MONTHLY MEETING OF THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS
February 11, 2019 @ 9:30 A.M.
Board of Elections & Registration Office
284 GA Highway 119 South, Springfield, GA 31329

The Board of Elections and Registration held its monthly meeting on February 11, 2019.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING AND ROLL CALL:

Those present were; Chairman Tommy Allen, Vice Chairman Glenda King, Secretary Carla Freels, Board Member Ruth Brown, Board Member Rose Harvey and Supervisor Olivia Morgan and Staff Member Laura Bassett.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. Chairman Allen led the Invocation and the Pledge was recited. The meeting was properly advertised.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

The Agenda was presented, and it was approved as presented to the Board.

MINUTES:

The Minutes from the January 14, 2019 Board Meeting were presented. Vice Chairman King made a motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Harvey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

HEARING:

Chairman Allen called for any names to be presented for a Hearing. Staff Member Bassett stated that there were no names on the hearing list.

OLD BUSINESS:

➢ No old business.

NEW BUSINESS:

➢ Office activities
  • Supervisor Morgan reported that all registrations that were held due to the November and December 2018 Elections have been processed and filed. A backup of the scan file was completed and 12,000 new scans have been added since August, 2018.
  • No new decisions have been made concerning voting machines and the building takeover.
Supervisor Morgan met with County Commissioners Corbitt and DeLoach regarding the building. An idea was presented to have 4H move to the old Rincon Elementary. Supervisor Morgan said that it would not be feasible to move the Elections Department for each time we were moved a notice would have to be mailed to the voters which would cost about $15,000 each time.

Supervisor Morgan said she was contacted by the County Clerk to enquire about a SPLOST. So possible elections in 2019 could be a SPLOST, an ESPLOST or Chamber of Commerce.

The budget meeting for our department will be held on February 21st at 2PM. The budget includes $65,000 for renovations for the build plus monies for more laptops, equipment and staff.

Proposed legislation that is currently being considered at the State House include an absentee ballot mailed to every voter and a bill permitting voters to vote at any polling location within the county they are registered.

BOARD OR STAFF CONCERNS:

Chairman Allen made a speaking engagement for Supervisor Morgan with the Retired Teacher’s Association on May 13, 2019. The contact is Sandra Moore.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An executive session was called at 9:59 AM for the purpose of personnel discussion. Executive session was adjourned at 10:11 AM.

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business was required. There was no objection for meeting adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 10:12 AM. The next board meeting will be scheduled for March 11th at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carla Freels, Secretary