

Bristol Virginia Electoral Board

Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2018

Present: Nancy Steele, Chair; Sarah Williams, Vice-Chair; Jane L. Sheffey, Secretary; Penny Limburg, General Registrar; Candidate, Franklin "Neal" Osborne, Media representatives from the Bristol Herald Courier, and Archie Hubbard, current city council member. There were also a couple of members from the public.

Next meeting: May 31, 2018 for the purpose of conducting logic and accuracy testing for the June 12, 2018 Primary Election.

- I. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers by Chairman, Nancy Steele.

- II. **Provisional Ballot Determination**– The first order of business was to review the one provisional ballot cast at Virginia High precinct due to lack of identification. The voter had an ID made at the registrar's office on Election Day, therefore, meeting the ID requirement. Williams moved to count the ballot with a second by Sheffey. All were in agreement to count the ballot. The envelope was opened in such a way as to preserve the privacy of the voter. There was only one vote marked on the ballot and it was for Mr. Osborne. The board completed the provisional precinct paperwork and added one vote to Mr. Osborne's vote total.

- III. **Canvass of Votes** – Before examining the first precinct, Williams complemented the officers of election stating that everything was very well-organized. The board members were all in agreement that we have a good group of people.

The Statement of Results (SOR) from each precinct was examined and found to be free from error.

The board elected to count write-in votes cast for Mr. Ricky Watts. The candidate made his intentions known that he was running a write-in campaign by filing a Statement of Organization with the registrar's office. Of the 362 total write-in votes cast for member of City Council, 328 votes were cast for Mr. Watts.

The total number of write-in votes for both City Council and School Board exceeded 5% of the total votes cast for each office, therefore, a detailed write-in certification will be completed as part of the abstract of votes.

The registrar requested temporary adjournment to prepare the write-in certifications and abstracts. Sheffey made a motion to adjourn the canvass until 4:00 p.m. Williams seconded the motion and all were in agreement. Chair Steele adjourned the meeting and stated it would reconvene later in the day at 4:00 p.m. in the Office of Voter Registration.

May 2, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. – Chairman Steele called the meeting to order. The registrar presented the prepared abstracts and write-in certifications. The board proceeded to certify the results. Total number voting was 1475 with 13.5% of total registered voters voting. Certified copies of the abstracts follow these minutes.

The following three candidates having the most votes were chosen for each office:

City Council – William T. Hartley	1054 votes
Franklin "Neal" Osborne	953 votes
Kevin S. Wingard	665 votes

School Board – Randall J. White	1001 votes
Randy W. Alvis	945 votes
Steven L. Fletcher	904 votes

VII. Adjournment – Upon a motion from Sheffey seconded by Williams, and agreement by all, the meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Signature of secretary

date