

Monroe County Board of Elections

MINUTES

March 8, 2021

Attendance: Board Members: Sam Bennett, Mary Chambliss, Linda Davis, Rosalyn Harbuck, and Jim Zellner.

Staff: Kaye Warren

Meeting was called to order and was opened with prayer.

The minutes of the February 8 meeting were approved as printed.

The Expenditure Analysis was reviewed. Harbuck suggested that the finance person from the Commissioners' Office be invited to our next meeting to help us better understand the analysis sheet we receive and the budgeting process.

Warren reported that the storage building had been placed across the street and that the staff is looking forward to organizing the office and storage buildings. Also she reported that the county was offering a new class, "Active Shooter Training" for county staff.

City of Culloden Update:

The City Council has requested the State Legislature (HB 172) amend the City Charter to reduce the City Council to five members and to provide for four year terms for mayor and council members.

Warren has contacted the city attorney, Bob Harris, about the need for a special election to fill a vacancy created by the death of a Council Member, but has not received a reply.

Warren reported on information that had been received concerning the need to purchase a continuing warranty on the new voting equipment when the state warranty expires. After some questions, the Board agreed that since this will require a significant expenditure this is a decision the Commissioners will need to make.

There was a discussion about several bills currently before the State Legislature concerning proposed changes to voting procedures after concerns resulting from the 2020 elections.

There being no other business the Chairman thanked the members for attending the meeting, and noted that the next meeting of the Board will be on March 8, 2021 at 4pm.