

# LEE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION

## Minutes of the February 13, 2024 Board Meeting

The Lee County Board of Elections & Registration held a meeting on February 13, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elections & Registration Office. Board members present were Mike Sabot, Charles Johnson, Scott Beeley, George Houston and Willie Allen.

Also in attendance was Veronica Johnson, Director of Elections and Registration.

The meeting was called to order.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

The floor was opened for nominations to fill the position of Board of Elections and Registration Vice Chairman for 2024. Mr. Beeley made a **MOTION** to reappoint Mr. Willie Allen as Vice Chairman. Mr. Houston seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Board was presented with the minutes from the January 9, 2024 meeting. Mr. Beeley made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The Board was updated on preparations for the March 12, 2024 PPP/Special Election. The Board was informed another change had been made to the SPLOST election, without notification from the County Manager. Mrs. Johnson has now received the correct Notice and will have it published in the legal organ.

Advance-in-Person voting begins February 19, 2024 and ends March 8, 2024. Two pop-ups will be held at The Bindery and Redbone Fire Station.

Poll worker pay was discussed. Mrs. Johnson will compile pay schedules from surrounding counties and provide the information to the Board.

Board members were informed Mrs. Johnson has received a signed contract back for the Library Board with notes regarding the use of The Bindery as a voting location. Mrs. Johnson has forwarded the comments and contract to the county attorney for review.

Board members were reminded qualifying of candidates for the May 21, 2024 Primary will begin at 9:00 am on March 4, 2024 and end at 12:00 noon on March 8, 2024. Mrs. Johnson will qualify Nonpartisan and Independent candidates. The Democratic and republican parties will qualify partisan candidates.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Current financial statements were presented to the Board for review.

The Board was presented with current voter registration totals. As of February 13, 2024 Lee County had 22,485 active registered voters.

Discussion was held regarding bills sent to Smithville and Leesburg following the November 2023 General Election. The county Finance Director had question regarding why the bills were not sent in November. The last bill pertaining to the election expenses was received by the Elections Office on December 22, 2023 from KnowInk. Mrs Johnson sent bills to the cities on January 31, 2024.

**CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:09 am to discuss personnel issues.

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:40 am, and by common consent adjourned the meeting.

**Lee County Board of  
Elections and Registration**



**MIKE SABOT  
CHAIRMAN**

Adopted

3/18/2024