

**HAMILTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
January 27, 2009**

**Call to Order:**

Upon notice duly given, Commissioner Walden called to order a regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamilton County Election Commission at 8:00 a.m. on January 27, 2009 at the office of the Hamilton County Election Commission, 700 River Terminal Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

**Moment of Silence:**

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Commissioner Roberson

**Present at Meeting:**

Commissioners Walden, Polk and Roberson were present at the meeting. Attorney Jerry Summers, and the staff of the Election Commission, as well as members of the media. Chairperson Eddington and Commissioner Bennett were not in attendance.

**Minutes:**

**Commissioner Roberson** made a motion to approve the minutes from December 9, 2008  
**Commissioner Polk** seconded.

**Early Voting:**

We will have our early voting sites at **Brainerd Rec. Center**, and **Northgate Mall**.

The times will be Monday thru Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

**Election Commission** Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 6:00 pm Saturdays 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

**Collegedale City Hall** February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

**Election Day** hours will be 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

**Commissioner Roberson** made a motion to accept the times and Locations for early Voting and Election Day hours.

**Commissioner Polk** seconded. The times and locations were unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

**Administrator Knowles** stated that we have two precinct consolidations-Summit 1 & Ooltewah 3  
We have gotten the approval of the Coordinator of Elections to do so and have notified the precincts by letter and voter registration. We will send Summit to the Bonny Oaks precinct, and Ooltewah 3 to East Brainerd *only during March 3, 2009 City Elections*.

**Commissioner Roberson** made a motion to accept.

**Commissioner Polk** seconded and it was unanimously approved.

**Administrator Knowles** stated he would like the commission's approval to change the Kingspoint voting place from the old teamster's bldg., to across the drive to Oakwood Baptist Church activities bldg. The reason is they have closed that bldg out and they have to come all the way from Knoxville to let us in.

**Commissioner Roberson** made a motion to approve the change.

**Commissioner Polk** seconded, and it was unanimously approved.

**Election Day Workers:** **Administrator Knowles** stated he had 455 workers he needed to be approved.

**Commissioner Roberson** made a motion to approve.

**Commissioner Polk** seconded and they were unanimously approved.

**Legal Matters:** **Attorney Summers** stated that he sent a memo to everyone about the early voting locations. The City of Chattanooga wanted one somewhere but that has been cleared up. The law is that you have the perogative to set the locations. I think you have already addressed that, I just wanted you to know it was your decision.

**Attorney Summers** also stated he received a call about what goes on the signs etc.. I have not heard back from them so I assume they have cleared it up already.

**Commissioner Walden** asked what the ruling was on that matter

**Attorney Summers** stated that there was very little about it and that should be a matter for the treasury to answer.

**Commissioner Walden** asked if anyone had anything else and if not to have a motion to adjourn.

**Commissioner Polk** made a motion to adjourn.

**Commissioner Roberson** seconded.

The meeting was adjourned.

**Next Meeting:**

There was no meeting scheduled at this time.

APPROVED:

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JB Bennett, Secretary

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Dorothy Eddington Chairperson

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Sharlotte Polk Commissioner

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Virgil Roberson Commissioner

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Michael S. Walden Commissioner