



WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION

Jody Davis, Supervisor of Elections

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WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION
REGULAR MEETING
MAUNEY BUILDING, Community and Economic Development
MEETING ROOM MONDAY September 11, 2023, 9:00 AM

MEETING MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** 9:00 AM. Chair Louise Nix.
2. **ROLL CALL.** Secretary Russell Mobley. Chair Louise Nix, Vice Chair Todd Marks, Mike Mays, Lorie Crumley, and Russell Mobley present.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Chair Nix.
4. **INVOCATION.** Chair Nix.
5. **RECOGNITION OF ELECTED OFFICIALS AND MEDIA.** Chair Nix. Samantha Sinclair (White County News) present.
6. **CONSIDER ADOPTING THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:**
 - Regular Meeting Held – August 7, 2023. Mike Mays, seconded by Lorie Crumley, made motion to accept as presented. Motion carried unanimously; minutes approved.
7. **OLD BUSINESS.** Elections Supervisor Jody Davis.
 - Moving Company Contract Approved by BOC. Two (2) year contract as approved by White County Board of Commissioners (BOC) signed by BOC Chair.
8. **NEW BUSINESS.** Elections Supervisor Davis.
 - Municipal Qualification closed; City of Helen has four candidates. City of Cleveland had only one person qualify for each position; a write in candidate was too late to submit notice. Cleveland City election canceled as result of only one candidate qualifying for each open position.
 - Review Election Center National Conference, Orlando.
 - Review Tabletop the Vote 2023: National Election Exercise.
 - A Poll Workers guide to Non-Voters in the Polling Location. Document attached.
 - Expense Estimate for Hand Marked Ballots, Hand counted. Document attached.
 - Homeland Security Grant Award. Result on Application expected within the next week.
 - Georgia Registered Voter Information System (GARViS). Current version is improving but continues to offer challenges in producing reports. BOER received first batch of precinct cards from Secretary of State (SOS). Another batch of approximately 1,000 is expected soon which should be the majority of outstanding cards needed to be sent out to affected voters.

2022-2023 Board Members:

Louise Nix, Chairman of the Board • Todd Marks, Vice Chairman of the Board
Russell Mobley, Secretary of the Board • Mike Mays, Board Member • Lorie Crumley, Board Member

- A notice was placed by Elections Office to perform Logic and Accuracy Testing (L&A) of voting equipment in preparation for upcoming elections in the White County News (per state requirements) in the September 7th edition.
 - September 19th is National Voter Registration Day. Supervisor Davis discussed plans for promoting voter outreach.
 - Poll worker Training to begin this month. Tech training will be provided to provide one poll worker per precinct with basic skills to trouble shoot most common problems with system and equipment to better support election process.
9. REGISTRAR'S REPORT OF REGISTERED VOTERS. Chief Voter Registrar Derek LaPerriere. Report for August and year-to-date. Document attached.
10. OPEN RECORD REPORT. Document attached.
11. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC. None.
12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS. Russell Mobley requested update on any information on Chair of State Elections Board leaving his position on State Elections Board. No formal information has been made available from the State Elections Board. Mike Mays reported that the BOC is working with County Manager on Town Creek Precinct as it relates to getting the facility ready for the upcoming election cycle.
13. FUTURE MEETING DATE(S)
- Regularly Scheduled Meeting – October 2, 2023
14. ADJOURN. With no further business, Chair Nix called the meeting adjourned.

BOER Open Record Requests:

Records Requested

Please provide the following information:

- 1) Your County Election Board's policy for public comments at your Board meetings.
- 2) Your policy for managing voter rolls for homeless persons, for example, where they go to register and whether or not you follow up over time to see if they are still in your county.
- 3) Your policy for managing OC GA 21-2-229 challenges. Thank you.

Please check one: I would like to review the documents/receive the copies within three business days of this request if the records are available. However, I understand that if the records cannot be produced within three business days, a timetable for their release will be provided to me.

I understand that pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-18-71, I may be charged administrative and copying fees for the cost to search, retrieve, copy and supervise access to the requested documents. This fee represents the hourly rate of the lowest paid full-time employee with the necessary skill and training to respond to my request, with no charge for the first fifteen minutes that it takes to respond to the request. The charge for copies is generally \$0.10 per page unless otherwise provided by law. I agree to pay all copying and/or administrative costs incurred with fulfilling my open records request.

If there are any questions about my request, I may be contacted at

Requestor's Name Karen J Mann

Requestor's Email Address kjmann1@att.net

Requestor's Phone Number 7706550772

Requestor's Mailing Address 3520 Valley Hill Rd NW, Kennesaw, GA 30152 Today's

Date Fri, 08/25/2023

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.whitecountyga.gov/node/7158/submission/4879>

Our Response:

Ms. Mann,

Please find the requested information below.

- 1) White County Board of Elections and Registration provides time at the end of our agenda for public comments.
- 2) Our current policy for registration of individuals experiencing homelessness is to register them at the County Courthouse as per state recommendations. There is no policy in place to follow up with these individuals, outside of normal voter list maintenance, which we perform for all electors regardless of housing type.
- 3) There is currently no separate policy in place to manage 21-2-229 type challenges; we simply follow the law as laid out in 21-2-229. The process would begin by first verifying the person making the challenge is an elector of White County, once that is confirmed we would then schedule the hearing if deemed warranted.