October 06, 2022 Absentee Meeting Minutes

Invocation - Billy King

The meeting was called to order on October 06, 2022 at 9:06 a.m. at the Cumberland County Board of Elections board room by the Secretary.

Present:

Billy King - Member

Irene Grimes - Secretary

James Baker - Member

Staff:

Vicki Hillburn, Mitzie Roberts, Angie Amaro

Absent:

Helen Nelson - Chair

Linda Devore - Member

Guests:

Michael Futch

ACTION: Member King moves that the Board approve the agenda.

Second: Member Baker Vote: Unanimous in favor

Absentee Officer Hillburn presents 81 absentee ballot envelopes: 80 Civilian, 1 Military that have been received and reports that the staff recommendation is to approve them. Board members spot check the envelopes.

ACTION: Member Baker moves to approve the 81 absentee ballots presented by staff following their recommendation.

Second: Member King Vote: Unanimous in favor

Ballots were entered into the tabulator, bringing the total absentee ballot count on the DS200 to 327.

Responding to a question from Member Grimes (whether there had been any absentee ballot envelopes that were problematic), Absentee Officer Hillburn reports that a few ballots had been returned to the BOE office by the U.S. Postal service. She noted that they had all come through the post office at the corner of Owen Drive and Southern Avenue and that all were returned as undeliverable. She double checked/verified that the addresses on the envelopes were correct and contacted the voters who all confirmed that they resided at those addresses. She had made repeated attempts to contact the postmaster at that post office with no success; she has also had no success in contacting the Fayetteville area postmaster.

Adjournment

Motion: Member King

Second: Member Baker Chair Nelson adjourned the meeting at 09:32 a.m.

Submitted by,

Billy King, Member