BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, August 1, 2023

The August 1, 2023 meeting of the Houston County Board of Elections was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Henry Childs.

Members of the Board Present:

Henry Childs, Chairman

Pamela Morgan, Vice Chair

Sherman Falana

Member(s) of the Board Absent: Andrew Bennett, Katherine Shelton

Member(s) of the Staff Present: Debra Presswood, Registration/Election Supervisor

Visitor(s): Kim Trust, David Ellerbrock, Florence Brown, Zaire Brown

Chairman Henry Childs called for the approval of the August 1, 2023 agenda. A motion was made by Pamela Morgan and seconded by Sherman Falana to approve the August 1, 2023 agenda. The motion carried.

Chairman Henry Childs called for the approval of the July 11, 2023 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Sherman Falana and seconded by Pamela Morgan to approve the July 11, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

REGISTRATION/ELECTION SUPERVISOR REPORT:

Board Members will be issued an election day supply box. The box will have Election Day signage and various non-essential items used at polling locations (notepads, pens, I voted stickers, return- to- work pads). These are extra items that may be needed at polling locations.

Board Members were given the following reports:

- August 1, 2023 Agenda
- July 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- Registration Numbers as of August 1, 2023
- Overview of NGE (No Activity for two General Elections) Mailings

Old Business:

The Secretary of State office mailed the NGE (No Activity for two General Elections) notices. Voters that have inactive status through two general elections are subject to be removed from the voter list. If the voter does not complete and return the notice within 40-days and has not made contact, the voter will be moved to Cancelled status for reason NGE. This process is referred to as no activity for two general elections (NGE).

The postage paid notice can be used by the voter to update their address and mail back to prevent being removed from the voter list. Any activity that updates the last contact date of the voter's record will remove the record from the NGE process and stop the clock for that voter.

A voter cancelled through this process is eligible to re-register to vote. The voter must re-register within 30 days of the upcoming election to be eligible to vote in that election.

The Secretary of State print vendor has begun shipping NCOA (National Change of Address) notices to local offices. The counties are responsible for postage and dropping notices in mail on August 10, 2023.

New Business:

Parallel Monitoring – designed to deter individual from attempting to illegally access voting equipment and detect if any illegal access has occurred. Secretary of State designees will work with counties. Ballot Marking Devices (BMD) will be randomly picked for testing.

The next board meeting will be September 5, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn by Pamela Morgan, seconded by Sherman Falana. The meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Henry Childs, Chairman September 5, 2023

Debra Presswood, Secretary

This meeting was conducted in accordance with the Georgia Meeting Provisions of Title 50, Chapter 14 of Georgia Code.