Electoral Board Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2020

Susan Beals, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Those present: Susan Beals, Rosemarie Hart, Randy Welch, Constance Hargrove, Missy Vera, Acting Deputy Registrar, Alexandra Reid, Elections Manager and Tangela Kersey, Absentee Coordinator who began her job on December 30, 2019. Ms. Vera, Ms. Reid and Ms. Kersey spoke about the most challenging parts of their new positions.

Minutes for November 6, 2019 and November 8, 2019 were approved.

Ms. Hargrove gave the following updates:

- The General Assembly is considering a number of bills that would affect the election community. One of them would extend the no excuse early voting to 45 days. The financial impact of this would be about $123,000.

- Absentee voting begins January 16, 2020

- Personnel and equipment estimates were given for the March 3, 2020 primary

- We will need to consider the location of the following precincts: Crestwood, Bon Air, Five Forks and Union Branch

- L & A testing will begin February 3, 2020

- The lease for the White Pine location for equipment has been signed. The space needs to be retrofitted to suit our needs. Ms. Hargrove anticipates all equipment will be moved by June 2020.

- The political parties need to send us a list of Officers of Election that represent their party

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The election day routes will remain the same for Board members.

Ms. Kersey gave an update on requests for absentee ballots. There is a problem with sending ballots by email. Ms. Hargrove suggested that the County develop their own program for this.