

**MONTHLY MEETING OF THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS**

April 8, 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 April 8, 2019.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING AND ROLL CALL:

Those present were; Chairman Tommy Allen, Vice Chairman Glenda King, Board Member Ruth Brown and Director Olivia Morgan and Assistant Director Laura Bassett. Also present was Democratic Party members Tony Chiariello and Jack Garvin. Not present were Secretary Carla Freels and Board Member Rose Harvey.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order at 9:32 A.M. Vice Board Member Brown 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 March 11, 2019 Board Meeting were presented. Vice Chairman King made a motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed.

HEARING:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

- Director Morgan and Assistant Director Bassett attended the GEOA/VRAG conference that was held on Jekyll Island March 24th through March 27th. HB316 was discussed and we were given a vague timeline for the state to purchase new equipment. The RFP process should be complete by April 23rd. Once the equipment is procured, the state will then have to do acceptance testing. Any counties that are having a special election in November 2019 may have the new equipment to test out. The State says they are hoping to have all equipment out by the 2020 PPP.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Office activities
 - Director Morgan met with Dennis Mott from the department of Homeland Security. He performed a Physical Threat Assessment of our building. Director Morgan felt that it was a good time to have an assessment done so that we could incorporate any necessary changes in the renovation plans.
 - A new biometric time clock is going to be installed.
 - The I.T. department brought a new scanner for us to try out for our registration cards but it is not yet set for compatibility.
- April 16th is the tentative date for the Board of Education's lease/contract presentation for the new space for 4-H. This could allow for painting and cleaning of the space over spring break.
- Director Morgan spoke with Commissioner Jamie DeLoach about the update on the building take-over. They are awaiting approval to start renovations with an estimated cost at \$65,000. Additional money to be set aside for the paving of the new parking lot. Additional lighting and handicap parking spots will need to be added.

BOARD OR STAFF CONCERNS:

- May 13th, Director Morgan is scheduled to speak at the Retired Teachers Association Meeting.
- A voter registration drive at the high schools will be handled by Vice Chairman King and Board Member Brown.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- An executive session was called to discuss personnel matters. Board Member Brown made a motion for an executive session and Vice Chairman King seconded the motion. Session began at 10:01 and ended at 10:15.

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business was required. There was no objection for meeting adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 10:22 AM. The next board meeting will be scheduled for May 13th at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Carla Freels, Secretary