

Friday, July 31, 2009

The Graham County Board of Elections met on Friday, July 31, 2009 at 5:00 pm for a Continued meeting at the Board of Elections office at 18 Court Street, Robbinsville, NC. Present were Chairman Colvard, Secretary Cody and Member Ditmore.

1. Chairman Colvard called the meeting to order and made a motion to recess until Member Ditmore is sworn in. Secretary Cody seconded the motion. After Member Ditmore returned, Secretary Cody made a motion to reconvene. Member Ditmore seconded the motion. Secretary Cody made a motion to amend the agenda to include item number five regarding the duties and responsibilities of the Director, and item number six regarding challenges to candidates. Member Ditmore seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
2. No public comment.
3. Member Ditmore made a motion to appoint Dirk Cody as Chairman of the Board. Chairman Colvard seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. Chairman Cody made a motion to appoint Juanita Colvard as secretary to the Board. Member Ditmore seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
4. Member Ditmore made a motion to table the approval of minutes for 7/6/09, 7/8/09, and 7/20/09 until the next meeting. Secretary Colvard seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
5. Member Ditmore made a motion to table the duties and responsibilities of the Director until the next meeting. Secretary Colvard seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.
6. Director Farley informed the Board that two challenges have been made to candidates' residency for Town of Lake Santeetlah Council. After reviewing the statutes, it was decided that the Board should hire an attorney to help with the challenge process. Assistant County Manager Kim Crisp informed the Board that they could use any attorney of their choosing due to the fact that the county attorney holds a high ranking position in a state political party, which would be a conflict of interest. Chairman Cody set up a meeting with someone from the firm of McKinney & Tallant at 10:00am on August 3, 2009.
7. Member Ditmore made a motion to continue the meeting until Monday, August 03, 2009. Secretary Colvard seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

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Dirk Cody, Chairman

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Juanita Colvard, Secretary

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Billy Ditmore, Member