# SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

# **500 WEST LAMAR STREET**

# SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM

AMERICUS, GEORGIA 31709 TUESDAY, May 7, 2024

4:30 PM

# I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dr. Shirley Latimore.

#### II. ROLL CALL

#### A. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dr. Shirley Latimore, Mr. Carson Walker, Dr. Valerie Roberts, Mr. Randy Howard by phone arriving at 4:58 pm

# **B. STAFF PRESENT**

Election Supervisor LaSandra Patterson, Addie Bryant to take the minutes. Hayden Hooks- County Attorney

# III. MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mr. Walker made a motion to amend the agenda to discuss the unauthorized Facebook logo.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Roberts
The motion passed

# IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- April 2, 2024

The April 2, 2024 minutes were approved

#### V. HEARING: CHALLENGING RESIDENCY

A. A complaint was made through the GA Secretary of State Office, the Election Office was notified and did a thorough research. The elector was given a change of address form and will not be able to vote in the May 21, 2024 election due to GA Election code 21-2-218 and 21-2-224.

# VI. CHAIRPERSON HIGHLIGHTS

Dr. Latimore informed the board of the possibility of the Election office moving into the National Guard Building which would also be used as the Advance voting Precinct.

# VII. 2024 ELECTION UPDATE

Mrs. Patterson informed the board of the number of registered voters in Sumter County is 19183. Supervisor Patterson reminded the board that Advance voting started on April 29-May 17, 2024 and Saturday voting is May 4 and May 11, 2024, 9 am to 5 pm. So far there have been 293 voters that have voted early, 197 absentee ballots were mailed with 46 being returned and accepted. The deadline to request absentee ballots is this Friday, May 10, 2024 for the May 21, 2024 General Primary/ Non-Partisan election. Voter were informed about the election by the local radio station, newspaper, flyers, the Sumter County Election Office website and Sumter County GA Board of Elections Facebook page. The certification of returns will be May 28, 2024 and the RLA Audit is May 30, 2024.

# VIII. APRIL 2024 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION

The April expenditure transaction was reviewed.

# IX. PRECINCT UPDATE

The image Mr. Walker called a logo was brought up for discussion. A motion was made to table the discussion about the image at the next election board meeting.

Motion by Mr. Walker Second by Mr. Howard The motion failed

# X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Not needed

# XI. BOARD MEMBERS REMARKS

# XII. ADJOURNED

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 pm