

Hoke County  
Board of Elections



November 14, 2017  
5 P.M.

227 N. Main Street  
Raeford, North Carolina  
28376

Commissioner's Room  
Pratt Building

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The Hoke County Board of Elections Board Members meet on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 5 pm in the County Commissioner's room.

**Members Present:**

Robert Vaughn, Chairman  
John Harry, Secretary  
Gloria B. Hill, Member (via conference call)

**Other(s) Present:**

Towanna Jackson, Director  
Daryel Garnes, Temporary Election Technician

**Item 1. Call to Order**

Robert Vaughn called the meeting to order at 5 pm.

**Item 2. Consideration of November 04 and November 07 minutes**

**Motion: Robert Vaughn, chairman; made a motion to accept the minutes of November 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 minutes.**

**Action: John Harry, secretary gave a motion to accept the minutes and Gloria Hill; member gave a second to accept the minutes.**

The minutes were discussed in brief due to the absence of Gloria Hill so that she could get an understanding of the minutes. With no modifications needing to be done, the minutes were accepted as is.

**Item 3. Overby concern**

**Motion: Robert Vaughn, chairman; made a motion to end the Overby concern since a common ground of understanding was not reach over the temporary hiring of an Election Technician.**

**Action: John Harry, secretary gave a motion to accept and Gloria Hill; member gave a second to accept the matter of the Overby concern as not resolved and to move on to further business.**

Clifford Overby approach the board to discuss the temporary hire of an Election Technician position that was temporarily filled. Mr. Overby criticized the board and the director for not responding to an email that was sent on October 20, 2017 in a timely fashion on questions he had about the temporary hiring that he was not made aware of or considered for hiring. The director explained that the emailed sent from Mr. Overby was not received but, when his second inquiry was, the director gave a response to Mr. Overby along with the board.

Information was presented to Mr. Overby on the duties of the board and what measures they can take to ensure the success of an election in filling a position in need. Mr. Overby was also informed that when the position of the Election Technician became open again that he would have the opportunity to apply since it was not filled permanently. Mr. Overby did not seem happy over this response and the meeting was ended because a solution was not reach so that other business on the agenda could be discuss.

**Item 4. Canvass November 17**

The board was reminded of the county Canvass that would take place at 11:00 am according to General Statute § 163-182.5.

*The county board of elections shall meet at 11:00 A.M. on the tenth day after every election to complete the canvass of votes cast and to authenticate the count in every ballot item in the county by determining that the votes have been counted and tabulated correctly. If, despite due diligence by election officials, the initial counting of all the votes has not been completed by that time, the county board may hold the canvass meeting a reasonable time thereafter. The canvass meeting shall be at the county board of elections office, unless the county board, by unanimous vote of all its members, designates another site within the county. The county board shall examine the returns from precincts, from absentee official ballots, from the sample hand-to-eye paper ballot counts, and from provisional official ballots and shall conduct the canvass.*

**Item 5. Closed Session (Optional)**

No closed session needed.

**Item 6. Adjournment**

There being no further business to be presented to the Hoke County Board of Elections Board, Gloria Hill (member) made a motion to adjourn. John Harry, secretary gave a motion to accept and Robert Vaughn (chairman) seconded of the adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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John Harry, Secretary