

**STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF CARTERET
BOARD OF ELECTIONS
1510 LIVE OAK STREET
BEAUFORT, NC 28516
January 7, 2009**

The Carteret County Board of Elections met on this date for a regular meeting. All three board members were present along with Director Lindy Lewis.

Member Verdon made the motion to approve minutes from the December 3, 2008 meeting. Motion approved 3 – 0.

No public comment.

During December's meeting, the board agreed to continue meeting once per month on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of dates for absentee meetings which are pursuant to state statute. Chairman Henderson made a motion that the board approve the proposed meeting schedule for 2009. Motion passed 3 -0.

Director Lewis presented the board with copies of material provided by the NC State Board of Elections regarding participation in the 2010 Census. Director Lewis requested that board members review the material and be prepared to address the state's request for information at the February 4, 2009 meeting. She also requested that board members review the maps provided by the state. Instructions state that each county must provide updated information to the state regarding voting tabulation districts that have changed since the 1999 information was provided for the 2000 census. Carteret County has had three changes to the voting tabulation districts during that period of time which include combining of the Cedar Point and Cape Carteret precincts, the Indian Beach and Salter Path precincts and the Otway and Straits precincts. Staff contacted Barry Blackburn, GIS Administrator for Carteret County, in anticipation of this request and was able to provide the necessary information to the state. Maps received by the state already reflect these changes to the voting tabulation district lines. The board agreed to review the data and address during February's meeting.

Director Lewis asked board members for direction regarding one-stop sites for upcoming municipal elections. Chairman Henderson and Director Lewis had conversation at a School of Government training session with Gary Bartlett, Executive Director of the NC State Board of Elections, regarding billing practices for additional one-stop voting sites. Chairman Henderson requested that Director Lewis provide information to the state regarding billing the municipalities for the use of an additional one-stop site based on voter turnout and find out if this would be an acceptable billing practice. Chairman Henderson also requested that Director

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Lewis provide information in an upcoming letter to town clerks regarding vacancies that includes projected costs for upcoming elections so that municipalities will be able to budget accordingly.

Chairman Henderson called for board comments. Secretary Day had no comments. Member Verdon stated that she would like for the board to consider combining some of the smaller precincts in the future. Chairman Henderson stated that he would like to know the schedule for the upcoming budget cycle. Director Lewis stated that the first budget meeting was set for Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 8:30 AM. He also stated that he would like to approve minutes from the December 3, 2008 Closed Session Meeting during the February 3, 2009 meeting.

There being no further business, Chairman Henderson adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Henderson, Chairman

Ben Day, Secretary

Sue Verdon, Member

**Carteret County Board of Elections
2009 Meeting Schedule**

The Carteret County Board of Elections will meet on the first Wednesday of each month for regular meetings beginning January 7, 2009 with the exception of the months of October and November. The Board meets at 9 AM (**unless otherwise specified**) in the Elections office at 1510 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC 28516.

January 7th

February 4th

March 4th

April 1st

May 6th

June 3rd

July 1st

August 5th

September 2nd

September 15th, 22nd, 29th and October 5th (Absentee Meetings at 3 PM)

October 6th – ATLANTIC BEACH Election Day

October 13th – ATLANTIC BEACH Canvass Day at 11 AM

October 13th, 20th, 27th and November 2nd (Absentee Meetings at 3 PM)

November 3rd – MUNICIPAL Election Day

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November 10th – MUNICIPAL Canvass Day at 11 AM

December 2nd