LEE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION Minutes of the August 9, 2022 Board Meeting

The Lee County Board of Elections & Registration held a meeting on August 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elections & Registration Office. Board members present were Mike Sabot, Angus Worthy, and Scott Beeley. George Houston and Helen Butler were 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 July 12, 2022 meeting. Mr. Beeley made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Mr. Worthy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board updated on preparations for the November 8, 2022 General Election. Staff met on August 3, 2022 with a Verizon representative to discuss option to increase cellular signals at Precinct 1 to assist with Election Day communications. Staff is waiting on feedback and suggestions.

Advance Voting Pop-up locations have been reserved at the Oakland Library for October 25, 26, 27th, and the Redbone Fire Station for November 1, 2022. Voting hours will be 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the pop-up locations.

The Board was updated on Lee County testing the new Poll Pad capabilities during the Advance Voting period prior to the November 8, 2022 General Election.

Discussion was held on purchasing monitors for the Elections Office to facilitate the functionality of livestreaming the Server Room during the early processing of Absentee Ballots. This will allow observers to view the process from the lobby area, thus providing a larger and safer area for public viewing. Mrs. Johnson will also purchase additional monitors to facilitate staff meetings and training, such as webinars and training session presented by Secretary of State's staff.

The Board was informed the County Commissioners, The City of Leesburg, and the City of Smithville have finalized the TSPLOST question. As required, the Call for the Special Election has been published in the Lee County Ledger.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board was presented with current financial statements for review.

The Board was presented with current voter registration totals. As of August 8, 2022 Lee County had 22,205 active registered voters.

The Board was informed a required training conference for GARVIS will be held on January 4-6, 2023 in Athens. Mrs. Johnson and an additional staff member will attend. Additional training opportunities will be held regionally mid-January 2023 for other staff members to attend.

CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD:

None

With no other business, Mr. Worthy made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Beeley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Lee County Board of Elections and Registration

Adopted 4/13/2022

MIKE SÄBOT CHAIRMAN