

Monday, July 7, 2008

The Graham County Board of Elections met on Monday, July 7, 2008 at 5:00pm at the Board of Elections office at 18 Court Street, Robbinsville, NC. Present were Chairman Colvard, Secretary Odom, and Member Cody. Chairman Colvard called the meeting to order.

1. Chairman Colvard asked to amend the agenda to include item number six as voter stats, item number seven as discussion of policy regarding overtime or comp time, and item number eight as discussion of election of officers for the August meeting agenda. Member Cody asked to amend the agenda to include item number 2A as minutes and asked that closed session to discuss personnel matters be added as item number nine. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve the agenda with amendments. Member Cody seconded the motion. Vote unanimous by Board.
2. No public comment.
- 2A. Member Cody made a motion to do away with the taping of the minutes and freehand them only. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Secretary Odom opposed.
3. Secretary Odom made a motion to approve minutes from 6/23/08, 6/24/08, and 07/01/08. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Member Cody abstained.
4. Director Farley presented the Board with information regarding the petition for Fontana Dam.
5. Director Farley provided all members of the Board with a copy of the letter sent to the County Manager by Chairman Colvard requesting funds to furnish the office.
6. The Board reviewed and discussed voter stats and reports.
7. After some discussion, Secretary Odom made a motion to switch to comp time instead of overtime in order to keep costs down. Member Cody seconded the motion. Vote unanimous by Board.
8. Chairman Colvard announced her intention to step down as Chairman of the Board of Elections and asked that election of officers be placed on the August agenda.
9. Member Cody made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters. Secretary Odom seconded the motion. Vote

unanimous by Board. Back in open session, Member Cody made a motion to raise Director Farley to \$15.00 per hour and Assistant Weeks to \$10.50 per hour. Secretary Odom seconded the motion. Vote unanimous by Board. Chairman Colvard asked Director Farley to get information from Swain, Cherokee, and Clay counties and she will get information from Gates County comparing salaries in order to draft a letter to the Board of Commissioners requesting the raises.

10. Secretary Odom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Cody seconded the motion. Vote unanimous by Board.

Juanita Colvard, Chairman

Steve Odom, Secretary

Dirk Cody, Member