FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION

ACTION OF AGENDA

June 3, 2014 (MAY)

Board Members Present: Addison Lester, Chairman

Darryl Hicks Marilyn Watts

Staff Present: Tom Sawyer, Elections Supervisor

April Crosby, Elections Officer

Beverly Westmoreland, Elections Clerk

Others in Attendance: Bill Ewing

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lester called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. with all members present.

B. APPROVAL OF RESCHEDULED MAY MEETING

Supervisor Sawyer told the Board that the rescheduling of the May 27, 2014 Board of Elections meeting to June 3, 2014 had been posted in the newspaper.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Supervisor Sawyer said he had made 3 changes (which he explained to the Board) to the agenda he had previously emailed to the Board. Chairman Lester made motion to approve the agenda as amended. Member Hicks seconded. **Motion carried.**

D. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF FAYETTE COUNTY ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION BOARD

Member Hicks made motion to elect Member Watts as chairman. Member Watts seconded. **Motion carried.**

At this point, Member Watts assumed the position of Chairman of the Board of Elections.

E. HEARING – DECEASED FAYETTE COUNTY VOTERS

After perusal of the list of deceased voters as presented by Officer Crosby to the Board, Member Lester made motion to approve the list of deceased voters to be cancelled from voting records. Member Hicks seconded. **Motion carried.**

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD MINUTES: APRIL 22, 2014 (APRIL)

Member Hicks made motion to approve the Board Minutes from April 22, 2014. Member Lester seconded. **Motion carried.**

G. NEW BUSINESS

2. REVIEW OF GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS – OFFCIAL AND COMPLETE

Supervisor Sawyer spoke to the Board about the election results. He discussed with the Board what the Election Code mandates when a run-off candidate drops out of the race. Since the runoff candidate for the Board of Education in District 4, John Kimball, has withdrawn from the race, Jane Owens, who is the next runner-up, will face Diane Basham in the runoff.

3. APPROVAL OF POLL WORKERS – JULY 22, 2014

A list of the poll workers was provided to the Board. Supervisor Sawyer told the Board there would not be any additional training for the July 22, 2014 runoff.

It was agreed there would be more discussion of the list of poll workers at the next Board meeting on June 24, 2014.

4. REVIEW FY 2015 BUDGET – TO BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – BUDGET CALENDAR

There was discussion by the Board of the 2015 Budget. Supervisor Sawyer noted to the Board that \$28,000 had been added to the budget for workman's compensation.

5. EASY FILE APPROVAL – REQUEST TO GO AHEAD AND ACQUIRE – TO BE FUNDED IN NEW BUDGET YEAR

Chairman Watts asked if the Easy File software program had been approved. Supervisor Sawyer reported that the County Administrator has approved and forwarded to the Board of Commissioners on Wednesday, June 5, 2015. The final decision by the Board of Commissioner will be made on June 26, 2014 when the final budget is approved.

Member Lester indicated that perhaps training could occur before the actual approval of the funding for this purchase. There was discussion about training sessions for elected officials to be conducted by Ron Davis who is the vendor of Sivad Business Solutions. Chairman Watts asked that the Board be notified when these training sessions occur and Supervisor Sawyer said he will let the Board know.

6. LUNCH AND LEARN WITH MANAGERS TO REVIEW ELECTIONS EXCEPTIONS

Supervisor Sawyer spoke to the Board about some issues with poll managers. There was further discussion among the Board members about issues and procedures that occurred on election day that need to be addressed.

Chairman Watts asked when a meeting with the managers will be held to go over concerns and issues. Supervisor Sawyer will work on this and advise the Board when this will occur.

7. STATUS OF BRENDA JONES

Supervisor Sawyer told the Board he does not have any information for the Board regarding her temporary medical leave.

Supervisor Sawyer apprised the Board regarding the temporary workers in the Absentee Department who will be handling mailing the ballots out to the UOCAVA voters by June 7, 2014.

8. GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION RUNOFF

- CANDIDATES TO RUNOFF
- ADVANCED VOTING RUNOFF: FAYETTE ELECTIONS OFFICE JUNE 30, 2014
 PEACHTREE CITY LIBRARY JULY 14, 2014
 TYRONE TOWN HALL JULY 14, 2014
- APPROVAL TO REASSIGN PRECINCT #11 TO VOTE AT PRECINCT #20 FOR RUNOFF

Supervisor Sawyer told the Board June 30, 2014 is the first day of advanced voting and will continue through July 18, 2014 in the Elections Office. In addition, advanced voting will be held for one week only at the Peachtree City Library and the Tyrone Town Hall beginning on July 14, 2014 through July 18, 2014. There will be no Saturday voting in accordance with State Election Code for runoff elections.

Member Hicks made motion to approve the schedule and facilities set for the runoff. Member Lester seconded. **Motion carried**.

9. STATE ELECTON BOARD – JUNE 10, 2014

Chairman Watts showed the Board a copy of an email she had received from Chris Harvey who is Chief Investigator for the State Election Board. The letter stated there was no evidence that she had committed a violation and therefore has not been cited for any violation.

Chairman Watts and Supervisor Sawyer plan to attend the State Election Board meeting on June 10, 2014.

H. OTHER BUSINESS

Member Lester commented on training of poll workers that he had observed in the Public Meeting Room. He suggested that the screens could be utilized and the technology was in place to help facilitate training of poll workers.

I. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was none.

J. OTHER ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There was none.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Member Lester made motion to adjourn and Member Hicks seconded at approximately 6:00 P.M. **Motion carried.**

The next Board meeting (JUNE) will be held June 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.