

Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration

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Regular Meeting Minutes December 7, 2023 402 Hawkinsville RD. Vienna, Georgia 31092

The Dooly County Board of Elections and Registration Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Betty Bryant at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 402 Hawkinsville Road, Vienna, GA.

A quorum was met. Attendees present were:

- Betty Bryant
- Lee Harris
- Gwendolyn Ford
- Earl Clark
- Brenetta Childs, Supervisor
- Jessica Fudge, Secretary

Absent: Wayne Wilkin

Invocation

The invocation commenced with Lee Harris leading a prayer followed by The Pledge of Allegiance in unison.

Agenda Adoption

The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon a motion by Lee Harris and seconded by Gwendolyn Ford to adopt the agenda as presented; agenda was unanimously adopted and approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes for the November 9, 2023, regular meeting. Upon a motion by Lee Harris and seconded by Gwendolyn Ford to approve the minutes for November 9, 2023, the minutes were unanimously approved and adopted as presented.

Budget Report (October 2023/November 2023)

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members briefly discussed the budget report for October 2023. The Board members accepted the budget report for October 2023 as presented. Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members that the budget report for November 2023 was not ready yet. The Board members tabled the November 2023 budget report until the next regular meeting.

Update/Upcoming 2023 Elections

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge updated the Board members on the December 5, 2023 Municipal Run-off Election. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members of the following:

- Absentee By Mail: 17
- Advance In Person: 230
- Election Day: 200
- For a total of 447 voter for the City of Vienna Municipal Run-Off Election

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge also informed the Board member that there will be a run-off election for the City Council seat (Albert King/Babette Lewis). Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that Early Voting for the City of Vienna Municipal Run-Off Election will be held December 27, 2023 through December 29, 2023 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Election Day will be held on January 2, 2023 from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. The last day to request an absentee by mail application is December 22, 2023.

Redistricting for County Update

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs briefly updated the Board members about the redistricting for the county. Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members that the Elections Office is currently working on the redistricting for the county and that the Elections Office will be going more in depth with redistricting after the Municipal Run-Off Election.

Provisional To Review

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that there was no provisional ballots for the Municipal Election.

Board Members Terms (Lee Harris/Betty Bryant)

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs and Board members Lee Harris and Betty Bryant discussed their terms. Board member Lee Harris announced that he will not be renewing his terms; Chairperson Betty Bryant announced that she will continue to serve on the Board of Elections.

Request For Additional Lighting

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members briefly discussed the possibility of getting additional lighting installed in the parking lot.

Request Approval to have floors replaced

Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs along with the Board members discussed the flooring in the Elections office. The Board members advised Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs to get different quotes for flooring and they will discuss it at the next meeting.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, January 4, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. at 402 Hawkinsville, Road, Vienna, Georgia.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.