



Hall County Government

ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION

BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

MINUTES

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022
3:30 PM

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BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Dr. Tom Smiley, Chairman
Mrs. Gala Sheats, Vice Chair
Mr. Ken Cochran, Member
Mr. Craig Lutz, Member
Mr. David Kennedy, Member

- Declaration of a Quorum Present **QUORUM PRESENT.**
- Call to Order (Roll Call) **MEMBER KENNEDY IS NOT PRESENT.**
- Pledge to the United States Flag
- Adoption of Agenda **VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA STRIKING BUSINESS ITEM "C". MEMBER SHEATS MADE A SECOND. VOTE TIED 2 YES/NO. MOTION DOES NOT PASS.**
CHAIRMAN SMILEY MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS WRITTEN. MEMBER COCHRAN MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.
- Approval of Minutes from JANUARY 4, 2022 Meeting. **VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. MEMBER SHEATS MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**
- Public Comments specific to items ON the agenda- Comments may be made in one of the Public Comments opportunities and shall be held to 3 minutes. Comments shall be addressed directly to the Chairman with no assured response from the Chairman or Board members during the time of public comments. **NO PUBLIC COMMENT.**
- Directors Update:
- Business:
 - a. Appointment of new Vice Chair **VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION FOR MEMBER SHEATS TO BECOME THE NEW VICE CHAIR. MEMBER COCHRAN MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**
 - b. Discuss and approve Call of Special Election for Flowery Branch **VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CALL. MEMBER COCHRAN MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

- c. Motion: To present to Local State Delegation an alternative Amendment to Board of Elections Enabling Legislation.
CHAIRMAN SMILEY MADE A MOTION TO PRESENT ALTERNATIVE AMENDMENT OF OUR ENABLING LEGISLATION TO THE BOARD AT A FUTURE DATE. MEMBER SHEATS MADE A SECOND. VOTES TIED 2 YES/NO. MOTION DOES NOT PASS. VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION TO RETAIN KEN JARRARD AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE TO SEND FORMAL LETTER TO THE LOCAL DELEGATION CONCERNING THE ALLEGATION THE COUNTY COMMISSION MADE CONCERNING OUR CONSTITUTIONAL MAKE UP. MEMBER SHEATS MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.
- d. Motion: Special called Board of Elections meeting to discuss Alternative Amendment to Board of Elections Enabling Legislation.-**VICE CHAIR MADE A MOTION TO STRIKE ITEM “d” FROM THE AGENDA. MEMBER COCHRAN MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

- Public Comments specific to items NOT on the agenda- **Comments may be made in one of the Public Comments opportunities and shall be held to 3 minutes.** Comments shall be addressed directly to the Chairman with no assured response from the Chairman or Board members during the time of public comments. **NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.**
- Comments from the Board and Chairman
- Confirmation of next Meeting. MARCH 8, 2022 **CONFIRMED.**
- Executive Session (if needed) Discussion regarding land acquisition, land disposition, personnel matters, potential litigations and/or litigation. *Executive Session is not open to the public. Executive Session is a lawfully closed meeting.* [§50-14-1(a) (2)] **VICE CHAIR LUTZ MADE A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONAL MATTERS. MEMBER SHEATS MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE AT 408 PM. RETURNED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 415 PM.
- Adjourn **MEMBER SHEATS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 416PM CHAIRMAN SMILEY MADE A SECOND. UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**