## REGULAR MEETING -December 16, 2019

On this the 16th day of December 2019 at approximately 10:00 A.M. the Honorable Election Commission of Blanco County convened in a REGULAR MEETING at a regular meeting place thereof in the Courthouse Annex in Johnson City with the following members to-wit:

**BRETT BRAY** 

**COUNTY JUDGE** 

LAURA WALLA

**COUNTY CLERK** 

KRISTEN SPIES

**COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR** 

AL POTEET

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR

**TERRY CASPARIS** 

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR

ITEM 1 - Call to Order and Roll Call.

County Judge Bray, County Clerk Walla, County TAC Spies, Republican Party Chair Poteet, Democratic Party Chair Casparis announced present. Also, present County Attorney Deborah Earley and Republican Party Vice-Chair Carlette Lewis.

ITEM 3 - Approval of prior Election Commission minutes.

COUNTY TAC SPIES made the motion to approve the prior minutes as presented. Seconded by COUNTY CLERK WALLA. Judge Bray called for discussion and vote.

JUDGE BRAY - YES.

COUNTY CLERK WALLA - YES.

COUNTY TAC SPIES - YES.

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR POTEET - YES.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS - YES. MOTION CARRIED. 5/0

ITEM 4 – Discussion and possible action regarding restructuring of the Elections Administrator duties to the Tax Assessor-Collector

Passed with no action taken.

ITEM 5 – Discussion and possible action regarding advertising for an Elections Administrator.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS made the motion to accept the job description with revisions. Seconded by REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR POTEET. Judge Bray called for discussion and vote.

JUDGE BRAY - YES.

COUNTY CLERK WALLA - YES.

COUNTY TAC SPIES - YES.

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR POTEET - YES.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS – YES. MOTION CARRIED. 5/0

COUNTY TAC SPIES made the motion to approve the newspaper ad as presented with the closing date being January 24, 2020; and advertising in the local and surrounding newspapers, those being Johnson City, Blanco, Marble Falls, Dripping Springs and Fredericksburg. Judge Bray called for discussion and vote.

JUDGE BRAY – YES.

COUNTY CLERK WALLA – YES.

COUNTY TAC SPIES – YES.

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR POTEET – YES.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS – YES. MOTION CARRIED. 5/0

**ITEM 6** – Reports by Kristen Spies and Laura Walla regarding preparations for the March primary and possible action to support their efforts.

Discussion about the upcoming election from both individuals, but no action taken.

**ITEM 7** – Adjourn

COUNTY CLERK WALLA made the motion to adjourn, seconded by DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS. Judge Bray called for discussion and vote.

JUDGE BRAY – YES.

COUNTY CLERK WALLA – YES.

COUNTY TAC SPIES – YES.

REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIR POTEET – YES.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIR CASPARIS – YES. MOTION CARRIED. 5/0

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 A.M.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- Kristen Spies to find out if Party Chairs can help with locating people on Mass Mail Out.
- Applications to be sent to everyone by the morning of January 27, 2020
- Next meeting to be held at 1:30 P.M. on January 27, 2020
- Interviews to be held on February 7, 2020 time to be determined on number of applications received

State of Texas County of Blanco

I, Kristen Spies County Tax Assessor Collector, Blanco County, Texas attest that the foregoing is a true and dorrect accounting of the Election Commission authorized proceedings for December 16, 2019.

Kristen Spies

TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR