



BERTIE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Election Day

March 3, 2026

9:00 am

The Bertie County Board of Elections held an Election Day Meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 5:00 pm. The meeting took place at 210 W. Watson Street, Windsor.

Present from the Board and Staff were: Timothy Davis, James Lee, Tammy Lee, Lori Morings, Pamela Staneski and LaToya R. Peele.

Present from the public was Canvass Monitor from Common Cause: Norman M. Cherry, Jr.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 5:15 pm. The Invocation was done by Chairman Davis and all present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Business

Old Business

There was no Old Business

New Business

2026 Primary Early Voting Turnout

Director Peele provided the Board with a Statistics Report listing the demographic breakdown of those who voted during Early Voting. She also provided the Board with a statistics report listing the early voting turnout by site and date.

Approval of Returned Absentee by Mail Ballots

Director Peele presented the Board with 3 Absentee Ballots for approval. Upon review, Mrs. Morings made a Motion to Approve the received absentee ballots. Mr. Lee Second the Motion. The Motion passed by Unanimous Vote.

Election Night Procedures

Early Voting and Absentee by Mail Precinct Return

Chairman Davis and the Board discussed their End of the Night Closing procedures and precinct returns with the Chief Judges. During discussion, Secretary Staneski suggested that an IT Personnel should be available at 6:00 am on Election Day.

Provisional Ballots

Director Peele reminded the Board that all received Provisional Ballots must be reviewed, processed and tabulated by Friday, March 6th at 5:00 pm. The Board discussed this matter.

Sample Hand and Eye Count

Director Peele informed the Board that the State Board would randomly select two precincts for the sample audit. The selection would occur on Wednesday, March 4th and the audit count would occur on Tuesday, March 10th at 10:00 am.

Comments and Concerns from the Board

Election Day Assessment

The Board discussed the \$150.00 Election Day assessment and the reasons it should be reinstated by the County. Director Peele informed the Board that until she receives a document in writing from County Manager Vaughan, she would be unable to add the assessment back to their timesheet.

Director's Report

2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget

Director Peele discussed the upcoming Budget schedule for the FY 2026-2027 and the deadlines administered. Director Peele informed the Board that the Budget is due March 13th and she would provide a draft of the budget for review and approval.

Director Peele requested to include a 5% pay increase to the budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Mrs. Lee made a Motion for Director Peele to include a 5% pay increase

for the FY 2026-2027. Mrs. Morings Second the Motion. The Motion passed by Unanimous Vote.

Next Board Meeting

The next Board Meeting is the Provisional Ballot Review on Friday, March 6th at 11:00 am.

Alibi Topics

There were no Alibi Topics.

Final Comments

There were no Final Comments from the Board.

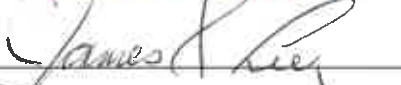
Adjourn

There being no further business, Chairman Davis adjourned the meeting to prepare for closing night procedures at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy Davis, Chairman 

Pamela Staneski, Secretary 

James Lee, Member 

Tammy Lee, Member 

Lori Morings, Member _____