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Regular Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2026
402 Hawkinsville RD.
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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, July 23, 2026 at 402 Hawkinsville Road, Vienna, GA.

A quorum was met. Attendees present were:

- Betty Bryant
- Wayne Wilkin
- Alex Jones
- Gwendolyn Ford
- Jessica Fudge, Secretary

Absent: Earl Clark, Brenetta Childs

Invocation
The invocation commenced with Alex Jones 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 Vice-Chairman Wayne Wilkin and seconded Gwendolyn Ford to adopt the agenda as presented; the agenda was unanimously adopted and approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes
The Board reviewed the minutes for the June 18, 2026 regular meeting. Upon a motion by Alex Jones and seconded by Vice-Chairman Wayne Wilkin to approve the minutes for June 18, 2026 regular meeting, the minutes were unanimously approved and adopted as presented.

Budget Report (May 2026 June 2026)
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica informed the Board members that the budget report for May 2026 and June 2026 has not been received yet. The Board members requested that the Dooly County Elections Office send an email to the Commissioner's office requesting copies of the budget reports for May 2026 and June 2026. The Board members tabled the budget reports for the next regular meeting.

Update of Special Election for Board of Education
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that there will not be a Special Election for the Board of Education, District 3 due to only one (1) candidate, the incumbent Minnie Harper, qualifying.

Update of Special Election for the City of Pinehurst
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge updated the Board members that the City of Pinehurst will potentially have a Special Election in the upcoming November Election. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that there will be no cost to conduct that Special Election for the City of Pinehurst.

Update Request (Lighting for Parking Lot)
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge updated the Board members there has been no change in the lighting since the last regular meeting. Board member Alex Jones stated that he would do a follow up with Scotty Mashburn concerning the lighting for the parking lot.

RLA Audit for November (November 13, 2026- November 17, 2026)
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that there will be a Risk Limiting Audit for the November Election. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that as of now the specific date has not been determined, but the audit will be conducted between November 13, 2026 and November 17, 2026. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge advised the Board members that she would keep them informed.

Update of Poll Workers Appreciation Gathering
Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge updated the Board members about the plans for the upcoming Poll Workers Appreciation Gathering that will be held on December 17, 2026 at 402 Hawkinsville RD. Vienna, GA. Assistant Elections Supervisor Jessica Fudge informed the Board members that the Elections Office staff will be contacting the poll workers to get an advanced head count so that we can plan accordingly. The Board members suggested that the Dooly County Elections Office reach out to vendors to see if they would like to donate merchandise for door prizes.

FYI: Upcoming Elections 2026 Dates
Elections Supervisor Brenetta Childs informed the Board members of the upcoming elections for 2026. The dates for 2026 Elections are as follow:

General: November 3, 2026
General Runoff: December 1, 2026
Registration Deadline: for November & December: October 5, 2026

- Advance In Person Voting: October 13, 2026- October 30, 2026 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.
- Saturday Voting: October 17, 2026 and October 24, 2026 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.
- Election Day: November 3, 2026 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, August 27, 2026 @ 5:00 p.m. at 402 Hawkinsville, Road, Vienna, Georgia.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.