Jackson County Board of Elections
Minutes of Meeting – Absentee Meeting #3
October 13, 2026

Present: Bill Thompson, David Brooks, Roy Osborn, Jay Pavey, Betsy Swift; Amanda Allen, Director

Meeting called to Order at 1:00 by the Chair, Bill Thompson. Pledge of Allegiance led by Jay Pavey.

Public Comment: none

Agenda: motion to accept by Jay Pavey, seconded by Roy Osborn.

Minutes: motion to accept by Roy Osborn, seconded by David Brooks.

Director's Report: updates on the following topics were provided by the Director, Amanda Allen:

1. Early Voting starts this week on 10/15/2026; staff completing preparations; set-up of polling places on 10/14/26. anticipating 50-52% voter turnout with 2/3 during the Early Voting period.
2. Voter registration deadline was last Friday 10/9/2026. Approximately 600 new voters registered since 9/1/2026. Total number of registered voters in Jackson County now ~ 31,200.
3. About 440 absentee ballots have been requested, with a return rate of 25% to date.

Absentee Ballots for Approval by Board: The Board considered, approved, and scanned a total of 29 absentee ballots as follows:

1. Roy Osborn made a motion to accept 28 CIV ballots; seconded by Jay; unanimous approval.
2. Roy Osborn made a motion to accept the one OVR ballot; seconded by Bill Thompson; unanimous approval.

Appointment of Election Day Precinct Officials: a motion was made by Bill Thompson, seconded by David Brooks to table appointments to next meeting since some people have not confirmed with Director. Unanimous vote to approve motion.

Motion to Adjourn: by Bill Thompson at 2:10, seconded by Jay Pavey; unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Swift, Secretary

Bill Thompson, Chairperson