

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
February 27, 2024 – 3:00 PM
Budget Meeting

The Rockingham County Board of Elections met Tuesday, February 27, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Board of Elections Board Room.

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

Other Persons Present: Paula Seamster, Director.

ITEM #1 – MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The budget meeting reconvened at 3:20 p.m. Chair Wright called the recessed meeting of February 22, 2024 back to order. Chair Wright welcomed the Board Members as well as those watching remotely.

Member Cole moved, seconded by Member Schoolfield to reconvene the Budget Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #2 – FY 2023 – 2024 BUDGET DISCUSSION

The Director stated that at the last budget meeting the Board discussed increasing the Advertising line item by \$275. She went through the proposed budget line item by line item. When the Director finished going through the budget she turned the meeting over to the Board.

Member Cole stated that in FY 2020-2021 the Director and Deputy Director retired so that amount is less.

The Board would like to stay with the attorney that it has now and added that it was the Board of Commissioners idea to go with an outside attorney.

Chair Wright stated that she would like to see the approved budget prior to it going public.

Member Schoolfield moved, seconded by Secretary Totten to approve the FY 2024-2025 budget as presented with the changes made. The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM #3 – ADJOURNMENT

At 4:13 p.m. Member Cole moved, seconded by Member Hampton to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.

Paula P. Seamster, Director

Ophelia Wright, Chair