

**HAMILTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
OCTOBER 8, 2002**

**Call to Order.** Upon notice duly given, Chairman Tyrone L. Waller called to order a regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamilton County Election Commission at 5:00 p.m. on October 8, 2002, at the office of the Hamilton County Election Commission, 514 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

**Present at Meeting.** Chairman Waller, Secretary Walden and Commissioners Johnson, Kennedy and Kliner were present at the meeting. Attorney Jerry Summers, Deputy Claude Knowles, and Administrator of Elections Fran Dzik were present by invitation. Also present were members of the community as shown on the attached sheet.

**Minutes Approved.** Upon motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, the minutes of the meeting held on September 19, 2002, were unanimously approved.

**Absentee Ballot Applications.** Administrator Dzik advised the Commission that an issue had arisen due to a statewide mailing the Tennessee Republican Party had forwarded to all citizens over the age of sixty-five (65). Citizens who call into the office are being advised that phone requests to not meet the requirements of the statute and to send a written request for an application for absentee ballot to this office.

**Ballot Room.** Administrator Dzik advised the Commission that the construction of the ballot room was complete and would be utilized for the ballots for the early voting period and the November 5, 2002, election.

**Apison/Collegedale Issue.** Administrator Dzik provided the Commission members with copies of correspondence received from Hamilton County Commissioner Bill Hullander regarding four individuals who live in the Collegedale precinct and wanted to be moved to the Apison precinct. Attorney Jerry Summers advised the Commission that he had researched the issue and would recommend against taking any action at this time. The Commission accepted the recommendation of attorney Summers and instructed the Administrator to notify Commissioner Hullander of their decision.

**Locking of Absentee Ballot Boxes.** Commissioners Johnson and Walden locked the absentee ballot boxes and each Commissioner retained a key to the locks.

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**Adjournment.** There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned.

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Michael S. Walden      Secretary

APPROVED:

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Tyrone L. Waller      Chairman

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Linda Johnson      Commissioner

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William Kennedy      Commissioner

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Wesley Kliner      Commissioner