



## **PICKENS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION**

September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Board of Elections & Registration Chair Joe Walker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

### **I. ATTENDANCE**

Board:

Joe Walker  
Mike Carver  
Rebecca Cantrell  
Larry Brown

County Staff in attendance:

Stacey Godfrey- Supervisor  
Rhonda Waggoner- Assistant

Others in attendance:

Mari Livsey- KnowPickens  
A host of other Pickens County Residents

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pickens County Board of Elections, led by Mike Carver.

### **III. MINUTES**

A motion was made by Larry Brown, seconded by Rebecca Cantrell, to adopt the minutes from the September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting. Members Mike Carver, Rebecca Cantrell, & Larry Brown voted 3 (Yes), to 0 (No) to approve the minutes.

### **IV. AGENDA**

A motion was made by Rebecca Cantrell, seconded by Larry Brown, to approve the proposed agenda. Members Mike Carver, Rebecca Cantrell, & Larry Brown voted 3 (Yes), to 0 (No) to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

### **V. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **A. Board Compensation Policy**

Supervisor Stacey Godfrey included the proposed changes addressed at the August meeting in a new draft for the board members to view. The changes included adding verbiage for board members to be paid mileage on Election Day going to and from the precincts. Specifications were also made to the existing wording under early voting to include “if worked” pertaining to receiving one day’s compensation.

A motion was made by Larry Brown, seconded by Mike Carver to approve the amended Travel & Compensation Policy for the Board. Members Mike Carver, Rebecca Cantrell, & Larry Brown voted 3 (Yes), to 0 (No) to approve the amended policy.

#### **B. Public Outreach of Voter Information**

Supervisor Stacey Godfrey addressed the board about the public outreach campaign that had been discussed between the board in May. She said it had been put on hold for the Primary Election and she did not want to see it be forgotten about. Previous board member Barbara Balducci reached out to the media outlets doing articles about election dates and Ms. Godfrey said she would like to see another board member step up into that role. Board member Larry Brown said he would step up and be willing to take the lead on this campaign.

### **VI. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **A. Cleaning Contract for New Building**

Supervisor Stacey Godfrey informed the board that the location of the new office would need a cleaning contract because that county building has never been cleaned with one of the companies who clean for the county. She reached out to both companies and acquired bids for cleaning the new office. The quotes included in the board member binders to see a breakdown of the services and the cost.

A motion was made by Rebecca Cantrell, seconded by Larry Brown to accept the lowest bid for the cleaning contract. Members, Mike Carver, Rebecca Cantrell, and Larry Brown voted 3 (Yes), to 0 (No) to award the bid to Mountain Air Cleaning for the next year.

### **VII. STAFF COMMENTS**

Supervisor Stacey Godfrey updated the board that the new office was operational on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and the Pioneer Road location has been permanently closed for election purposes.

August 22 was the first day the office could accept absentee ballot applications. The office has already accepted 264 applications for the November Election. The deadline to receive applications will be October 28. The first day our office can mail absentee ballots will be October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Early voting will begin October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and continue until November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Pickens County Recreation Center on Camp Road. The times will be Monday- Friday 8 am- 5 pm & the two Saturday 9 am- 5 pm.

Our office is currently waiting to receive our election project from CES to schedule L&A Testing.

We are currently working with our printer on the number of ballots to order for the November election.

Rhonda is finalizing the poll worker schedule for early voting and we are planning on holding poll worker training the first week of October.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**IX. BOARD COMMENTS**

Chairman Joe Walker gave the public an update on the hearing pertaining to the lawsuit filed by Chris Mora. Mr. Walker said that hearing for the motion filed would be September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Pickens County Courthouse.

**X. ADJOURN**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44 pm.