



WASHINGTON COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION

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Call of the Washington County Election Commission Pursuant to TCA §2-1-113 Notice is hereby given that the commission will meet **Tuesday, June 9th, 2026 @ 9:30 am.**

- **Opening Prayer and Pledge**
- **Public Comments**
- **Communication from Chairperson**
- **Review and approval of Minutes (included)**
- **Administrator Report & Communications**
 - **Six-month report sent to Secretary of State (included) TCA § 2-12-114**
 - **Total ballots for August – 118 (included)**
 - **25/26 budget and submitted 26/27 budget (included)**
 - **Voting Machine Examinations schedule (included) TCA § 2-9-105(b)**
 - **August Poll Worker Training schedule (included) TCA § 2-4-108**
 - **November 3rd Notice of Election (included) TCA § 2-12-111(a)**
- **Old business**
 - **none**
- **New business**
 - **Discussion, possible action on August Election Day open times TCA § 2-3-201**
 - **Appoint & approve workers for August 6, 2026 early voting and election day, including counting board & any future additions (handout) TCA § 2-4-102**
 - **Discussion and action on a uniform list of names that would constitute a vote for certified write-in candidate(s) for August 6, 2026 election (handout) TCA § 2-7-133(h)(1)**
 - **Lock and seal absentee and provisional ballot boxes/bags for use in August 6, 2026 election TCA § 2-6-311**
 - **Conduct any election business before the commission pursuant to duties listed in TCA § 2-12-116, and any other business that may come before the commission**
- **Schedule the next meeting (June 23rd 9:30 am)**
- **Adjourn**

The meeting will be held at 2516 East Oakland Ave, Johnson City, TN 37601. Public comment sign-up sheets will be placed at the entrance of the meeting space fifteen (15) minutes until two (2) minutes before the meeting starts. Speakers must be Washington County residents and are given three (3) minutes to speak about items on the agenda or pertinent to the duties of the Washington County Election Commission.

Washington County Election Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: May 13, 2026

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: Election Office, 2516 East Oakland Ave, Johnson City, TN 37601

Chairperson: Lori Rosenoff

Minute Taker: Veronica Nuckols

Attendance:

- Commissioners present: Lori Rosenoff, Margaret Davis, Mike Elder, Mike Hubbard, and Turney Williams.
- Administrator of Elections (AOE): Chuck Vest
- Staff: Sheila Hayes, Veronica Nuckols
- Others in Attendance:
 - Dave Vollrath
 - Ed Wolff
 - Victoria Rogers
 - Mike Matthews

Call to Order:

- Commissioner Chair Rosenoff called the meeting to order.
- Opening prayer and pledge.

Public Comments:

- **Ed Wolff** – comments directed to AOE Vest.

Chairperson's Remarks:

- Commissioner Rosenoff thanked all poll workers, election staff, and everyone involved in conducting the May 5 Election for their hard work and dedication.

Approval of Minutes:

- **Motion to approve:** Commissioner Elder
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Davis
- **Approved unanimously.**

Administrator's Report:

- AOE Vest reviewed election turnout, precinct feedback, staffing and election costs.
- The election remained under budget.
- Staffing for the August election appears stable.

Signage and Boundary Discussion:

- Commission discussed improving precinct signage and voter directions.
- Discussion was also held regarding marking 100-foot campaign boundaries prior to Election Day.

New Business

Review and Certification of May 5 Election Results:

- Commissioners reviewed the results.
- All five commissioners signed certification documents.
- AOE Vest reported turnout was approximately 10.4%

Motion to Certify Election Results:

- **Motion to approve:** Commissioner Elder
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Williams
- **Approved unanimously.**

Voter Education Discussed:

- Commissioners discussed voter confusion regarding assigned voting locations.
- Ongoing voter outreach and education efforts were reviewed.
- Discussed future implementation of Convenient Voting Centers (CVCs)

Proposed August Early Voting Schedule:

- Proposed schedule:
 - Early Voting dates: July 17 – August 1
 - Hours: Monday – Friday, 9 AM – 5 PM; Saturday, 9 AM – 12 PM
- AOE Vest noted Sullivan County closes early voting at 4 PM, though Washington County may prefer extended hours.
- Commissioners agreed the set hours from the previous election worked well.

Approval of Early Voting Schedule:

- **Motion to approve:** Commissioner Elder
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Hubbard
- **Approved unanimously.**

Schedule Next Meeting:

- Date: June 9, 2026
- Time: 9:30 AM

Additional Comments:

- Commissioners discussed misinformation, professionalism, and teamwork during the election process.

Adjournment:

- **Motion to adjourn:** Commissioner Williams
- **Seconded by:** Commissioner Elder
- **Approved unanimously.**



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Washington County Election Administrator Report - June 2026

Our office has been working hard to get ready for the August election after certifying the May election on May 12th. The August Early voting period will begin next month, on July 17th ending August 1st. In the August of 2022 Election our county voted less than 10,000 people, a turnout of 12.09%. In the August 2018 election, the last time we concurrently had a contested Governor's primary and County Mayor race, we had 17,942 voters, so I'm expecting about **19,000 voters in August 2026**. Any increase could be contributed to more contested county commissioner races.

Some of the non-daily tasks completed by the office were

- Created Notice of Election for November to be published July 6th. Includes notice of Office location & hours, Elderly voters & Voters with a Disability (TCA § 2-2-111, 2-2-114-A & 2-3-109)
- Completed Six-Month report for Dec 1, 2025 – May 31, 2026, as required (TCA § 2-12-114)
- Max developed training schedule for August poll workers (TCA § 2-4-108)
- Sheila accumulated and organized election material required to do a voluntary 2026 Performance Audit which we will have set up for commissioner inspection if desired.
- For the August election we've received 164 applications for by-mail absentee ballots versus 151 during this same timeframe in May. First day to receive these applications was May 8th. Deputy Steve Yantachka does an excellent job overseeing this duty. (TCA § 2-6-202(a))
- We received the approved August ballot from the state on May 29th
- We currently have one certified write-in candidate for School Board District 1; two others withdrew their candidacies. Deadline for write-in candidates is June 17 (TCA § 2-7-133(h))
- Meredith has been putting together all supplies for all August election voting sites
- Max and Meredith entered over 400 voter registrations that were submitted after the April 6th registration deadline that shall be held and processed after the May 5th election. (TCA § 2-2-109)

Feel free to call me with any questions

Best regards

Chuck Vest

Washington County Tn Administrator of Elections

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6-2-26

SIX MONTHS REPORT

WASHINGTON COUNTY

REPORTING PERIOD 12/01/2025 to 05/31/2026

This six months report is a true and correct reflection of our county election records

Chuck Vest
(Administrator)

Prepared by *Chuck Vest*

Dist/Prec	Beg of Period Active Voters	Beg of Period Inact Voters	End of Period Active Voters	End of Period Inact Voters	Tot New Vid Registrations	Tot New Inact Voters	Total Purges Active Voters	Total Purges Inact Voters
1/ 1	3364	318	3393	304	88	2	58	11
1/ 2	2892	285	2913	266	48	0	28	15
2/ 3	5214	566	5279	537	143	8	100	21
3/ 4	4469	507	4556	480	176	5	78	24
3/ 5	2165	259	2196	234	52	0	20	21
4/ 6	5416	591	5478	556	129	3	78	25
5/ 7	3018	298	3061	282	107	1	54	15
5/ 8	3670	477	3706	453	105	1	58	21
6/ 9	2828	385	2872	370	94	4	44	15
6/ 10	2965	345	2978	328	88	2	59	15
7/ 11	2933	443	2953	423	75	3	62	21
7/ 12	3463	513	3511	494	109	4	68	24
8/ 13	3611	450	3632	431	83	2	46	18
8/ 14	1875	258	1948	245	52	1	53	16
9/ 15	4472	861	4553	805	167	1	85	45
10/ 16	4228	821	4305	774	141	7	85	38
11/ 17	2572	607	2626	591	122	2	69	13
12/ 18	4507	742	4563	708	137	6	69	25
13/ 19	4760	809	4837	791	157	10	97	18
14/ 20	3364	561	3431	542	147	7	59	17
14/ 21	2173	269	2169	247	34	3	36	12
15/ 22	2506	213	2581	205	83	1	22	7
15/ 23	4755	417	4804	407	94	3	56	7
County	81220	10995	82345	10473	2431	76	1384	444

Total Registrations 92,818

Source	Dept of Safety	By-Mail Registration	Public Assistance	Armed Forces	Passive Registration	In-Person Registration
Originated	3332	1214	7	21	0	64
Duplicates	326	107	0	0	0	0

Number of Confirmation Notices Sent During the Six Month Period:

98

Number of Responses to these Confirmation Notices Received During the Six Month Period:

42

May 31, 2025 Registered Voters - 91,531 Active Voters - 83,673

Nov 30, 2025 Registered Voters - 92,215 Active Voters - 81,220

May 31, 2026 Registered Voters - 92,818 Active Voters - 82,345

	Precinct	Number of Ballots for Each Precinct	Comm District	House	School Board	City/County
1	Fall Branch	3	1	6	2	County
2	Grandview	5	1	6/7	2	County
3	West View	5	2	6/7	1	County
4	Visitors' Center	5	3	6/7	2	JBO City
5	Jonesborough Co	5	3	6/7	2	County
6	Lamar	3	4	7	1	County
7	Gray West	6	5	6	2	County/City
8	Gray East	6	5	6	2	County/City
9	Lakeridge City	3	6	6	3	City
10	Lakeridge County	3	6	6	3	County
11	Towne Acres	3	7	6	3	City
12	Freedom Hall	5	7	6/7	3	City
13	Indian Trail North	6	8	6	3	City/county
14	Indian Trail South	3	8	6	3	City
15	Carver	5	9	6/7	3	City
16	Keystone	8	10	6/7	3	City/County
17	South Side	5	11	6/7	1	City
18	Cherokee	6	12	7	1	City/county
19	Henry Johnson	8	13	6/7	1	City/county
20	Woodland	5	14	6/7	2	City
21	Asbury School	5	14	6/7	2	County
22	Boones Creek	10	15	6/7	2	City/county
23	Sulphur Springs	5	15	6/7	2	County

Total Ballots - 118

VARIOUS combinations of ballots

Year to Date 7-1-2025 to 6-30-2026 Budget (11 months)

Obj	Account Level	June 2024-25	June 2025-26	2024-25 FY Activity	2025-26 Spent YTD	Encumbered Amount	2025-26 BUDGET	REMAINING BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
101	GENERAL FUND								
51500	ELECTION COMMISSION								
000	BASE								
101	COUNTY OFF	0	4,598	65,522	99,770	0	110,345	10,575	90%
106	DEP	18,834	-251	244,646	224,169	0	250,566	26,397	89%
168	TEMPORARY PERSONNEL	0	0	0	67,895	0	64,635	-3,260	105%
169	PART-TIME PERSONNEL	2,160	-476	162,727	559	0	9,954	9,395	6%
187	OVERTIME PAY	0	0	0	9	0	0	-9	0%
192	ELECTION COMMISSION	0	0	22,200	22,866	0	22,866	0	100%
193	ELECTION WORKERS	140	0	52,815	23,680	0	35,090	11,410	67%
201	SOCIAL SECURITY	1,145	252	26,717	24,676	0	29,730	5,054	83%
204	PENSIONS	2,422	573	35,930	31,525	0	47,610	16,085	66%
205	EMPLOYEE AND DEPENDENT INS	4,024	3,850	49,081	75,552	0	68,750	-6,802	110%
206	LIFE INSURANCE	0	32	0	192	0	0	-192	0%
210	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	3	0	52	0	0	0	0	0%
212	EMPLOYER MEDICARE	286	54	6,596	5,775	0	6,960	1,185	83%
299	OTHER FRINGE BENEFITS	0	0	0	198	0	0	-198	0%
312	CONTRACTS - PRIVATE AGENCI	65	0	1,783	535	1,494	4,500	2,471	45%
317	DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	0	0	7,369	10,777	0	11,700	923	92%
320	DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS	0	0	800	0	0	0	0	0%
330	LEASE/SBITA PAYMENTS	2,713	0	8,259	2,750	5,150	9,875	1,975	80%
332	LEGAL NOTICES	0	0	2,660	3,039	161	4,350	1,150	74%
334	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	750	0	31,784	31,185	12,251	44,300	864	98%
347	PEST CONTROL	0	0	0	0	100	500	400	20%
348	POSTAL CHARGES (ELECTION C	22,084	0	28,434	426	2,000	5,680	3,254	43%
349	PRINTING	870	0	3,857	1,723	954	3,445	768	78%
350	INTERNET CONNECTIVITY	795	0	12,727	7,177	0	9,768	2,591	73%
351	RENTALS (ELECTION COMM)	377	0	7,612	5,830	773	7,336	733	90%
351	RENTALS/DISCOUNTS TAKEN	-1	0	-7	184	0	0	-184	0%
355	TRAVEL (ELECTION COMM)	5,544	0	12,613	7,576	0	13,977	6,401	54%
356	REGISTRATION FEES	0	0	160	0	0	0	0	0%
399	OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES	0	0	0	189	0	190	1	99%
410	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	0	0	255	403	640	1,400	357	74%
411	DATA PROCESSING SUPPLIES	0	0	82	522	0	1,257	735	42%
414	DUPLICATING SUPPLIES	0	0	0	427	346	1,200	428	64%
415	ELECTRICITY	720	0	5,652	5,246	0	6,000	754	87%
422	FOOD SUPPLIES	0	0	400	266	0	300	34	89%
434	NATURAL GAS	114	0	2,297	2,479	0	2,600	121	95%
435	OFFICE SUPPLIES (ELECTION	0	0	6,975	2,376	113	4,000	1,511	62%
454	WATER AND SEWER	122	0	758	755	0	780	25	97%
499	OTHER SUPPL & MATERI (ELEC	0	0	229	0	0	0	0	0%
502	INSURANCE-BLDG AND CONTENT	0	0	3,080	3,034	0	3,235	201	94%
506	LIABILITY INSURANCE	0	0	13,398	11,996	0	12,661	665	95%
513	WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSU	0	0	2,369	1,871	0	2,800	929	67%
515	LIABILITY CLAIMS	0	0	2,500	0	0	0	0	0%
709	DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT	0	0	8,641	22,173	5,388	29,130	1,570	95%
709	DATA PROC EQUIP/DISCOUNTS	0	0	0	-16	0	0	16	0%
711	FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	0	0	184	0	0	0	0	0%
---		63,167	8,632	831,177	699,789	29,370	827,490	98,333	88%
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July 1, 2026 / June 30, 2027- Proposed Budget to be approved by County Commission 6-18-26

Obj	Obj	2024-25 ACTUAL	2025-26 BUDGET	2026-27 REQUEST	2026-27 REVISED	CHANGE	CHANGE FROM FY26	% CHANGE FROM FY26
101	GENERAL FUND							
51500	ELECTION COMMISSION							
000	BASE							
101	COUNTY OFFI	65,522	110,345	113,248	113,248	0	2,903	3%
106	DEP'	244,646	250,566	247,592	262,217	14,625	11,651	5%
168	TEMPORARY PERSONNEL	0	64,635	129,070	129,070	0	64,435	100%
169	PART-TIME PERSONNEL	162,727	9,954	3,840	3,840	0	-6,114	-61%
192	ELECTION COMMISSION	22,200	22,866	22,866	22,866	0	0	0%
193	ELECTION WORKERS	52,815	35,090	76,200	76,200	0	41,110	117%
201	SOCIAL SECURITY	26,717	29,730	31,839	32,940	1,101	3,210	11%
204	PENSIONS	35,930	47,610	44,742	55,200	10,458	7,590	16%
205	EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE	49,081	68,750	96,900	114,630	17,730	45,880	67%
206	LIFE INSURANCE	0	0	0	384	384	384	0%
210	UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	52	0	0	0	0	0	0%
212	EMPLOYER MEDICARE	6,596	6,960	7,450	7,710	260	750	11%
312	CONTRACTS - PRIVATE AGENCIES	1,783	4,500	6,000	6,000	0	1,500	33%
317	DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	7,389	11,700	16,000	16,000	0	4,300	37%
320	DUES AND MEMBERSHIPS	800	0	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0%
330	LEASE/SBITA PAYMENTS	8,259	9,875	8,350	8,350	0	-1,525	-15%
332	LEGAL NOTICES & COURT COSTS	2,660	4,350	6,300	6,300	0	1,950	45%
334	MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS	31,784	44,300	38,950	38,950	0	-5,350	-12%
347	PEST CONTROL	0	500	0	0	0	-500	-100%
348	POSTAL CHARGES	28,434	5,680	21,500	21,500	0	15,820	279%
349	PRINTING, STATIONERY AND FOR	3,857	3,445	3,800	3,800	0	355	10%
350	INTERNET CONNECTIVITY	12,727	9,768	10,668	10,668	0	900	9%
351	RENTALS	7,605	7,336	6,750	6,750	0	-586	-8%
355	TRAVEL	12,613	13,977	10,500	10,500	0	-3,477	-25%
356	TUITION & REGISTRATION FEES	160	0	500	500	0	500	0%
399	OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES	0	190	0	0	0	-190	-100%
410	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	255	1,400	700	700	0	-700	-50%
411	DATA PROCESSING SUPPLIES	82	1,257	2,500	2,500	0	1,243	99%
414	DUPLICATING SUPPLIES	0	1,200	500	500	0	-700	-58%
415	ELECTRICITY	5,652	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0	0%
422	FOOD SUPPLIES	400	300	1,200	1,200	0	900	300%
434	NATURAL GAS	2,297	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0	0%
435	OFFICE SUPPLIES	6,975	4,000	6,000	6,000	0	2,000	50%
454	WATER AND SEWER	758	780	780	780	0	0	0%
499	OTHER SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	229	0	0	0	0	0	0%
502	INSURANCE-BLDG AND CONTENTS	3,080	3,235	3,235	3,235	0	0	0%
506	INSURANCE-LIABILITY	13,398	12,661	12,661	12,661	0	0	0%
513	WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURA	2,369	2,800	2,800	2,800	0	0	0%
515	LIABILITY CLAIMS	2,500	0	0	0	0	0	0%
709	DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT	8,641	29,130	1,630	1,630	0	-27,500	-94%
711	FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	184	0	0	0	0	0	0%
---	BASE	831,177	827,490	944,671	989,229	44,558	161,739	20%
---	ELECTION COMMISSION	831,177	827,490	944,671	989,229	44,558	161,739	20%
---	GENERAL FUND	831,177	827,490	944,671	989,229	44,558	161,739	20%

Number of Accounts: 42



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Chair – Lori Rosenoff, Commissioners – Mike Hubbard, Margaret Davis, Mike Elders, Turney Williams

DATE: June 5, 2026

TO: Washington County Democratic Party Chairperson
Washington County Republican Party Chairperson
Independent candidates
Johnson City Press, WJHL, WCYB

RE: August 6, 2026, Election, Voting Machines Examination notice

As required by T. C. A. § 2-9-105 (b), the Washington County Election Commission will randomly inspect voting machines prior to Early Voting and Election Day.

During a scheduled Washington County Election Commission meeting on June 23rd, 2026, at 9:30am, the voting machines which will be used during the Early Voting period July 17th- August 1st, 2026, and for Election Day August 6, 2026, will be examined by the election commissioners.

The examinations will take place at the Washington County Election Office at the address noted above.

Any questions can be directed to our office at 423-753-1688

Best Regards

Chuck Vest

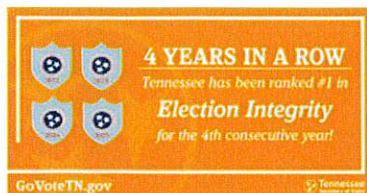
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NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE/FEDERAL GENERAL, JOHNSON CITY & JONESBOROUGH MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

You are hereby notified, pursuant to TCA § 2-12-111(a) the State/ Federal General and Johnson City and Jonesborough Municipal Elections will be held on **November 3rd, 2026**, in all precincts.

The following State and Federal offices will appear on the ballot:

Governor, US Senate, US House of Representatives District 1, TN State Senate District 3, TN House of Representatives Districts 6 & 7, Johnson City School Board (4 seats), Johnson City Commissioners (2 seats), Town of Jonesborough Mayor, Town of Jonesborough Alderman (2 seats) State Judicial retention

June 22nd Municipal Candidate petitions available at Election

Commission office. Last day to file petition will be noon August 20, 2026

Qualifying Deadline: 12:00 noon on August 20th, 2026: for Municipal candidates to file nominating petitions with Election Commission office. TCA § 2-5-101(a)(2)

October 5th, 2026: Last day to register to vote in person at Election office or day mailed application must be postmarked. TCA § 2-2-109

Notice for Elderly Voters and Voters with Disabilities: if polling places are inaccessible, voters may vote early by absentee ballot or at the Election office on Election Day. Voters must complete intention to vote affidavit no later than **October 24th, 2026**. TCA § 2-3-109(e)(1)

Early Voting dates: October 14 – October 29, 2026

Photo ID Required for Voters: Federal or State of Tennessee Government issued photo ID required for voting, unless an exemption applies. To learn more about this law and its exemptions call the Election Commission office or visit www.GoVoteTN.com

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Regular Office hours Monday through Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm
Office closed July 3, Sept 7, Oct 1 & 2, 2026

More Information available at www.wcecoffice.com

Washington County Election Commissioners

Lori Rosenoff, Chair
Margaret Davis, Mike Hubbard, Mike Elder, Turney Williams
Chuck Vest, Certified Administrator of Elections

Counting the Name of Write-In Candidates

1. Adopt List of Acceptable Spellings in an Open Meeting - During an open meeting, the election commission must adopt a uniform list of names that will be counted as a vote for a write-in candidate. Coordinator of Elections will supply this list for multi-county offices.

2. Uniform List of Names:

- List must include acceptable spellings of the candidate’s name
- List will include many variations of phonetic spellings even though the name is spelled incorrectly
- Look for **VOTER’S INTENT** when counting a vote; you must give effect to that voter’s intention

<u>Countable as votes for Jimmy Russell Johnson</u>	<u>NOT Countable as votes for Jimmy Russell Johnson</u>
Jimmy Johnson	Jimmy
J. Johnson	Jim
Jim Johnson	Jim J
Johnson	Russell
Jimmy (Jonson)	J. J.
Jimmy (Jonsen)	
J.R. Johnson	
J. Russell Johnson	
Jimmy/Jim Johnsen	
Russell Johnson	
Jimmy J	

COMMISSION CHAIR - _____

ADMINISTRATOR OF ELECTIONS - _____