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JOHN M. KEARNEY
Director

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2022
4 P.M.

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Kelly Shore.

Roll Call

- Present were Chairwoman Kelly Shore, Secretary Paige Wood, Member Brenda Foster, Member Dwight Jordan, Member Kevin Lewis, and Director John Kearney.
- No members of the public were in attendance.

Approval of Minutes from the May 27, 2022 Canvass Meeting

- Motion was made by Member Brenda Foster to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion was seconded by Member Dwight Jordan, motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

- None

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Rocky Mount Ward 7 Dortches voters – Director Kearney informed the board that Ward 7 covers 3 Precincts: Dortches, Rocky Mount Battleboro and Rocky Mount Benvenue. The Director recommended that the Ward 7 voters living in the Dortches Precinct be temporarily relocated, for the run-off election, to Benvenue Baptist Church. He stated that this was a normal practice in Rocky Mount elections as there are only 106 Rocky Mount voters in the Dortches Precinct.

Motion was made by Member Kevin Lewis to temporarily move the Ward 7 voters living in the Dortches Precinct to the Benvenue Baptist Church for the July 26th run-off election. Motion was seconded by Member Dwight Jordan, motion passed unanimously. All board members signed the resolution.

(Minutes continued from June 8th meeting.)

- Rocky Mount Ward 7 Early Voting – Director Kearney informed the board that the office is mandated by law to be open for early voting for the Ward 7 run-off election. He stated the minimum number of hours for the office was 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. Monday through Friday and 8:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. the last Saturday. Director Kearney also stated that to his knowledge there had never been an early voting site in Rocky Mount for a City Council run-off election. If a site is opened in Rocky Mount, it would have to be open 11.5 hours each weekday plus 7 hours the last Saturday. The estimated cost to staff a Rocky Mount site would be \$6,000. Director Kearney stated that due to the expected low turnout and long hours it would be difficult to staff the location. He stated that he had personally informed each candidate about today's meeting. Director Kearney recommended to the board that office location be the only site open as required by law.

Motion was made by Member Dwight Jordan to only have the office site open, as required by law, for the July 26th run-off election. Motion was seconded by Member Kevin Lewis, motion passed unanimously.

Other Business or Board Member Comments

- None

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Paige Wood, Secretary