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Regular Meeting Minutes February 27, 2025 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 5:00 p.m. on Thursday February 27, 2025 at 402 Hawkinsville Road, Vienna, GA.

A quorum was met. Attendees present were:

- Betty Bryant
- Gwendolyn Ford
- Earl Clark
- Wayne Wilkin
- Jessica Fudge, Secretary

Absent: Alex Jones, Brenetta Childs

Invocation

The invocation commenced with the Chairperson Betty Bryant leading the Board members in prayer followed by The Pledge of Allegiance in unison.

Agenda Adoption

The Board reviewed the agenda. Upon a motion by Earl Clark and seconded by Vice-Chairman Wayne Wilkin to adopt the agenda as presented with an addition of Earl Clark proposed that a called meeting is necessary to discuss concerns about the SOS correspondence about redistricting; the agenda was unanimously adopted and approved as presented with the addition.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes for the January 6, 2025 regular meeting. Upon a motion by Earl Clark and seconded by Gwendolyn Ford to approve the minutes for January 6, 2025, the minutes were unanimously approved and adopted as presented.

Budget Report (December 2024)

The Board members along with Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge reviewed the budget report for December 2024 and January 2025. Upon a motion made by Earl Clark and seconded by Vice-Chairman Wayne Wilkin to accept the budget as presented; the budget report for December 2024 and January 2025 was unanimously approved and accepted as presented. Earl Clark requested an itemized payroll for the Board members.

Special Elections

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that, per Meredith Lester, the Special Election for the Board of Education District 3 seat will not be held until 2026 and that the Special Election for Byromville City Council seat has been cancelled due to only 1 candidate qualifying.

Update Request for Additional Lighting for Parking lot

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge along with the Board members briefly discussed the request for additional lighting for the parking lot. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that the County Commissioners are working on getting lighting for the parking lot.

Update Flooring for Election Office

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that the floors for the Elections Office have been completed.

Warranty for Scanners

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge along with the Board members briefly discussed the warranty for scanners. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members of the cost for the warranty and the inspection.

Elections for 2025 (Runoff * if applicable)

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members of the upcoming elections for 2025. The dates for 2025 Elections are as follow:

- A. Board of Education Special Election: March 18, 2025/April, 15, 2025
- B. Special Primary Public Service Commissioner: June 17, 2025/ July 15, 2025
- C. General/Special Election: November 4, 2025/December 2, 2025

Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge also updated the Board members about the progress of the Board of Education Special Election.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025 @ 5:00 p.m. at 402 Hawkinsville, Road, Vienna, Georgia.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.