

# PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION

September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024

Board of Elections & Registration Chair Jacque Elwarner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### I. ATTENDANCE

Board:

Jacque Elwarner Rebecca Cantrell Richard Frady Ed Greathouse Terry Franzen

County Staff in attendance:

Stacey Godfrey- Supervisor Jenny Cox- Deputy Registrar Karen Pachuta- Attorney

Others in attendance:

Mari Livsey- KnowPickens Al Cantrell

### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Karen Pachuta led the pledge of allegiance.

### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Terry Franzen, seconded by Rebecca Cantrell to approve the proposed agenda. Board members Rebecca Cantrell, Rick Frady, Ed Greathouse, and Terry Franzen voted 4 (YES), to 0 (NO) to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimously approved.

### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Rebecca Cantrell, seconded by Rick Frady to approve the minutes from the August 3<sup>rd</sup> Regular Meeting. Board members Rebecca Cantrell, Rick Frady, Ed Greathouse, and Terry Franzen voted 4 (YES) to 0 (NO), to approve the minutes. The vote was unanimously approved.

### V. OLD BUSINESS

### A. BOER Website Update

Supervisor Godfrey gave the board a preview of the new election's website. She said the website is still being developed and is not currently live. Ms. Godfrey hopes the website will be live by next month.

#### **B.** SEB Discussion

Attorney Karen Pachuta gave an update on rules that have been passed by the State Election Board and petitions that would be heard at the September meeting.

# C. By-law Update

Supervisor Godfrey provided the board with a copy of changes that were suggested by the board and updated by the attorney. A motion was made by Terry Franzen, seconded by Ed Greathouse to approve the amended by-laws as presented. Board members Rebecca Cantrell, Rick Frady, Ed Greathouse, and Terry Franzen voted 4 (YES) to 0 (NO), to approve the by-laws. The vote was unanimously approved.

# D. Voter Challenge Policy

Attorney Karen Pachuta drafted a voter challenge policy that was provided to board members. Terry Franzen asked that changes be made to the policy. The policy will be re-drafted and submitted to the board for the next meeting.

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Election Day Printer Purchase

Supervisor Godfrey asked that the board approve a purchase for poll pad printer stations for all precincts on election day. A copy of the quote and the current budget was provided to board members. A motion was made by Terry Franzen, seconded by Rick Frady to purchase the poll pad check in printer stations. Board members Rebecca Cantrell, Rick Frady, Ed Greathouse, and Terry Franzen voted 4 (YES) to 0 (NO), to approve the purchase. The vote was unanimously approved.

### VII. STAFF COMMENTS

Deputy Registrar Jenny Cox informed the board that the state training in Macon was highly informative. Supervisor Godfrey said the ballot proofs had come in and staff was proofing those. UACOVA ballots will be sent out on September 17<sup>th</sup> and regular ballots will be sent out October 7<sup>th</sup>. Staff will be attending a regional meeting in Catoosa County later this week.

### VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

**NONE** 

## IX. BOARD COMMENTS

Board members thanked the staff and attorney for their hard work.

# X. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Rebecca Cantrell, seconded by Ed Greathouse to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

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Approved

Board Chair

Supervisor

Date

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