



# McDowell County Board of Elections



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

## MEMBERS

Dean Buff  
JR Hachadurian  
Tom Cline  
Kay House  
Della Watson

**Meeting Date:** Monday, May 20, 2024

**Board Members Present:**

Dean Buff *AB*  
JR Hachadurian *JRH*  
Kay House *Kay House*  
Tom Cline  
Della Watson *DW*

**Board Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:**

Kim Welborn, Director  
Jane Propst, Deputy Director

**Public Attendees:**

Barbara Hilty

**Opening**

Quorum is present.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting, May 14, 2024 were presented. Kay House motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

**Old Business**

**New Business**

1. One supplemental absentee was received on Election Day. Kay House motioned to approve, seconded by Tom Cline. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.
2. No provisional ballots were cast during the 5-14-24 Second Primary.
3. The Random Sample Audit was conducted with hand eye results matching the machine counts. Kay House motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.
4. A discussion of polling place changes for the Higgins Precinct to move from the Highway Patrol Station to the Universal Advance Training Facility and utilize the Highway Patrol Station for an Emergency site. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

The Montford Cove polling place to move to the brand-new Sugar Hill Montford Cove Fire Department. The emergency site for Montford Cove will remain Sugar Hill Baptist Church. Kay House motioned to approve, seconded by Della Watson. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

The staff recommends to move the Old Fort #1 precinct from the Old Fort First Baptist Church to the Old Fort Depot and utilize the Old Fort First Baptist Church for the Emergency site. Tom Cline motioned to make the change pending the approval from the Old Fort Alderman, seconded by Della Watson. No further discussion. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

### General Discussion

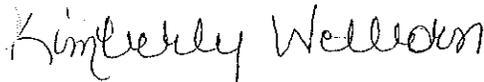
### Public Comments

Next meeting May 24, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

### Adjournment

Della Watson motioned to adjourn at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly Welborn, Director

May 20, 2024

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