LEE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION Minutes of the September 14, 2021 Board Meeting

The Lee County Board of Elections & Registration held a meeting on September 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elections & Registration Office. Board members present were Mike Sabot, Helen Butler, Scott Beeley, and George Houston. Angus Worthy was unable to attend.

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

The meeting was called to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board was presented with the minutes from the August 10, 2021 meeting. Mr. Beeley made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Mrs. Butler seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

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OLD BUSINESS:

The Board was informed only one candidate qualified for each race for the Municipal General Elections to be held in Smithville and Leesburg on November 7, 2017. Per O.C.G.A 21-2-291, with only one candidate, no election is needed. Officials are as follows:

Smithville

Ms. Ilean Bady, who qualified, will serve as Ward 3 City Councilman.

Mr. Dwight Hickman, who qualified, will serve as Ward 4 City Councilman.

Leesburg

Mr. Billy Breeden, who qualified, will serve as Mayor.

Ms. Judy Powell, who qualified, will serve as Post 1 City Councilman.

Mr. Jason Renfroe, who qualified, will serve as Post 2 City Councilman.

Mr. Richard Bush, who qualified, will serve as Post 3 City Councilman.

Discussion was held on the release of census data and the reapportionment process. New population counts have been released by the Census Bureau. Mrs. Johnson has had contact with the Georgia Reapportionment Office to start the redistricting process. At this time, the Governor has not issued a call for the special legislative session to address redistricting.

The Board was given an updated on the GAVREO conference that staff recently attended.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board was presented with current financial statements for review.

The Board was presented with current voter registration reports. As of September 13, 2021 Lee County had 23,620 active registered voters and 1,082 inactive registered voters.

Mrs. Johnson informed the Board staff was partnering with the Dougherty County Elections Office to provide a voter registration outreach event at the Albany Resource Center on Friday, September 17, 2021 from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm.

CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD:

Discussion was held on the continued search for Executive Officer Insurance coverage for the Board members. Mrs. Johnson will continue to seek coverage for the Board members.

With no other business, Mr. Beeley made a <u>MOTION</u> to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Houston seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0.

Lee County Board of Elections and Registration

Adopted 10/12/2021

MIKE SABOT