BLAND COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD

Bland County Voter Registration and Elections Office
PO Box 535
Bland, VA 24315
June 20, 2023

- Call meeting to order
 - Molly called the meeting to order at 2:04pm. In attendance: Molly Thompson-Chair, Brenda Thompson-Vice Chair, Dorothy (Dot) Kidd- Secretary, and Stacy Tibbs Grady- General Registrar and Director of Elections
- Approve agenda
 - -Brenda made the motion to approve the agenda as is
 - -Dot seconded the motion
 - -All in favor, motion passed
- Approve minutes from May 22, 2023 meeting:
 - -Brenda made the motion to approve the minutes from the 05/22/23 meeting
 - -Dot seconded the motion
 - -All in favor, motion passed
- Closed session: Locality Election Security Standards (LESS) Remediation Plan Review
- § 2.2-3711. Closed meetings authorized for certain limited purposes.
 - -34. Discussion or consideration by the State Board of Elections or local electoral boards of voting security matters made confidential pursuant to § 24.2-410.2 or 24.2-625.1.

Brenda made a motion:

*****I move that the Electoral Board and Director of Elections of Bland County convene in closed session pursuant to section § 24.2-410.2 and §24.2-625.1 of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of discussing the Locality Election Security Standards (LESS); seconded by Dot.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Molly Thompson, <u>Yes</u>; Brenda Thompson, <u>Yes</u>; and Dorothy Kidd, <u>Yes</u>. The motion passed. Closed session start- 2:07pm.

Brenda made a motion:

*****I move that the Electoral Board and Director of Elections of Bland County certify that in the closed session just concluded the only matters discussed were the Locality Election Security Standards (LESS), and as identified in the motion to close the meeting pursuant to the Virginia Freedom of Information Act.; seconded by Molly.

Vote on the motion was as follows: Molly Thompson, <u>Yes</u>; Brenda Thompson, <u>Yes</u>; and Dorothy Kidd, <u>Yes</u>. The motion passed. Closed session end- 2:19pm.

- Registrar informational items
 - -Candidate Update

-Stacy informed the Board that there has been a ton of interest in this year's election. She said that for the first time in many years there are multiple offices with opposition.

-She let them Board know that so far all candidates that have filed have completed all the paperwork necessary to qualify. The deadline for filing is today (June 20th) at 7:00pm.

-Candidate request for email confirmation of qualification

-Stacy informed the Board that she has verbally notified all candidates of their qualification, this is the way it has always been done. She has had a candidate, Dreama Hatcher, that has requested an email confirming her qualification. Stacy requested the Board's permission in sending a confirmation of qualification email to Dreama.

-The Board gave their consent for Stacy to email Ms. Hatcher regarding her candidate qualification.

Other business

-Set date for next meeting

-The Board set the meeting date/time for July 25, 2023 at 2:00pm.

Adjourn meeting

- There being no further business Molly adjourned the meeting at 2:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy S. Kidd, Secretary

Bland County Electoral Board

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