

**HAMILTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2004**

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 November 15, 2004, at the office of the Hamilton County Election Commission, 514 East 4th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Present at Meeting. Chairman Waller, Secretary Walden and Commissioners Johnson, Kennedy and DeWitt were present at the meeting. Attorney Jerry Summers, Deputy Claude Knowles, John Coxwell, CPA, 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 November 2, 2004, were unanimously approved.

Auditor's Report. Administrator Dzik provided the Commissioners with copies of the draft of the Auditor's Report stating that the results of the election were accurate. John Coxwell, managing partner of Hazlett, Lewis & Bieter, PLLC, reviewed the report with the Commission and stated that the final report would be presented to the Commission after certification of election results.

Certification of Election Results. Administrator Dzik presented the Certifications of Election for the State and Federal Election, the City of Chattanooga Municipal Election, the City of East Ridge Municipal Election, the City of Lakesite Municipal Election, the City of Soddy Daisy Municipal Election, the Town of Walden Municipal Election, the City of Red Bank Municipal Election, and the Town of Signal Mountain Municipal Election. Upon motion by Commissioner Walden, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, the Certifications of Election were unanimously approved. Copies of the Certifications are attached hereto and made a part of these minutes as if fully set out herein.

Certificate of Absentee and Early Voting Results. Administrator Dzik presented the Certificate of Absentee and Early Voting Results. Upon motion by Commissioner Walden, seconded by Commissioner DeWitt, the Certificate of Absentee and Early Voting Results was unanimously approved. Chairman Waller signed the Certificate in his official capacity as Chairman. A copy of said Certificate is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes as if fully set out herein.

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Certificates of Election. Administrator Dzik presented the Commission with the Certificates of Election which were properly signed by all Commission members.

Legal Issues. Attorney Summers advised the Commission that a hearing was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on November 16, 2004, in Chancery Court regarding the Rosetta Tipton unemployment issue.

Additionally, Attorney Summers advised that the District Attorney had scheduled and cancelled a meeting regarding the May 2002 election issue. Attorney Summers advised that the meeting would be rescheduled within the next few days.

Attorney Summers advised that the Finance Department Director was still reviewing the compensation issue of the Administrator.

Auditor's Report. John Coxwell, CPA, presented the Commission with the final report of the November 2, 2004, election. Upon motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, the report was unanimously approved.

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

Michael S. Walden Secretary

APPROVED:

Tyrone L. Waller Chairman

Linda Johnson Commissioner

William Kennedy Commissioner

Luanne DeWitt Commissioner

