

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Regular Business Meeting
4:30 P.M.

February 12, 2019

APPROVED POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chair Carol Wesley, Vice-Chair Dorothy Foster-Hall, Secretary Diane Givens, Board Member Darlene Johnson, Board Member Patricia Pullar, Director Shauna Dozier, Supervisor Shamira Marshall, and Administrative Assistant Brianna Garrett

1. *Chair called the meeting to order.*

2. *Moment of silence observed.*

3. *Adoption of Agenda:*

Motion made by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, seconded by Secretary Givens. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

4. *Swearing-in of Board Member Darlene Johnson.*

5. *Approval of January 8, 2019 Regular Business Meeting minutes.*

Motion made by Board Member Givens, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, to approve the January 8, 2019 Regular Business Meeting minutes. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

6. *Public Comment:*

Citizens will be given a three (3) minute maximum time limit to speak before the Board of Elections and Registration about various topics, issues, and concerns. Public comment 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 was no public comment.

7. *Old Business:*

A. Forest Park 1 Update.

Director Dozier informed the Board that 4,139 letters will be mailed starting on February 13, 2019 to all voters in the Forest Park 1 district. The portion of the precinct card that reads 'cafeteria' will be removed from the card.

Director Dozier informed the Board that directional signage will be required of the Forest Park Manager to post from the front of the building to the polling site to guide voters to the polling location as a directive from the Board of Elections.

8. *New Business:*

A. Director's Report.

Director Dozier formally welcomed Darlene Johnson to the Board of Elections & Registration who was appointed by Chairman Turner at the February 15, 2019 Board of Commissioner's Meeting. The appointment filled the unexpired term of Ruth Ash who resigned at previous Board of Elections and Registration meeting held on January 8, 2019.

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Director Dozier formally welcomed Shamira Marshall as the new Elections and Registration Official Supervisor for the Board of Elections & Registration. Supervisor Marshall started on January 19, 2019 and brings to Clayton County five years of experience in Elections & Registration.

Director Dozier informed the Board that Auntavee Thomas is the new Elections & Registration Official in the office of the Board of Elections & Registration. Ms. Taylor's start date was January 19, 2019.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the county has started demolition of the building to renovate the bunker to accommodate the I.T. Department. 60% of construction has been completed. A completion date has not yet been established. Director Dozier will keep the Board updated as further information is received.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the Board of Elections & Registration office is currently completing pre-election activities in preparation for the March 2019 Special Election.

Director Dozier informed the Board that Logic and Accuracy Testing commenced on February 11, 2019 at the Clayton County Elections Center and shall continue until completion. It was advertised in the legal organ on January 30, 2019.

Director Dozier presented to the Board a copy of the sample ballot and Advance Voting dates, times, and locations. Advance Voting will include all six locations, a Saturday voting day, and extended hours during the last week of Advance Voting.

Director Dozier informed the Board that Advance Voting Training is scheduled for February 18-February 22, 2019 for Advance Voting staff.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the office plans to tabulate absentee by mail early on Election Day. This information will be advertised in the legal organ and provided to the Secretary of State.

Director Dozier informed the Board that 1400 absentee applications will be sent out to those listed as elderly/disabled as a courtesy reminder to request an absentee ballot by mail for the March 2019 Special Election.

Director Dozier presented to the Board a copy of the poll worker training schedule that will take place on March 2-March 9, 2019 for Poll Workers.

Director Dozier informed the Board that General Assembly commenced in January. Director Dozier will keep track of the legislation and provide updates at future Board meetings.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the new voting equipment could possibly be implemented as a pilot to conduct the November 2019 Municipal Election in preparation for the Presidential Election Cycle in 2020.

Director Dozier informed the Board that the dates for the 2020 Election cycle have been placed on the Board of Elections & Registration website. Director Dozier informed the Board that the dates for the Presidential Preference Primary Election have not yet been established. As soon as the information becomes available, an update will be provided to the Board.

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Director Dozier informed the Board that she plans to create a volunteer task force that will assist the office in teaching voters how to use the new voting equipment. Director Dozier plans to create an online application for those interested in becoming a volunteer. Director Dozier will provide an update at a future meeting.

Board Member Johnson expressed to the Board that she would like to volunteer for the task force to assist with training of the new voting equipment.

Director Dozier reminded the Board that the 2019 VRAG AND GEOA combined conference will be held March 24 – 27, 2019 at the Jekyll Island Convention Center. Currently Board Member(s) that were planning to attend have not submitted hotel confirmations as requested by the January 14, 2019 deadlines.

Director Dozier informed the Board that as of February 1, there are 191,775 voters in Clayton County.

Director Dozier informed the Board that she would like to commend the Staff for processing over 29,000 voter registration application backlog within three weeks. Supervisor Marshall played a tremendous role in making sure that the task was completed.

Chair Wesley extended the appreciation to the staff for their incredible effort, on behalf of the Board.

Director Dozier informed the Board that High School Voter Registration month is in April. The office plans on deputizing educators in the Clayton County Schools as well as extend an invitation to local colleges in Clayton County.

Director Dozier informed the Board that Precinct audits, as well as other departmental audits will be conducted by the office. The audits will include ADA (American Disability Act) compliant surveys, street audits, poll and worker training analyses.

B. Proposal of Polling Place Location Change-Morrow 6 (MO6)

Director Dozier informed the Board that The Rock Baptist Church indicated that they no longer wish to serve as a polling site. Letters and precinct cards will be sent to the voters notifying them of their polling location change. Director Dozier informed the Board that signage will be placed at the former precinct of information on the new location as another notification for the 2019 Election cycle as well as for the 2020 Election cycle.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall to accept the location change of the polling place Morrow 6 (MO6) from The Rock Baptist Church located at 6188 Highway 42 Rex, GA 30273 to be sited at Berean Baptist Church located at 2843 Rex Road Ellenwood, GA 30294; Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

Board Member Pullar requested that the Board place road signage at the former precinct to notify voters of the changes.

C. Proposal of Polling Place Location Change-Forest Park 5 (FP5)

Director Dozier informed the Board that Philadelphia Presbyterian Church informed the office that they no longer wish to serve as a polling site. Letters and precinct cards will be sent to the voters notifying them of their polling location change. Director Dozier informed the Board that signage will be placed at the former precinct of information on the new location as another notification for the 2019 Election cycle as well as for the 2020 Election cycle.

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Board Member Johnson inquired on reasoning of the sites no longer wishing to serve as a polling place.

Director Dozier informed the Board that she has reached out to Philadelphia Presbyterian Church and is awaiting response on their reasoning for no longer wishing to serve as a precinct.

Director Dozier informed the Board that a press release will be submitted to the County's Communication Director.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall to accept the location change of the polling place Forest Park 5 (FP5) from Philadelphia Presbyterian Church located at 351 Morrow Road Forest Park, GA 30297 to be sited at Victory Point International Ministries located at 721 Morrow Road Forest Park, GA 30297; Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

D. 2019 Judges Election Cycle

Director Dozier presented to the Board the 2019 Assigned Election Day Judges information that provides the listing of assigned judges for each election along with their contact information.

Director Dozier informed the Board that she will provide an update should any information change.

Board Member Pullar stated that she would like for the record to reflect that she received the 2019 Assigned Election Day Judges information.

E. New Voting Equipment SAFE Commission Update

Director Dozier presented to the Board the Safe, Accessible & Fair Elections (SAFE) Commission report that provides a recommendation of a method for voting equipment to the General Assembly.

F. Board Member Appointment to the Vote Review Panel for the Special Election to be held on March 19, 2019.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster Hall, to appoint Board Member Johnson to the Vote Review Panel as the Board Designee for the March Special Election to be held March 19, 2019. Vote unanimous. Motion carried.

G. Approval of Poll Managers and Assistant Managers for the Special Election to be held on March 19, 2019.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, seconded by Secretary Givens, to approve and accept the list of Managers and Assistant Managers for March Special Election to be held on March 19, 2019. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

H. Hearing to remove felons from elector's list.

Michael G. Terrence informed the Board that he submitted the required information to the office to be omitted from the felon list.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, to remove 2,516 felons, with the exception of Michael G. Terrence, from the elector's list. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

I. Removal of deceased from elector's list.

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Motion made by Secretary Givens, seconded by Board Member Pullar, to remove 18 deceased voters from the electors' list. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

J. Review of Scheduled Dates & Times of March Board Meeting Dates.

Motion made by Secretary Givens, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, to combine the March Regular Board Meeting with the Special Called Board Meeting to be held on March 22, 2019. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

9. Executive Session: To consider personnel and/or litigation, as necessary.

Motion made by Board Member Pullar, seconded by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, seconded by Secretary Givens to adjourn Executive Session. Vote Unanimous. Motion carried. The Board of Elections ended the Executive Session at 5:40 P.M.

10. Adjourn.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Foster-Hall, seconded by Secretary Givens, to adjourn the Special Called Board Meeting at 5:49 P.M. Vote Unanimous. Motion passed.

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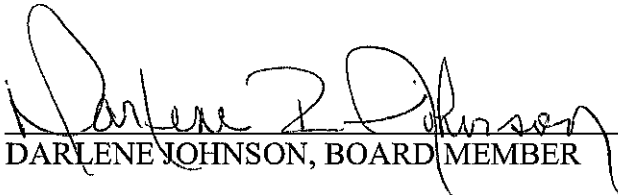
DOROTHY FOSTER HALL, VICE-CHAIR



DIANE GIVENS, SECRETARY




PATRICIA PULLAR, BOARD MEMBER



DARLENE JOHNSON, BOARD MEMBER

ATTEST:



BRIANNA GARRETT, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT