

**SUMTR COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA
500 WEST LAMAR STREET
SUMTER COUNTY BOC MEETING ROOM
AMERICUS, GEORGIA 31709
TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 @ 4:00 PM**

I. CALLED TO ORDER by Randy Howard at 4:00 PM

II. ROLL CALL

- A. BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Randy Howard, Carson Walker, Lindsey Edge, Lynn Bailey,
- B. STAFF PRESENT: LaSandra Patterson, Elizabeth Robinson, Anniya Barron

C. ATTORNEY: Hayden Hooks

III. MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA

Lindsey Edge offered the motion to adopt the agenda, and Carson Walker seconded. The agenda was adopted with an addition of Carson Walker request to discuss the regional meeting.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM August 4, 2026

All voted to approve.

V. EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION REPORT

Supervisor LaSandra Patterson provided the board with copies of the expenditure report and led a brief discussion.

VI. SUPERVISOR ELECTION UPDATE

LaSandra Patterson made the following report:

- There are 18,990 active and inactive voters showing in the system
- Since the closing of the School Board qualifying, there has been one candidate to withdraw from the race. A notarized copy of withdrawal was submitted to the voter registration office.
- The city of Plains has decided to hold off on their election until March of 2027. There was inaccurate information given for the one person who qualified. The candidate was not verified through the Election office concerning their address.
- The ballot proofs were sent out this morning.
- The Recall application for the Mayor of Leslie was given out last week and the mayor has been notified. The chairman of the recall has until September 15th to return the application back to the election office.
- Code Section 21-2-381 states that August 17-October 23rd is the first and last day to request an absentee application for the November election.
- 21-2-224 states that October 5th is the last day to register or make changes to information or addresses.
- 21-2-385 states that October 13th-October 30th is the Advance Voting period for the November General Election. THE HOURS WILL BE 9:00-5:00 (between the hours of 8:30 -5:30) October 17th and 24th are two Saturdays for voting, also 9:00-5:00.
- ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 3RD FROM 7:00 AM – 7:00 pm
- Currently we have 250 voters who have opt-in or requested an absentee ballot

- We have 10 UOVAVA voters who have requested EBD. The deadline to mail out these ballots is September 21st.
- Lee County will be hosting a vendor's fair on September 23rd at 10:00 AM
- The SOS will be hosting several webinar training courses during September.
- In this election cycle the SOS will be looking at 20 different contests and for each county to be prepared to conduct 7 different audits for this election cycle.
- The office is cleaning up the voter roll and we ask voter to check their status regularly.
- The SEB complaint for Sumter County received a letter of reprimand
- A date for poll worker training and L&A testing is forthcoming

VII. CHAIRMAN

- Leslie Recall
- Plains Election
- Georgia Election Board Complaint and Action Taken by the Board
- Training for upcoming Election for Poll Managers and Poll Workers

Call meeting

- By Laws
- Budget
- Election Developing of Standard Policies and Procedures
- Sumter County Personnel Policy
- Website/Face Book
- Conference/ Training/ Certification of Board Member

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Carson Walker motion to begin Executive Session, Lindsey Edge seconded and Executive Session convened at 4:17 PM. Executive Session ended at 5:16 PM with a motion to do so by Carson Walker and seconded by Lynn Bailey.

IX. BOARD MEMBER REMARKS

X. ADJOURN

- Lindsey Edge made the motion to adjourn and Lynn Bailey seconded and the meeting was adjourned by Randy Howard at 5:17 PM.

Meeting notes Elizabeth Robinson