

PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
COURTHOUSE – BER CONFERENCE ROOM, SUITE 217
June 4, 2013
5:00 PM

- I. Call to order: 5:00 PM.
- II. Roll Call
 - a) Mr. Frank Ford: present
 - b) Mr. Kelvin Irvin: present
 - c) Ms. Annie Parker, Vice-Chairperson: present
 - d) Mr. Emory Walden: present
 - e) Ms. Janet Pearson, Chairperson: present
 - f) Mr. Gary Sanders, Supervisor of Elections and Registration: present
- III. Public Comments
 - a) None.
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - a) Mr. Ford moved to approve the agenda.
 - b) Mr. Irvin seconded the motion.
 - c) Vote: all in favor.
- V. Recommended Consent Agenda
 - a) Approval of Minutes – May 7, 2013
 - i) Mr. Ford moved to approve the minutes as presented.
 - ii) Mr. Irvin seconded the motion.
 - iii) Vote: all in favor.
- VI. Discussion Items
 - a) 2013 budget
 - i) Mr. Sanders provided the Board an update on the 2013 budget, including year-to-date expenditures.
 - ii) Mr. Sanders informed the Board that the 2014 budget request is due on Friday, July 5.
 - iii) Mr. Ford inquired about an amendment to the telephone budget due to the unforeseen countywide overages.
 - b) City of Eatonton redistricting update
 - i) Mr. Sanders informed the Board that changes to Eatonton's street file have been defined, but the redistricting module of the voter registration system will not be available to make the changes until mid-June.
 - c) SOS investigation update
 - i) Mr. Sanders informed the Board that he submitted the statement form to Investigator Pam Jones.
 - ii) Mr. Sanders informed the Board that Ms. Jones' investigation is complete but there is no information about when the case will be heard by the State Election Board.
 - iii) Mr. Sanders informed the Board that he was contacted by an investigator about a case regarding improper voting assistance during the 2011 municipal election.
 - d) GEOA conference review
 - i) Mr. Sanders provided a brief overview of the topics covered at the GEOA conference, highlighting procedural changes needed for appointing the ballot review panel.
 - e) VRAG conference registration
 - i) Mr. Sanders reminded the Board that the VRAG conference will be held August 11-14 in Athens.
 - ii) Mr. Ford inquired about the new ethics and financial reporting requirements for public officials and candidates.

VII. Action Items

- a) Voter registration challenge hearings
 - i) Pursuant to O.C.G.A. §21-2-228, a hearing was held by the Board to determine the eligibility of the individuals named below to remain on the electors list. Prior legal notice for said hearing has been provided to each individual.
 - (1) Shirley J. Bush – Reg. No. 1350272
 - (2) Jean Rankhorn – Reg. No. 1348083
 - (3) Larry Rankhorn – Reg. No. 1348084
 - ii) Based on the evidence presented by Mr. Sanders, Mr. Ford moved to remove the names of said voters from the electors list.
 - iii) Mr. Irvin seconded the motion.
 - iv) Vote: all in favor.

VIII. Business and Information from Board Members and Staff

- a) Mr. Ford: None.
- b) Mr. Irvin: None.
- c) Ms. Parker: None.
- d) Mr. Walden: None.
- e) Ms. Pearson:
 - i) Reminded the Board that the next meeting will be held on July 2 at 5:00 PM.
- f) Mr. Sanders:
 - i) Informed the Board that the OS units have been sent to ES&S for maintenance and cleaning.

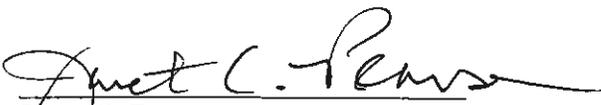
IX. Adjournment -- 5:34 PM.

- a) Mr. Ford moved to adjourn.
- b) Mr. Irvin seconded the motion.
- c) Vote: all in favor.

ATTEST:



Gary Sanders
Supervisor of Elections & Registration



Janet C. Pearson
Chairperson

AFFIDAVIT OF CHAIRPERSON OR PRESIDING OFFICER

Janet Pearson, Chairperson/Presiding Officer of the Putnam County Board of Elections & Registration, being duly sworn, states under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1.

The Putnam County Board of Elections & Registration met in a duly advertised meeting on July 2, 2013.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

3.

The executive session was called to order at 6:20 a.m./(p.m.).

4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

___ Consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the county or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

___ Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and (insert the citation to the legal authority making the tax matter confidential) _____;

___ Discussion of the future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6);

___ Other (describe the exemption to the open meetings law): _____ as provided in (insert the citation to the legal authority exempting the topic) _____.

This 2nd day of July, 2013.

Janet Pearson
Chairperson/Presiding Officer,

Putnam County Board of Elections & Registration

Sworn to and subscribed
Before me this 2nd day of
July, 2013.

[Signature]
Notary Public

My commission expires: 1-3-16

