



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
Kay House
Della Watson

Meeting Date: Friday, September 13, 2024

Board Members Present: Dean Buff
JR Hachadurian *JRH*
Tom Cline *TC*
Della Watson *DW*

Board Members Absent: Kay House *KH*

Staff Present: Kim Welborn, Director
Jane Propst, Deputy Director

Public Attendees: Barbara Hilty
Susan Elliott
Elizabeth Gibbs

Opening

Quorum is present.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting, September 4, 2024 were presented. Della Watson motioned to approve, seconded by Tom Cline. No discussion. The motion carried unanimously 4-0.

Old Business

New Business

1. The updated version of the November 5, 2024 Ballot was presented. Tom Cline motioned to approve, seconded by JR Hachadurian. No further discussion. The motion carried unanimously 4-0. Ballots are being worked on and all 100 counties must have their ballots in house before the absentees can be sent.
2. An additional seasonal employee, Mattie Duckworth was introduced.
3. Voting Equipment Logic and Accuracy Testing will be conducted September 26, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. by Michelle Wyatt, Printelect Representative and the change has been advertised for public viewing.

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4. David Morgan and Joe Quinn will be honored for their many years of serving the McDowell County Board of Elections as Precinct Officials. The presentation will be held on October 14, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the Carson House in conjunction with the County Commissioners meeting.
5. The county has a new system for employees to clock in/out, therefore paper time sheets will not be completed. The County Manager will approve the time sheets for all Department Heads; however, the Director is paid through the county, appointed by the state, and answers directly to the county board, the county board would have to give approval for the county manager to approve the time sheet. Della Watson motioned to approve the change for the Director, seconded by JR Hachadurian. A discussion of what other counties do, but the staff has no knowledge. The motion carried unanimously 4-0.
6. The Election Day officials list was presented. Dean Buff motioned to approve the list, seconded by JR Hachadurian. The list with the political affiliation listed is no longer public according to state law. The motion carried unanimously 4-0.
7. With the passing of Marty Elliott, Chair of Democrat Party the staff is very saddened and want to honor Marty for his hard work, and to welcome Susan Elliott, wife of Marty as the new Democrat Party Chair. We look forward to working with her.

General Discussion

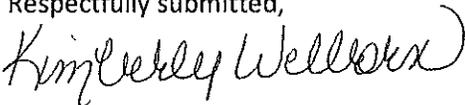
Public Comments

Adjournment

The next board meeting will be Tuesday, October 1, 2024.

Della Watson motioned to adjourn at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kimberly Welborn, Director

September 13, 2024