

**HAMILTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
January 7, 2008**

Call to Order:

Upon notice duly given, Chairperson Eddington called to order a regularly scheduled meeting of the Hamilton County Election Commission at 8:00 a.m. on January 7, 2008 at the office of the Hamilton County Election Commission, 700 River Terminal Road, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Moment of Silence:

Pledge of Allegiance: Secretary Quinn

Present at Meeting:

Chairperson Eddington, Commissioner Polk, and New Commissioner Joe Rowe were present at the meeting. Attorney Jerry Summers, and the staff of the Election Commission as well as members of the media. Secretary Quinn and Commissioner Walden were not in attendance.

Minutes:

Commissioner Polk made a motion to approve the minutes from the meetings of November 26, 2007. Commissioner Rowe seconded. They were unanimously approved.

New Business:

Administrator Knowles asked that the Election Day hours be 8:00 am to 8:00 pm as per state law. Commissioner Polk made a motion to accept and Commissioner Rowe seconded.

Administrator Knowles further stated that the early voting sites would be Brainerd Recreation Center, Northgate Mall at the TJ Maxx Strip Mall and here at the Election Commission. He also stated that the Early Voting hours at Brainerd & Northgate be 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Saturday. Commissioner Polk made a motion to accept and Commissioner Rowe seconded

Administrator Knowles then stated that he would like the hours at the Election Commission to be 8:00 am to 7:00pm Monday thru Friday, and Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Administrator Knowles also stated that they had 781 workers for Election Day

Commissioner Polk made a motion to accept and Commissioner Rowe seconded.

Commissioner Rowe made a motion to accept the times and Commissioner Polk seconded.

Legal Matters:

There were no legal matters to discuss at this time

Administrator Knowles stated that he would like to welcome Commissioner Rowe. Commissioner Polk stated that she too would like to welcome him aboard and she looked forward to working with him. She then stated that she has asked Charlotte Mullis to provide Commissioner Rowe with contact information for all the commissioners, and that she wanted to say that if you are unable to attend a meeting, you are to notify the chairperson and the administrator.

Commissioner Rowe said he wished to thank everyone and that he was looking forward to working with everyone and was excited to be a part of the Commission.

Adjournment:

Commissioner Polk made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Rowe seconded.

Next Meeting:

There was no meeting scheduled at this time.

J. Bartlett Quinn Secretary

APPROVED:

Dorothy Eddington Chairperson

Sharlotte Polk Commissioner

Joe Rowe Commissioner

Michael S. Walden Commissioner