

State of Georgia

County of Henry

The Henry County Board of Elections and Registration held a Regular Public Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 2nd, 2020, held on Zoom. Notice of this meeting was posted in the entrance foyer of the Elections and Registration Building and on the County website. The Daily Herald was notified of this meeting. Those present were:

Donna McBride, Chair and Democratic Party Appointee

Andy Callaway, Vice Chair and Republican Party Appointee

Donna Crumbley, Republican Party Appointee

Arch Brown, Board of Commissioners Appointee (joined at 1:13 pm)

Mildred Schmelz, Democratic Party Appointee

Also in attendance: Terrika Davis, Hunter Hatfield, Patrick Jaugstetter, and Ken Robin.

I. Call to Order

Chair McBride called the meeting to order.

II. Acceptance of the Agenda

Chair McBride wanted to add under 'New Business', the recognition of former chair Dan Richardson. Board Member Schmelz made the motion to accept the agenda with the amendments, Vice Chair Callaway seconded. The motion carried 4-0-0.

III. Board approval of the minutes

Vice Chair Callaway made the motion to accept the August minutes, Board Member Schmelz seconded. The motion carried 4-0-0.

IV. Elections and Voter registration Location

- A. Hunter updated the Board on the alignment of the city precinct lines. He stated that the office had spoken with the City of Stockbridge. Board Member Schmelz asked if the other three cities in Henry County have agreed accept for Stockbridge. Chair McBride stated that the City of Locust Grove agreed to the alignment, the City of Stockbridge is still in the works, and there are no updates on Hampton and McDonough.
- B. Chair McBride presented Resolution 2020-0002 to former Director Tina Lunsford. Tina thanked the Board.

V. Supervisor Report

- A. Hunter went over the numbers for the Run-Off Election on August 11, 2020:
1) Total number of voters- 13,713, 2) Absentee Ballots- 4,627, 3) Early Voters- 4,567, 4) In-Person (Election Day) voters- 4,504 with 15 provisional ballots cast.

VI. New Business

- A. Hunter spoke on the Early Voting schedule for the November 3, 2020 Election.
- B. Hunter spoke of the ballot boxes. He mentioned that in last month's Board of Commissioners' meeting; there were some suggestions of new locations for ballot drop boxes to be installed around Henry County. Chair McBride stated that the Secretary of State reached out the Director Pitts asking if more ballot boxes were needed, and continued stating that Director Pitts did reach back out with a suggested number of boxes need. Chair McBride said that the Board needed to decide if more boxes are need and where would they go. The Board discussed the matter in further. Chair McBride made the motion to look in to adding addition Ballot Boxes, Board Member Brown seconded. The motion carried 2-2-1, with Board Member Schmelz abstaining.

- C. Hunter explained the latest update on a temporary location. He stated that the County is still progressing on the new location and that the County Manager said that she would keep the office informed on every step of the way.
- D. Chair McBride wanted to recognize former chair Dan Richardson. Vice Chair Callaway made the motion to recognize former chair Dan Richardson, Board Member Schmelz seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.

VII. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VIII. Board Members Comments

The Board members made their remarks.

IX. Executive Session

Board Member Crumbley made the motion to go into executive to discuss pending litigation and personnel matters, Board Member Schmelz seconded. The motion carried 5-0-0.

Board Member Crumbley made the motion to come out of executive session, Vice Chair Callaway seconded. The motion carried 4-0-0.

X. Announcement of next Board Meeting on October 7, 2020

Chair McBride announce that the next Board meeting will be on October 7, 2020 at 1:00PM via Zoom.

XI. Adjournment

Vice Chair Callaway made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Board Member Schmelz seconded. The motion carried 4-0-0.