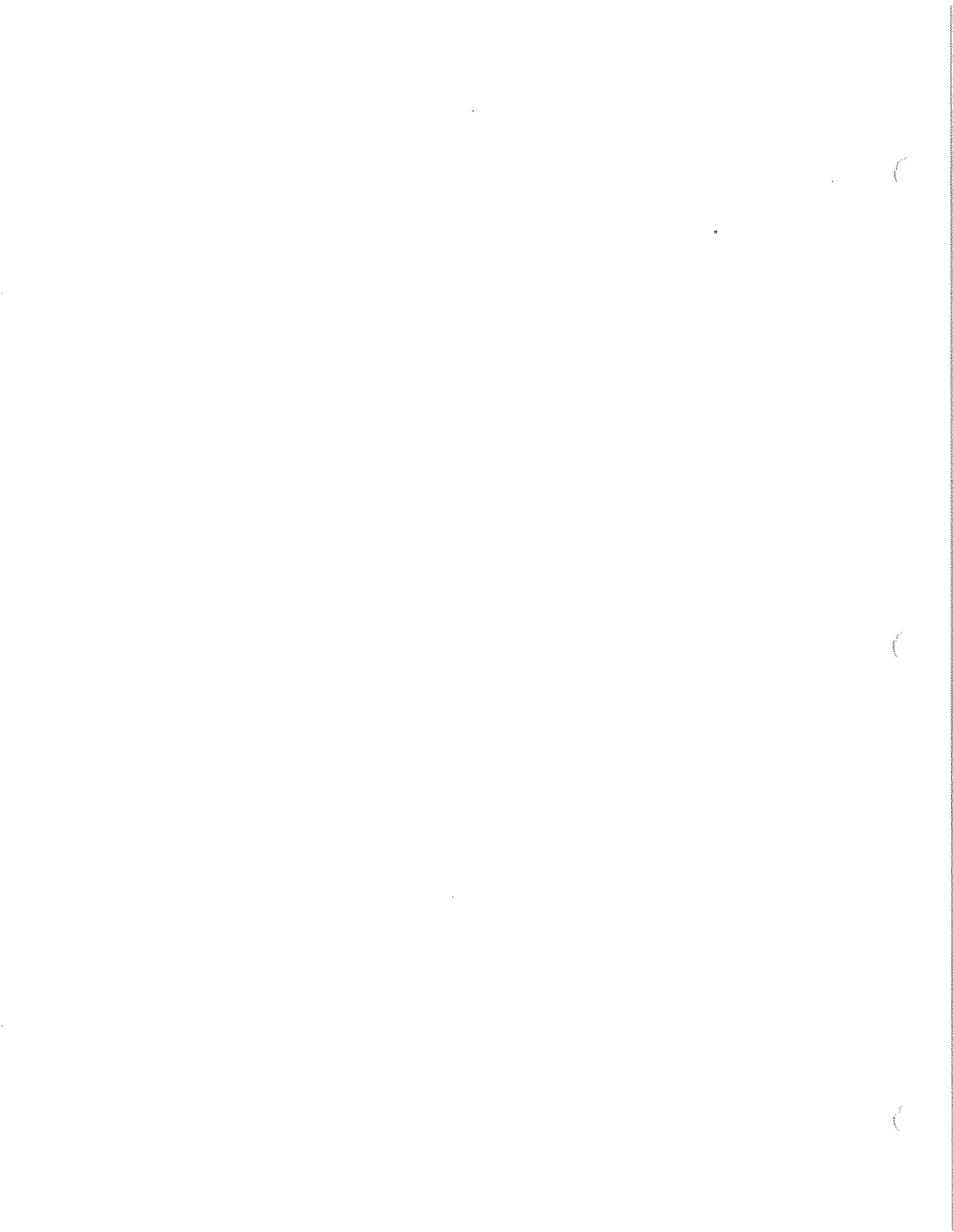

Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden


Vice Chairperson, Bill McFadden


Member, Bobbie Lee


Member, Ernie Morse


Member, Raymond Phillips



Paulding County Board of Elections & Registration Meeting Minutes: August 11, 2020 Election Day through Election Certification

August 11, 2020

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson, Peggy Wills, called the August 11, 2020 Board of Elections & Registration Election Day meeting to order at 7:00 AM. This meeting will stay open until Election Certification on August 17, 2020.

Members Present:

Peggy Wills, Bill McFadden, Ernie Morse and Raymond Phillips

Staff Present:

INVOCATION & PLEDGE:

The invocation and pledge was led by Raymond Phillips.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Deferred

CHALLENGES:

1. August 11, 2020: Election Supervisor Deidre Holden presented the Board with a ballot that was over voted. The ballot was opened the week of August 3-7, 2020. Representatives from the Republican Party agreed that the ballot choices could not be determined and agreed to send the ballot to the Board for rejection.
Raymond Phillips made the motion to reject the ballot.
Bill McFadden second the motion.
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.
2. August 17, 2020: Election Supervisor Deidre Holden presented the Board with a list of provisional/absentee ballots for rejection. These ballots were normal absentee ballots that moved to provisional/challenged status due

to cure affidavits being issued upon receipt of the ballot. No response was received back from the voter.

Bill McFadden made the motion to reject the ballots.

Bobbie Lee second the motion.

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION OF AUGUST 11, 2020 RUNOFF ELECTION:

Election Supervisor Deidre Holden presented the Board with the Official and Complete election results for the August 11, 2020 Primary Runoff Election for certification.

Bobbie Lee made the motion to certify the election.

Ernie Morse second the motion.

Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

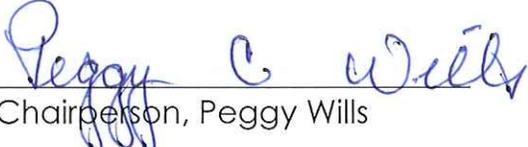
Bill McFadden made the motion to adjourn.

Bobbie Lee second the motion.

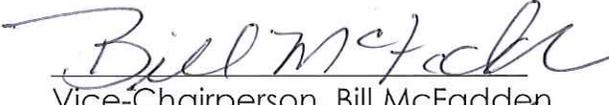
Unanimous vote. Motion carried.

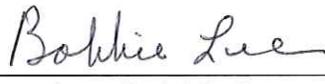
The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 PM on August 17, 2020

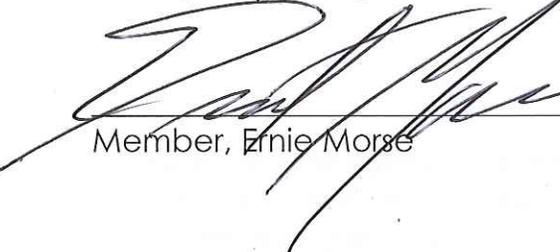
Minutes respectfully submitted by Deidre Holden.


Chairperson, Peggy Wills


Supervisor, Deidre B. Holden


Vice-Chairperson, Bill McFadden


Member, Bobbie Lee


Member, Ernie Morse


Member, Raymond Phillips