

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

June 15, 2021 @ 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 June 15, 2021.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING AND ROLL CALL:

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

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 May 10, 2021 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. Assistant Director Bassett stated that there were no names on the hearing list.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Director Morgan gave an update on the county's request for the Board of Elections to handle the Municipal Elections. She has sent an estimate for the cost of the added elections to County Chairman Corbitt and County Manger Callanan. It has also been sent to County Attorney Lee Newberry.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Director Morgan reviewed the first draft of the budget and stated that the second draft came out on June 12, 2021. It is no longer shown in the second draft that we have requested a fourth full time employee. It also has no money allocated for an addition to the building.

- The County's salary study has result in a wage increase for all current Board of Elections employees. It has brought everyone to the minimum market wage for each position for the State of Georgia.
- Director Morgan showed the building plan of the Central School complex where the County has proposed moving the Board of Elections. It would be a shared building with Maintenance, Central Records and public use of the Gymnasium. This would present problems with space and security and is not an acceptable move. The Board has recommended that Director Morgan send a letter stating this information to County Manager Callanan.
- Director Morgan gave a review of the Regional Election Meeting that was held in Effingham. She also discussed the pending lawsuits to the current law SB 202.

BOARD OR STAFF CONCERNS:

- No Board or Staff concerns.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- No executive session was necessary.

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business was required. There were no objections to adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM. The next board meeting will be scheduled for July 12, 2021 at 9:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Carla Freels, Secretary