Regular Business Meeting 4:30 p.m.

June 13, 2017

#### **SUMMARY MINUTES**

PRESENT: Chairman Dorothy Hall, Vice-Chairman Harry Osborne, Secretary Ruth Ash, Board Member Patricia Pullar, Director Shauna Dozier, Elections and Registration Supervisor Kamardi Carter, and Clerk Allison Ruotolo. NOT PRESENT: Board Member Carol Wesley.

- 1. Chairman Hall called the meeting to order.
- Moment of silence observed.
- Motion by Secretary Ash, second by Vice-Chairman Osborne, to adopt the agenda for the June 13, 2017 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration. Vote unanimous.
- 4. Motion by Vice-Chairman Osborne, second by Secretary Ash, to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2017 Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration. Vote unanimous.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.
- 6. Old Business: None.
- 7. New Business:
  - A. Director's Report.
  - B. Legislation Update (HB 268).
  - C. Voter Registrars Association of Georgia (VRAG).
  - D. Hearing to remove felons from elector's list.
  - E. Hearing to remove deceased voters from elector's list.
- 8. Director Dozier reported the Georgia Election Officials Association Conference attended in May was a good opportunity to network with other county elected officials and utilize information obtained for daily operations and upcoming elections. Ms. Dozier stated she provided copies of the updated Official Code of Georgia and the new board member packet to each board member included in the materials received from the conference.
- 9. Ms. Dozier informed the Board the office is in the process of working on the 2017 municipal elections. Director Dozier explained an Intergovernmental Agreement has been sent to the City of Jonesboro for use of the Elections and Registration office equipment while conducting their own election.

Also, as previously discussed in the last board meeting, the City of Morrow has expressed interest in the County conducting their November election. Ms. Dozier informed the board an intergovernmental agreement has been submitted with a projected cost to the City of Morrow. Approval from the city council is expected sometime over the next couple of weeks. Upon approval from the city, the agreement will be submitted to the Elections and Registration board for approval at which point the agreement will be submitted for approval by the Board of Commissioners in July.

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Director Dozier stated she had met with Sylvia Vaughn, City Clerk for the City of Riverdale and her attorney in May to discuss projected costs for conducting their November election.

Ms. Dozier informed the board both the City of Morrow and the City of Riverdale are interested in having an advance voting location onsite and if the City of Morrow is approved, there will be three advance voting locations for the 2017 municipal elections. All municipalities have received projected costs for three advance voting locations.

- 10. As of June 1, 2017, there are 178,086 registered voters to include 148,197 active and 29,889 inactive.
- 11. Director Dozier stated an update has not been received by the Georgia Secretary of State's Office regarding the National Change of Address Confirmation (NCOA) notices since May. The process is still pending due to legal action and the federal election.
- 12. Director Dozier informed the Board the office is in the process of training for the redistricting of the City of Riverdale. Proposals should be ready for board approval in July.
- 13. Ms. Dozier informed the Board the office conducted three (3) voter education events in May and officially launched the Clayton County Board of Elections and Registration Facebook page to use as another source of information for social media. Content includes voter education event information, pictures from attended events, and election information.

Also, individual district voter information including the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District election is being provided to voters who come into the office. A notice has been posted in the office, to the office website, CCTV23 to tweet, and the county Facebook page notifying voters of the Clayton County Congressional Districts.

14. Director Dozier informed the Board she has been working with the Election Center's Security Task Force to find ways to create a topics library where information on threats to elections can be distributed to election officials immediately and in hopes of reducing confusion with election information.

Vice-Chairman Osborne mentioned an article in the Atlanta Journal Constitution today with some of the security questions that he thought was informative and would be glad to email it to the board.

Ms. Dozier stated she has discussed a threat involving abandoned USB drives being left outside of offices with the staff and informed them not to load the drive on their computers. They should be turned into a supervisor to submit to the Information Technology department.

Vice-Chairman Osborne thanked Ms. Dozier for the Director's report and the format it is presented in.

15. Director Dozier highlighted and reviewed the legislative update packet with the board to include changes per section that will go into effect July 1, 2017. Updates include Presidential candidate qualifying, identification affirmation, UOCAVA ballot requests, Saturday Voting

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during runoff elections, permitting poll managers to manage crowds in public areas of polling places, and provisional ballots. The office staff has been notified and trained on the changes.

- 16. Ms. Dozier stated 280 high school voter registration applications were received from High School Voter Registration Month in April.
- 17. Director Dozier stated the Voter Registrars Association of Georgia (VRAG) Conference will be August 13, 2017 August 16, 2017. Hotel reservations will open June 19, 2017 at 9 a.m. Any board members planning to attend the conference need to notify Ms. Dozier and provide their hotel reservation confirmation information to submit to Finance.
- Ms. Dozier informed the board she would be presenting at one of the sessions on national voter education and celebrating her ten year anniversary with the Voter Registrars Association of Georgia.
- 18. Motion by Vice-Chairman Osborne, second by Board Member Ash, to remove the list of felons from the electors' list. Vote unanimous.
- 19. Motion by Secretary Ash, second by Board Member Pullar, to remove the list of deceased voters from the electors' list. Vote unanimous.

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There being no further business, motion by Board Member Pullar, second by Chairman Hall to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting at approximately 5:05 p.m. Vote unanimous.

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