



Anderson County Election Commission

Agenda

**Wednesday, August 19, 2026
4:00 pm ET, Courthouse Room 118A**

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Consideration of approval of the minutes of the July 15th and August 6th meetings**
TN. Code Ann. § 2-1-113(a)(4)
- IV. Administrator's Report**
 - **Recap the August Election**
 - **News and Notes on the upcoming November Election**
- V. Public Comment** (Previously approved motion limits each speaker to 3 minutes)
Id. § 8-44-112
- VI. Certification of the August 6, 2026 Election** Id. § 2-8-101(a)
- VII. Set next meeting**
- VIII. Adjourn**

Anderson County Election Commission Minutes

Wednesday, July 15, 2026
4:00 p.m. ET, Room 118A, Courthouse

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chair Jane Miller. In addition, to Miller, Commissioners David Bradshaw, Bill Gallaher, Marion Stanford and Bear Stephenson were present along with Administrator Stephens, Chief Deputy Eby, Deputy Shawn Rogers, Deputy Rivers Rogers, and Part Time Deputy Archie Liggett. Also attending were members of the public.

Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Commissioner Stephenson seconded the motion with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Gallaher made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2026, meeting with a second from Commissioner Bradshaw. All voted in favor.

Administrator Stephens updated the Commission on the preparations for early voting (July 17-August 1) for the August 6 Election.

Administrator Stephens distributed the new America 250th "I Voted" stickers to the Commission.

Administrator Stephens recognized Commissioner William "Bear" Stephenson for the Tennessee Honor Vote program for his past military service in the U.S. Army. Tennessee is one of 16 states that participates in this program to honor a veteran or active-duty service member.

Administrator Stephens told the Commission that he had attended an Election Law Seminar in Nashville held June 29, 2026. Seminar highlights included: 1) Training Focus - on operational readiness and emergency preparedness for natural disasters, cybersecurity threats, and other real-world scenarios; 2) New Legislation and Rules – briefings on newly enacted laws and constitutional updates. Additionally, Tennessee has been recognized as the #1 state in the nation for election integrity by the Heritage Foundation.

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Commissioner Stanford asked if there was a plan. Administrator Stephens replied “Yes”.

Administrator Stephens reported that the seminar reviewed three (3) proposed Constitutional Amendments that will be on the November 3, 2026, ballot, and also reviewed eleven (11) recent law changes to TCA that had been passed. (Note - the Agenda packet for this meeting posted on acelection.com has a complete listing of these proposed amendments and law changes.)

There were public comments made by Sharon Bourgeois Capshaw, Chase Lindsey and Marsha Livingston.

The next order of business was to lock the Election Day Provisional Ballot boxes for the August 6 election. This task was successfully completed.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, August 19, 2026.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Stephenson with a second by Commissioner Gallaher. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 pm.

D. Jane Miller, Chair

William “Bear” Stephenson, Secretary

David Bradshaw, Commissioner

William T. Gallaher, Commissioner

Marion Stanford, Commissioner

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**Thursday, August 6, 2026
5:00 p.m. ET, Courthouse**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Miller. In addition to Miller, Commissioners Stephenson, Bradshaw, Gallaher and Stanford were present along with Administrator Stephens, Chief Deputy Eby and Machine Technician Martin Bauer.

Administrator Stephens told the Commission it had been a good day with no machine failures.

Administrator Stephens informed the Commission that the TN Disability Coalition had visited multiple precincts to assess the accessibility of the voting location.

There was discussion concerning the time for the Commissioners to convene on Election Day. Commissioner Bradshaw made a motion to move the time from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Stephenson seconded the motion with all voting in favor.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion to recess the meeting with a second from Commissioner Stanford. All voted in favor and the meeting was recessed at 5:46 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 7:45 p.m. and the board received the results from the precincts.

After all results were input in the Election Night system, Commissioner Stephenson read the Unofficial Results.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion to approve the unofficial results. Commissioner Gallaher seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

The Certification meeting was set for Wednesday, August 19 at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Stephenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:42 p.m. with a second from Gallaher. All voted in favor.

D. Jane Miller, Chair

William “Bear” Stephenson, Secretary

David Bradshaw, Commissioner

William T. Gallaher, Commissioner

Marion Stanford, Commissioner