

# BRUNSWICK COUNTY

## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

75 Stamp Act Drive NE · Building H  
PO Box 2 · Bolivia · NC · 28422  
www.brunswickcountync.gov/elections

Phone: 910-253-2620  
Fax: 910-253-2618  
elections@brunswickcountync.gov

---

### **Board Meeting Agenda**

#### **November 4, 2024 · 4:00 pm · Absentee Meeting**

This meeting will be held in the Board of Elections Office, 75 Stamp Act Drive NE, Building H, Bolivia, NC, 28422.

Members of the public may observe the meeting in-person or via live video feed online using [Zoom](#). You will need to have Zoom installed on your computer or mobile device prior to joining the webinar; no registration or passcode is required.

- 1. Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2. Approval of Agenda**
- 3. Consideration of Absentee Ballots**
- 4. Adjourn**

The next meeting will be an Election Day meeting on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at 5:00 pm in the Training Room of the Brunswick County Board of Elections office, 75 Stamp Act Dr NE, Bolivia, NC 28422.

# BRUNSWICK COUNTY

## BOARD OF ELECTIONS

75 Stamp Act Drive NE · Building H  
PO Box 2 · Bolivia · NC · 28422  
www.brunswickcountync.gov/elections

Phone: 910-253-2620  
Fax: 910-253-2618  
elections@brunswickcountync.gov

Date 11/4/2024

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Board of Elections Office

### **Agenda Item:** Consideration of Absentee Ballots

### **Absentee Seal Numbers and Ballot Counts:**

*These numbers are logged on an audit sheet and signed by the board at each meeting.*

<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Absentee Bin Seals</b>	<b>vDrive Seals</b>	<b>Ballots Approved at Meeting</b>	<b>Ballots Scanned at Meeting</b>	<b>Total Ballots Scanned this Election</b> Recorded at end of meeting
10/1/24	37471384 37471385	37471387	215	215	215
10/8/24	36069708 36069703	37471386	805	805	1020
10/15/24	36069705 36069707	36069706	909	909	1929
10/22/24	37471451 37471446	37471447	1330	1330	3259
10/29/24	37471453 37471460	37471452	1791	1791	5050
11/4/24					

### **Summary:**

There are 1693 ballots being considered at today's meeting.

### **Information Only:**

69 Pending Cure

<b>1433 Ballots Recommended for Approval - Board to Spot Check<sup>1</sup></b>	
1224	Civilian
1	Civilian received in the VIP - will need to be duplicated in the meeting
0	Overseas returned by mail or will be duplicated during board meeting
5	Military returned by mail or will be duplicated during board meeting
203	Affidavit Review Pending (returned with properly executed Photo ID Exception Form) <sup>2</sup>
<b>123 Ballots Requiring Board Review - Approval</b>	
46	Accepted Cure
43	Overseas (received electronically, duplicated by bipartisan team prior to the meeting)
34	Military (received electronically, duplicated by bipartisan team prior to the meeting)
<b>84 Ballots Requiring Board Review - Pending Board Decision</b>	
65	Civilian ballots received in a sealed return envelope, but the ballot envelope was unsealed <sup>3</sup>
10	Civilian ballots where the voter indicated that their photo ID documentation is inside the ballot envelope <sup>4</sup>
7	Civilian ballots that were returned by an unauthorized person <sup>5</sup>
2	Affidavit Review Pending (reason on Photo ID Exception Form to be reviewed by Board)

<sup>1</sup>The Resolution to Delegate Administrative Duties Relating to Absentee Voting to the Director and Staff approved by the board on 10/17/23 states that “The board will not review individual ballot envelopes that have been recommended by staff for approval and will accept staff’s recommendation for those ballot envelopes and photo ID documentation. The board will spot-check a minimum of two envelopes and accompanying photo ID documentation to ensure accuracy and consistency. The board reserves the right to review all ballot envelopes that have been recommended by staff for approval.”

<sup>2</sup> Per Numbered Memo 2020-25, these ballots should be approved by the board if the board does not unanimously conclude that the exception form is false.

<sup>3</sup> Numbered Memo 2021-03 provides that when the ballot is inside the executed ballot envelope which is not sealed but the ballot envelope is received in a sealed return envelope, this anomaly is not a deficiency. Staff is instructed to re-seal the return envelope with a notation of “sealed in return envelope” and the county board should open the return envelope and address the ballot at its next absentee meeting.

<sup>4</sup> Numbered Memo 2021-03 states “A voter may respond to a notification that their ballot is missing photo ID documentation by stating that it is in the ballot envelope. If this occurs, staff must defer the review of the photo ID documentation to the next absentee board meeting, when the county board can review the application and, if approved, open the ballot envelope and confirm photo ID compliance.”

<sup>5</sup> Numbered Memo 2020-23 states that delivery of an absentee ballot by a person other than the voter, the voter’s near relative, the voter’s legal guardian, or a person of the voter’s choice when the voter needs assistance due to disability, is not sufficient evidence in and of itself to establish that the voter did not lawfully vote their ballot. A county board shall not disapprove an absentee ballot solely because it was delivered by someone who was not authorized to possess the ballot.

<b>53 Ballots Requiring Board Review - Disapproval<sup>6</sup></b>	
51	Civilian ballot with incomplete witness information. Ballot has been spoiled and a new ballot issued
1	Civilian ballot where Not Properly Notarized. Ballot has been spoiled and a new ballot issued
1	Civilian ballot unsealed. Ballot has been spoiled and a new ballot issued.

---

<sup>6</sup> Numbered Memo 2020-25 states “Whether the county board delegates the initial review of absentee envelopes to staff or chooses to have a bipartisan team of board members review envelopes during the meeting, all board members present at the meeting must approve or disapprove the ballots.”

*The Resolution to Delegate Administrative Duties delegated the task of “Inspecting ballot envelopes and return envelopes for deficiencies and contacting voters as required by Numbered Memo 2021-03.”*