## TALBOT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION BOARD MEETING MARCH 9, 2021

- A. Call to Order Moment of Reflection: Mrs. Howard called the meeting to order at 4:39 p.m. Present were Marjorie Howard, Wycene Willis, Patricia Robinson, Sharita Trice, and Pam Bulloch. Mrs. Robinson presented our Moment of Reflection.
- **B.** Agenda Approval: Mrs. Robinson made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Trice seconded and all approved.
- C. Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2021. Mrs. Robinson made a motion to accept the February minutes. Wycene seconded and all approved.
- **D.** County Elector Reports: Pat Robinson made a motion to accept these reports. Wycene seconded and all approved.
- E. Personnel Updates: Elections has a part-time position open. This has been advertised in the Talbotton New Era. No one has responded, but if anyone calls, they can fill out an application or bring in their resume. The ID bill has not yet been passed. We are to check the ID machine periodically to make sure it is up and working. If the ID bill passes, it would require a photo ID to be sent in when requesting an absentee ballot. We can track the progression of this bill on the legislative website. We are to continue to stay up-to-date on the Buzz. Robin Carr, our liaison, will be on leave from 3/12/21 through 3/22/21.
- F. Site/Move Updates: Mrs. Howard has contacted Homeland Security to get them to inspect the proposed building at 1761 Geneva Highway that Elections is supposed to relocate to. This building is now being used by the Talbot County Sheriff's office. Hopefully, the inspector can come in the next week. We are to move our equipment from the 188 Jackson Avenue location so the Sheriff's office can move into this building. There are several things that need to be done in the new location.
- G. Upcoming Events: The 2021 GAVERO Conference is scheduled for 08/29/21 9/1/21 at Jekyll Island. The hotels to be used for the conference will be posted on Firefly on 3/16/21. When these are posted we can make our reservations. Mrs. Robinson made a motion for Sharita and Pam to attend this conference, Wycene seconded and all approved. On 4/12/21 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m., there will be a CISA Active Shooter Preparedness Webinar. We all have to register for this.
- H. 2021 Elections: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 is election day for the City of Talbotton Special Election. Paper ballots are being used for this election. We are using the precinct scanner for Early Voting and for election day. As of today, we have had 21 early voters, have mailed out 17 absentee ballots and 8 ballots are back in. The City of Geneva has an election coming up later this year. There are 102 registered voters in the city. Since the Geneva City Hall is only open three days a week, Marjorie did not know if early voting would only have to be done three days per week. In this case, she would have to check out what the law states. Pam Bulloch made a motion that the election board not conduct the City of Geneva election. Sharita Trice seconded and all approved.

- I. Current News Keeping Up: We are to keep up with any legislation pertaining to election bills. Anything that does not pass in this year's session goes over to the next year. Mrs. Howard said she received an e-mail from Carol Ison regarding the "Federal Emergency Rental Assistance Program." There is \$52 million dollars in this program to help renters impacted by Covid 19.
- J. Roundtable Discussion: There has not been a big turnout for the City of Talbotton election. Hopefully, more people will show up on election day. Also, Wycene has gotten her first Covid shot and Mrs. Robinson and Pam have had both of theirs. We are still following the Covid-19 guidelines.
- **K.** Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Mrs. Robinson made a motion to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. Mrs. Trice seconded and all approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Recording Secretary** 

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