

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Regular Business Meeting

August 08, 2023

4:30 PM

APPROVED POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Foster Hall, Secretary Walker, Board Member Wesley, Board Member Hope, Director Dozier, Attorney Reed, and Administrative Office Aide Lora Luellen. Absent; Vice-Chair Johnson.

REGULAR CALLED BOARD MEETING

1. Chair called the meeting to order.

2. Moment of silence observed.

3. Adoption of Agenda:

Motion made by Board Member Walker seconded by Board Member Wesley to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Business Meeting on August 08, 2023 as printed. Vote 4-0. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice Chair Johnson.

4. Approval of Board Minutes for July 11, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

No motion was made for Approval of Board Minutes for July 11, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Review and Motion was tabled until the August 08, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

5. Public Comment(s):

Citizens will be given a three-minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Elections and Registration about various topics, issues, and concerns. Public comments will be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Following thirty minutes of hearing from the public, the Board of Elections and Registration will allow the remainder of citizens who have signed up to be heard at the next regular business meeting.

There were no public comments.

6. Old Business

There was no Old Business.

7. New Business:

A. Director's Report & 2023 Election Updates.

Director Dozier informed the Board that as of July 1, 2023, there are 212,599 Voters.

Director Dozier informed the Board with an update of the List Maintenance that was discussed in the previous meeting. The number of Confirmation Notices for "No Contact" mailed out by the Secretary of State is 5,895. The number for the second Confirmation Notices for "No Contact for Two General Election Cycles" is 4,707. The Confirmation Notices for "No Contact for Two General Elections Cycles" will be mailed out by the County with a timeline of August 10, 2023.

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Director Dozier informed the Board that the information concerning the 4,707 Confirmation Notice mailed out by the County will be on the County's site for viewing.

Director Dozier informed the Board a confirmation was received concerning a polling place that no longer wanted to serve as a polling place. An alternative place has been located and will be presented for recommendation at the September Board Meeting.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the Elections Office is in the process of doing municipal street audits and have reached out to all the municipalities for feedback on their street audits.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the Elections Office received an email blast from the City of Forest indicating they are undergoing redistricting and the Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2023 and they plan to vote on their City Council August 21, 2023 to have lines redrawn.

Director Dozier informed the Board that on June 09, 2023 communication was sent out to all municipalities asking if they were planning on doing any redistricting. Confirmation from the City of Forest Park was received that they will not be conducting redistricting. An email blast was sent several days ago from the City of Forest Park to the Elections Office confirming that they are now conducting redistricting to be implemented on August 21, 2023, which is the first day of qualifying.

Director Dozier informed the Board that implementing redistricting August 21, 2023 poses a situation for the Elections Office because it is the first day of qualifying and the work takes at least 3 days to process. The City Clerk was contacted and all concerns were discussed how and if the redistricting could be implemented.

Director Dozier informed the Board that implementing redistricting on August 21, 2023 will affect the Ward lines and who votes in what districts.

Chair Foster Hall asked Director Dozier when was the email blast received and whether any other correspondence was received from the City of Forest Park after the June 09,2023 communication to the municipalities.

Director Dozier informed the Board that a confirmation was received from the City of Forest Park that they would not be conducting redistricting. The email blast was received August 03,2023 that they are undergoing a redistricting implementing August 21, 2023, the first day of qualifying.

Director Dozier informed the Board of the processes that has to be done when the Elections Office conducts redistricting and timelines.

Director Dozier informed the Board of the approvals that have to be put in place before the processes are implemented.

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Director Dozier informed the Board that a Special Meeting may be called at a later date if an approval is need concerning the City of Forest Park redistricting.

The Board thanked Direct Dozier for the details presented to them in her Director’s Report.

B. Recommendation: Call for Special Election for Freeport Tax Exemption.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley; seconded by Secretary Walker to approve the Call for Special Election for Freeport Tax Exemption. Vote 4-0. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Johnson.

C. Recommendation: Advanced Voting Locations & Times for November Municipal General Elections and Special Election.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley; seconded by Secretary Walker to approve the Advance Voting Locations & Times for November Municipal General Elections and Special Election. Vote 4-0. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Johnson.

D. Hearing to Remove Felons from the Elector’s List (if necessary).

There were no felons to remove.

E. Removal of Deceased from Elector’s List (if necessary).

Motion made by Board Member Wesley; seconded by Board Member Hope to remove the 164 names listed as deceased voters from the Clayton County Elections and Registration Elector’s List for July and August 2023 as printed. Vote 4-0. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Johnson

8. Executive Session: To consider personnel and/or litigations as necessary.

There was no Executive Session.

9. Adjourn.

Motion made by Board Member Wesley; seconded by Secretary Walker to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting at 5:15 P.M. Vote 4-0. Motion Carried. Absent: Vice-Chair Johnson.

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ARVIS WALKER, SECRETARY

CAROL WESLEY, BOARD MEMBER

DANNY HOPE, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:

LORA LUELLEN, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE AIDE