

Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration

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Regular Board Meeting Minutes Thursday, July 15, 2021 402 Hawkinsville Road Vienna, GA 31092

The Regular Meeting of the Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration was called to order on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at the Dooly County Economic Development Training Center and Elections Office, at 402 Hawkinsville Road, Vienna, Georgia by Chairman Michael Bowden at 6:00 pm.

A quorum was met. Attendees present were:

- Michael Bowden, Chairman
- Willie Davis, Vice-Chairman
- Betty Bryant, Member
- Gwendolyn Ford, Member
- Wayne Wilkin, Member
- Brenetta Childs, Election Supervisor
- Jessica Fudge, Secretary/Assistant Elections Supervisor

Invocation

The invocation commenced with Vice-Chairman Willie Davis leading the Board in prayer followed by The Pledge of Allegiance in unison.

Agenda Adoption

The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon a motion by Betty Bryant and seconded by Wayne Wilkin to adopt the agenda as presented; the agenda was unanimously adopted and approved.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes for June 24, 2021 regular meeting. Upon a motion by Betty Bryant and seconded by Vice-Chairman Willie Davis to approve the minutes for June 24, 2021, the minutes were unanimously adopted and approved as presented.

Budget Report

The Board members along with Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs reviewed and discussed the budget report for June 2021. The Board members accepted the budget report as presented.

Budget Worksheet for FY2021-2022

The Board members along with Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs discussed the budget worksheet for FY2021-2022. Chairman Michael Bowden requested for the Board members to be prepared to work on the FY2021-2022 Budget Worksheet. Upon discussion by the Board members, all Board members unanimously agreed for the worksheet to be submitted for approval at the current allocated amounts with no changes. Election Supervisor Brenetta Childs will keep the Board members updated of any changes from the Dooly County Commissioners.

Nepotism

The Board members along with Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs briefly discussed nepotism according to the county policy. Chairman Michael Bowden related his discussed-on Nepotism to the Board based on his conversation with the County Attorney William Gregory. County Attorney William Gregory expressed to Chairman Michael Bowden and Election Supervisor Brenetta Childs their decisions for concerns for the employees in question was up to the Board. There was discussion that the election supervisor's daughter would be considered in violation of nepotism according to the Board's request and the county policy for Nepotism. After a suggestion made by Chairman Michael Bowden, it was unanimously agreed by the Board members and Election Supervisor Brenetta Childs, to have the election supervisor's daughter, Leandra Crowley, removed as a Dooly County Poll Worker to eliminate any confusion or further potential problems.

City of Lilly

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members of the possibility that the Dooly County Elections Office may have to assist the City of Lilly with their election. Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members that she will keep them updated as she receives more information about the election.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The next Regular Meeting for the Dooly County Board of Election and Registration will be held on Thursday August 26, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at the Dooly County Economic Development Training Center in Vienna, Georgia.