

James City County Electoral Board

Meeting of Tuesday, April 7, 2020

Telephone Conference Call

Williamsburg, Virginia

Tom Gee, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:01 A. M. Others participating in the meeting via telephone conference call were Perry DePue, Vice Chair; Kay Cheves, Secretary; Dianna Moorman, Director of Elections/General Registrar; and Shiela Lohr, Deputy Director of Elections.

Minutes - The minutes of the February 4, 2020 regular meeting, March 4-6, 2020 canvass, and March 26, 2020 emergency telephone conference meeting were approved.

June Dual Primary Election Planning Update

There has been no direction or guidance from ELECT regarding the impact on the June 9th Dual Primary Election of the Corvid-19 outbreak and Governor Northam's Stay at Home order that ends June 10. Ms. Moorman is working with the James City County Attorney on various options for polling places and other aspects of the election.

There will be three ballot styles for the June Dual Primary Election. Ms. Cheves moved that up to 65% of all three styles be ordered, with the exact amount to be determined by the Director of Elections/General Registrar. Mr. DePue seconded the motion that was passed by unanimous vote.

L & A Testing is scheduled to take place on Friday, April 17. Members of the staff will observe in lieu of Electoral Board members.

In-person Absentee Voting begins on Friday, April 24. Plans are being developed for curbside voting. Marking pens will be used by only one voter, and everything will be sanitized constantly.

Ms. Moorman is meeting with the Director of General Services about (1) installing a mail slot in one of the doors for absentee ballots and (2) having more outside lighting for the June and future elections.

FY 21 Proposed Budget Update – JCC Staff reduced or eliminated funding for several items in the Office of Elections proposed budget, including funding for new pollbooks.

Board Reorganization – Mr. Depue moved, seconded by Ms. Cheves, that the officers currently in place continue serving for another term, commencing March 1, 2020. The Board unanimously approved the following officers for the coming year: Tom Gee, Chairman; Perry DePue, Vice Chairman, and Kay Cheves, Secretary.

On Ms. Moorman's recommendation, Electoral Board members agreed to hold a telephone conference call every Tuesday at 10 A. M. until the Stay at Home order ends.

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:26 A.M.

Kay Cheves, Secretary