

APPROVED

Galax City Electoral Board
February, 19 2020, 1:00 p.m.

C. C. Kurtz called the meeting to order at 1:15 pm with Sylvia Richardson, Melba and Stacey in Galax City Committee 1st Floor Main concern was the Galax City Budget and the evaluation of Satellite polling places for early voting.

The Board met and evaluated possibilities for polling areas including Galax City Meeting Room on 1st floor, Registrar's office, alcove across from bill paying in lobby, area outside Galax City Chambers on 2nd floor, and area inside City Council Chambers on 2nd floor.

The Board discussed factors affecting the success of polling in each place including:

1. Number of Voters
2. Research of other states
3. Need to advertise a new area
4. Convenience
5. Need for smoothness in process of voting
6. Accessibility
7. Complaints and confusion
8. Handicap access.
9. Flow of traffic
10. Parking
11. Outside voting
12. Security – movement of machines, accidents, permanent damage, replacement, lock up of ballots, VA Laws, phones for 911, poll workers
13. Cost – Minimum to Galax City, poll workers less than 40 hours weekly, maintain integrity and legality

Stacey handed out revised budget and revised talking points.

Board discussed moving City Council to November to save money and get more voters.

Discussed being present at March 12, 2-2:45 pm meeting to discuss budget with City Manager, Keith Barker and Judy Taylor-Gallimore. We need to be able to present reasons and justification for changes to implement early voting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melba M. Knox, Secretary