

BERTIE COUNTY BOARD of ELECTIONS

Regular Meeting

July 7, 2026, 9am

The Bertie County Board of Elections held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 7th at 9:00am. The meeting took place at 210 W. Watson Street, Windsor.

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

Present from the Staff were: Deputy Director Synesta P. Freeman and Cherena E. Perry; also, the Bertie County IT Director Joe Wilkes joined the meeting at 9:30am.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 9:05am. Chairman Davis gave the Invocation and then led in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chairman asked for a motion to reorder the agenda. Mr. Lee made a motion to reorder agenda as presented by Chairman, Mrs. Lee seconded. Passed unanimously.

Business:

Minutes from previous meeting:

The reading and approval of previous meetings was moved to next month.

Early Voting Plans for 2026 General:

Chairman Davis reviewed the process of approval for Early Voting Plan citing that approval must be unanimous or the State Board of Election makes decision for county. Dates and times were presented by Chairman Davis. Mrs. Lee made a motion to approve the Early Voting Plan for 2026 General as presented by Chairman Davis. Mr. Lee seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Early voting will take place at the following precincts: Lewiston, Powellsville, and Board of Election Office. The dates for early voting are: October 15th -16th (8am-7:30pm), 17th -18th (8am-7:30pm), 19th -23th (8am – 7:30pm), 26th -30th (8am to 7:30pm), and 31st (8am-3pm).

IT Update:

Connectivity: Powellsville & Lewiston:

IT Director Wilkes gave update on Powellsville and Lewiston connectivity to BOE systems. Powellsville is restored and will be working for Early Voting. IT Director Wilkes had placed a workorder with Brightspeed (Internet provider) to install VPN at Lewiston location and feels that it will be installed by end of July.

File-sharing-Internal:

Chairman Davis asked Director Wilkes to establish a file-sharing system within the BOE office. He said he will make it a priority.

SBOE Summer Conference (August 9th – August 11th):

Chairman Davis reminded Board Members about the upcoming conference.

Schedule of Board Meetings:

Chairman Davis asked Board Members to consider whether a "regular meeting" is necessary every month as we begin to plan for 2027 schedule.

Date to appoint Early Voting Officials (Due by 9/4/26):

Chairman Davis directed Deputy Director, Synesta Freeman to develop a list of Early Voting Officials for the August 4th meeting.

Candidate Filing Update:

Synesta Freeman presented an attachment with updated filings.

Compliance Training Pilot Update:

Deputy Freeman requested doing two trainings during office hours (preferably at 10 am and 2pm) and one makeup training in the evening.

Deputy Freeman reported that six DS2000 ^{Xp55} covers and twelve curbside bells were received.

Upcoming Important Dates:

Chairman directed Board Members to the listed events/items on agenda

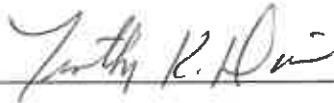
Alibi Topics:

Chairman Davis gave an update on his efforts to reinstate election day pay for Board Members and asked Member Tammy Lee if she could follow-up with Commissioners on status. Mrs. Lee agreed.

There being no further business, Chairman Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:40am, with a motion from Mrs. Morings and a second by Mrs. Lee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy Davis, Chair:



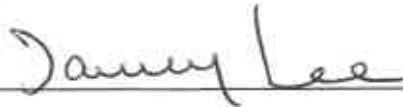
Pamela Staneski, Secretary:



James Lee, Member:



Tammy Lee, Member:



Lori Morings, Member: