

Minutes
Hamilton County Election Commission
March 27, 2002

Upon call duly made and notice given Chairman Waller called the meeting to order with all members present except for Mr. Walden who was out of town.

Mr. Kliner explained the excel spreadsheets for figuring the budget. Everyone appreciated the fact that they had something to go by.

Chairman Waller called on Jerry Summers to go over the approval of the Sheriff's candidates. The two candidates filed with the P.O.S.T. Commission and they were waiting on approval by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation as to prior records. The P.O.S.T. Commission did fax Carolyn today certifying both Mr. Guidi and Mr. Thurman. Mr. Summers said that at this point the Commission should move to have them put on the ballot. Chairman Waller entertained a motion to have Mr. Guidi and Mr. Thurman put on the ballot, Commissioner Johnson so moved and Commissioner Kennedy seconded.

Chairman Waller asked Administrator Jackson to give an update on the Voter Registration System. Carolyn said that they had run the first CD Rom this morning and labels are in the process of being run and the diskettes. So we are now able to fill some of the orders from the candidates. Chairman Waller asked if there were any more stumbling blocks to overcome before the ballots would be ready. The ballot is now ready to go. They should begin shipping them back to us next week and they hope to run a test on April 12 for early voting.

Chairman Waller said that they needed to pass out a couple of resumes. He had a couple he passed out and also had received one from Fran Dzik. The Commission set a date for next week on Tuesday April 2 to review the resumes and make a selection for an Administrator. After much discussion the Commission decided to have the candidates come in and meet the Commissioners with each candidate coming in individually. Chairman Waller said that he would like that to be the first thing on the agenda this next meeting.

The meeting for this next week will be on Tuesday April 2, 2002 at 5:00 p.m.

After some discussion on the budget, Carolyn asked the Commission to study the spreadsheets and to look closely at having to buy new machines for the upcoming August election. She suggested about 25 machines, which includes the accuvote and the ballot box. The cost of these machines will be approximately \$180,000.00. They need to address the verification process, which is to take place over 12 months of the odd numbered years and send out a few every month. This next year's budget will need to do only half of the registered voters, from January 1 through June 30th. The other half will need to be on the next budget.

Chairman Waller said they needed to revisit the candidate issue one more time in order to know who they were, who is to notify them. The candidates are Fran Dzik, Eddy Echols, Scott Lindsay, Cathi Smothers and Patsy Reynolds. He asked if all had copies of the resumes.

There being no further business the meeting was duly and properly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary, Michael Walden

Chairman Tyrone Waller

Commissioner Linda Johnson

Commissioner William Kennedy

Commissioner Wesley Kliner