

**MONTHLY MEETING OF THE EFFINGHAM COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS**

May 14, 2018 @ 9:30 A.M.

**Board of Elections & Registration Office
284 GA Highway 119 South, Springfield, GA 31329**

The Board of Elections and Registration held its monthly meeting on May 14, 2018.

PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING AND ROLL CALL:

Those present were; Chairman Tommy Allen, Vice Chairman Glenda King, Secretary Carla Freels, Board Member Ruth Brown, Board Member Rose Harvey, Supervisor Olivia Morgan, and Staff Member Laura Bassett.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Allen called the meeting to order at 9:32 A.M. Chairman Allen led the Invocation and the Pledge was recited. The meeting was properly advertised.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

The Agenda was presented, and it was approved as presented to the Board.

MINUTES:

The Minutes from the April 9, 2018 Board Meeting were presented. Board Member Brown made a motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Harvey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

HEARING:

Chairman Allen called for any names to be presented for a Hearing. Staff Member Laura Bassett stated that there were no names on the hearing list.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Morgan gave a report on Advanced Voting. There were 344 voters so far. The Old Marlow location had 29 voters on Saturday and the Office had 30. Absentee by mail has 58 ballots requested and 25 returned. Early voting will end at 5 PM on Friday.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Supervisor Morgan gave a review of office activities.
 - L&A is complete.
 - We have received a very late order of our election supplies from the SOS office. Packing is complete.
 - Poll Worker training is finished. We currently have 5 standby workers. All polls are staffed. We are still seeking election night helpers.

- The Effingham Herald published a full page ad, free of charge, two weeks in a row of our composite ballot.
- Supervisor Morgan will have to go to the Elections Office in Statesboro to pick up the express poll memory cards.
- Election night assignments were given. Board Members Brown and Harvey will be used for the vote review panel. Vice Chairman King will collect the memory cards and Chairman Allen will assist as necessary.
- Certification will take place on May 29th at 2:00 pm at a special call meeting. Secretary Freels will not be able to attend.
- The run-off (if necessary) will be held on July 24th. Office staff is already prepping supplies. Old Marlow will not be open for early voting. Early voting at the Office will begin on July 2nd and it will end on July 20th. There will be no Saturday voting. Rollover ballots for voters by mail will be out by June 8th. Certification will be July 30th.

BOARD OR STAFF CONCERNS:

- Supervisor Morgan gave an update on the Ethics Special Call meeting on the matter of Troy Alford and Vickie Decker. Troy Alford was fined for being a non-filer. He was fined \$825 as a civil penalty for not filing his CCDRs and a \$300 civil penalty for not filing his PFDs. He was also fined \$875 *in supra* for a total of \$2000. Vickie Decker was given a \$125 fine for late filing of a PFD report. She was not assessed any civil penalties.
- A motion was made by Secretary Freels that the bylaws be changed to set the monthly meeting time to 9:30 instead of 8:30. Board member Harvey seconded the motion. Motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- No Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

No further business was required. There was no objection for meeting adjournment. Meeting was adjourned at 10:13 AM. The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be scheduled for June 14, 2018 at 9:30 AM. In addition a Special Called Meeting will be held to Certify the May 22, 2018 Election Results on May 29th at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:



Carla Freels, Secretary