

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2024 – 5:00 PM
ABSENTEE MEETING**

The Rockingham County Board of Elections met Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Board of Elections Office, 240 Cherokee Camp Road, Reidsville.

Board Members Present: Ophelia Wright, Chair; Sarah Totten, Secretary; Nelson Cole, Member; Thurman Hampton, Member; and Tom Schoolfield, Member.

Staff Members Present: Paula Seamster, Director and Kathy Clark, Senior Deputy Director.

ITEM #1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chair Wright. Chair Wright welcomed the Board Members and those waiting via Zoom.

ITEM #2 – APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Hampton moved, seconded by Member Schoolfield to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #3 – ABSENTEES

The Director stated that approximately 75 Absentee Ballots had been mailed out. She had 10 absentee ballots for the Board to review, 9 CIV ballots (8 with photo IDs and 1 with a Photo ID Exception form) and 1 MIL ballot.

The Board began to review and open the 10 absentee ballots that had been received into the office, date stamped when received, and the ballot envelope reviewed by staff to make sure the requirements were met for eligibility.

Member Schoolfield moved, seconded by Member Hampton to approve the 10 absentee ballots that were received. The motion carried unanimously.

The Director inserted the 10 approved absentee ballots into the DS200 machine.

One of the ballots had gotten wet so the information on the ballot was transferred to another ballot that was the same ballot style.

Chair Wright stated that the next Absentee Board meeting would be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

ITEM #4 – ADJOURNMENT

At 5:23 p.m. **Secretary Totten, seconded by Member Cole to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Paula P. Seamster, Director

Ophelia Wright, Chair