

**COUNTY OF CARTERET
BOARD OF ELECTIONS
1702 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC 28516
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
February 1, 2018
9:00 am**

I - Meeting Called to Order

The Carteret County Board of Elections met on this date for a special meeting to verify and certify a petition requesting a referendum be placed on the ballot with regard to the Town of Cape Carteret changing their form of government from Mayor/Council to Mayor/Manager.

Chair Holland stated that as a rule the duties in connection with verifying and certifying petitions had previously been delegated to staff who are sworn and certified officials. However, this was a special request from the Town of Cape Carteret that the board members review each sheet and signatures and the board was complying with that request. Chair Holland also stated that Just as a matter of information this was an extra cost in the Board of Elections budget and the Town of Cape Carteret had agreed to pay it.

The petition contained a signature and date of birth along with the voter's name and address. As the signature and date of birth are considered confidential, the board would supply a copy of the petition with the dates of birth and signatures redacted.

The board discussed splitting in to two groups in order to complete the verification in an efficient time line. Chair Holland and Director Lewis were in one group, and Vice Chair/Secretary Deese and Deputy Director Muns were in a second group.

The petition contained 246 names. Of these 246, staff had approved 232 as being registered voters within the Town of Cape Carteret.

The two groups began the process of verifying the validity of the names on the petition in order to confirm that these were registered voters within the municipal limits of the Town of Cape Carteret.

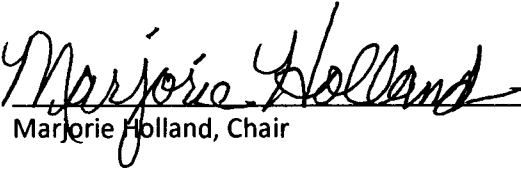
Upon review of the names, addresses, and dates of birth, the board determined that there were 232 valid signatures on the petition.

The Petition Certification Letter and Report was prepared, signed, and provided to the petitioner to deliver to the Clerk of the Town of Cape Carteret.

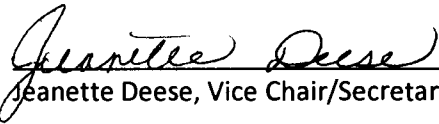
XI - Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,



Marjorie Holland, Chair



Jeanette Deese, Vice Chair/Secretary

Date Approved 3-5-18_____

Date Signed 3-5-18_____