

Sumter County Board of Elections Meeting

July 6, 2021 at 4:30 pm

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Gaston at 4:31 pm.

II. Roll Call

- a) Board Members:** Chairman James Gaston, Dr. Shirley Latimore, Marty McDonald, Rhonda Reddick, and Carson Walker
- b) County Attorney:** Kimberly Reid
- c) Staff:** Randy Howard, Lois Phillips
- d) Guest of Attorney Reid:** Hayden Hooks, from Attorney Reid's office

III. Motion to Adopt the Agenda

Marty McDonald made a motion to adopt the agenda.

Rhonda Reddick seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

IV. Motion to Approve the Minutes of June 1, 2021

Carson Walker mentioned that the place for early voting should be termed the Griffin Bell Conference Center in section 8 of the minutes.

Dr. Shirley Latimore requested that the minutes reflect that there was "no additional executive session needed" in section 10 of the minutes.

Carson Walker made a motion to adopt the minutes from June 1, 2021 as amended.

Marty McDonald seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

V. Discussion of IGA for the City Election of Americus, Andersonville, DeSoto, Leslie and Plains

Mr. Howard reported that all the cities listed would like the Sumter County Elections Office to handle their upcoming city elections.

Attorney Reid sent the IGA to the city attorneys for each city, as well as to Janice Jarvis and the County Commissioners. Changes can be made and approved as we receive their revisions.

Marty McDonald made a motion to adopt the draft of the IGA sent to the individual cities of Americus, Andersonville, DeSoto, Leslie and Plains.

Dr. Shirley Latimore seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Mr. Howard commented that the number of precincts needed will be determined after the qualifying of the candidates in mid-August. Early voting would be held at the Griffin Bell Conference Center.

VI. Discussion of Board members Training - GAVREO

Mr. Howard outlined the various fees that will be associated with the board members attending the GAVREO Conference at the end of August.

VII. Website Progress - www.1Webshop.com/sce/

Mr. Howard reported there is continuing progress on the new website. There are a lot of information, maps and links now included on the website.

VIII. Budget Discussion

Mr. Howard discussed the two budget handouts. One page is the new fiscal year's operating budget that has been approved by the County Commissioners. The other is the final copy of this past year's budget. He clarified that the category of "Seasonal Employees" would include Poll Workers, etc. And the category of "Professional Fees" would include the Dominion Technician, etc.

IX. Training Poll Workers

Mr. Howard described the training that will be offered by Dominion, at no cost to us. We will be sending poll managers to this training, which will be held in the Atlanta area. As well, as we get closer to the November election, we will be having in-house training for poll workers.

X. Executive Session

None needed.

XI. Comments from Board Members

Carson Walker commented that it would be a good time to visit the new high school, before school starts up.

XII. Adjourn

Marty McDonald made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Rhonda Reddick seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Phillips

July 7, 2021