Floyd County Board of Elections and Registration January 23, 2023



Election Center

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PRESENT: Elections and Registration Board Members Jerry Lee, Ralph Davis, Corey Townsend, Gary Stamper, Layla Shipman, Election Supervisor Akyn Trudnak, County Attorney Virginia Harman.

- **I. Welcome** Chairman Lee called the meeting to order.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- **III. Approval of Agenda** Chairman Lee asked for a motion to amend the agenda to include an Executive Session to discuss personnel and ligation matters. A motion to amend the agenda was made by Ralph Davis and 2nd by Gary Stamper. Motion to approve the amended agenda was approved by Committee. A motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Ralph Davis and 2nd by Corey Townsend.
- **IV. Approval of the Minutes from Previous Meeting** Chairman Lee requested a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. A motion was made by Corey Towsend and 2nd Ralph Davis. The minutes were approved by Committee.
- V. Election Supervisor Report Ms. Trudnak presented her report. The Election and Registration office is continuing to work on voter card cleanup. The poll workers are making incredible headway on this project. Ms. Trudnak, one full-time staff member, and members of the Election Board attended the GAVREO conference. It was great meeting and talking with the other counties. Ms. Trudnak also spoke to the conference on poll worker training. Several counties have reached out for more information to follow our model. GARVIS training is going great. The Precinct Committee meeting went great. A rough draft of the precinct map is being reviewed. More information will be coming as the precincts have legal lines to follow. The community will have an opportunity for input regarding the new precinct maps once a review is complete. Ms. Trudnak will be speaking with both political parties in the coming weeks to talk about poll worker training.
- VI. County Attorney Report- Ms. Harman presented her report. The election office is making great headway with remaining Open Records Requests. There are some outstanding requests but they are large in scope.
- **VII. New Business -** Chairman Lee reported that the board is required to approve the City Election Agreement. Ms. Trudnak stated that the IGA with the City of Rome has no changes in the resolution from previous years. A motion was made by Ralph Davis and 2nd made by Layla Shipman. Motion was approved by the committee.

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- VIII. Public Participation Pam Peters spoke regarding ways to help fulfill some of the large Open Records Request. She asked if memory cards from the 2020 elections could be used to pull information for the requests. Ms. Trudnak stated that the data on memory cards is overwritten but information is saved on servers. She was unsure of legal issues that could arise. Ms. Harman was unsure if it is possible to pull that information from the cards and also spoke on legal issues. Mrs. Peters next commented on ways to taking pictures of tabulation tapes. She stated if pictures of tabulation tapes were used, they would need to include the precinct name and a numbering system on each picture. Lastly Mrs. Peters stated that the since the board members are sworn in and have taken oaths, maybe some of the board could be utilized in helping with any Open Records Requests that require multiple staff members of the Election Office.
- **IX.** Other Business There was no other business.
- X. Executive Session Ralph Davis made a motion to move to executive session and a 2nd was made by Gary Stamper. The Board moved into executive session. Personnel and legal matters were discussed.
- **XI. Adjourn** —Seeing no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.