



# McDowell County Board of Elections

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Dean Buff, Chairman  
JR Hachadurian, Secretary  
Kim Welborn, Director of Elections

## MEMBERS

Dean Buff  
JR Hachadurian  
Tom Cline  
Michelle Price  
Della Watson

The McDowell County Board of Elections met Friday, November 13, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. for challenge hearing and 11:00 a.m. for canvass

Members Present: Dean Buff *DB*  
Tom Cline *TC*  
Della Watson *DW*  
JR Hachadurian *JRH*  
Michelle Price  
Kim Welborn, Director  
Jane Dale Propst, Deputy Director

Observer: Ken Michael, Bob Frazier, Corey Mackinnon (online)

The meeting was called to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting, November 12, 2020 were presented. Tom Cline motioned to approve, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried.

## Old Business:

## New Business:

- 1) Challenge hearing: notices were sent to voters, evidence of deaths and/or registering in another county was presented, remove ballots from absentee by mail bags, tally ballots, seal challenge ballots in separate bag, manual edits on electionware computer. 4 ballots were removed for deceased voters that passed away after voting absentee by mail, 4 ballots were removed for voters voting one-stop while awaiting cures. The absentee by mail ballots were placed in the tabulator. 1 ballot was removed due to voter voting absentee ballot in McDowell and also moving to Buncombe and voting absentee ballot. Michelle Price motioned to approve the challenges of 9 voters and to remove from the totals, seconded by Della Watson. The motion carried.
- 2) The voter that moved to Buncombe will be sent to the NC State Board of Elections Investigations Team for attempting to double vote.
- 3) The tally of the ballots was completed. Tom Cline motioned to approve, seconded by Michelle Price. The motion carried.
- 4) Recess until 11:00 a.m. for time of canvass.
- 5) The canvass of the election was presented. Reconciliation worksheets were presented, and totals from Electionware. Della Watson motioned to approve the canvass of the November 3, 2020 General Election, seconded by JR Hachadurian. The motion carried.

- 6) Question period from observers.
- 7) A recount is possible and if requested it will be scheduled for next week.
- 8) Della Watson motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Michelle Price. The motion carried.
- 9) The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Kimberly Welborn*

Kimberly Welborn, Director

November 13, 2020

