

Catoosa County Board of Elections and Registration
September 10, 2024 Minutes

Call to Order

The Catoosa County Board of Elections and Registration met on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 4:00 PM at the Freedom Center. Ron Mckelvy called the meeting to order and Jennifer Motter opened with prayer, pledge and roll call. Ron Mckelvy, Marvin Cornelison, Tommy Davis, Nina Crawford, and Jennifer Motter were present.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: [Nina Crawford](#)
Second: Jennifer Motter
All approved

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the Aug 13, 2024 Regular Meeting/Executive Session: Jennifer Motter
Second: [Marvin Cornelison](#)
All approved

Motion to approve Sep 5, 2024 Special Called meeting minutes: Tommy Davis
Second: [Nina Crawford](#)

Public Comments

- Mary Beth Bugae
 - Read email re: Dr. Corsi and embedded algorithms in Dominion, there is an open investigation in Ohio. Godsfivestones.org.
 - Ms. Bugae also presented the Board with information from Georgians4truth from Aug 3
 - BOE has authority to use emergency paper poll books and ballots
 - BOE has authority to do a hand count before certification
 - SEB and Catoosa County BOE have been urged to adopt the rule for emergency paper ballots
 - Judge Ray's decision sets a dangerous precedent for freedom of association
- Jim Coles
 - QR code does not comply with GA statute—consider using emergency paper ballots
 - Consider "what ifs"—only 10% paper ballots are kept on hand
 - SEB rule-counting ballots—the reason it was proposed was to detect QR mismatch in the Dominion machines

Old Business

- City of Ringgold-nothing to report
- City of Fort Oglethorpe-nothing to report
- Sep 5 Legislative Meeting
- SEB Chair John Fervier was in attendance.

- Mitchell Horner, Steve Tarvin and Mike Cameron were in attendance.
- Overall a success and well attended by several county's election officials and GAVREO leadership.
- 2025 Budget
 - Approved and begins Oct 1.
 - Down from 2024 budget by \$15,200
 - Public Service Commission election included
- Registration Drives
 - RHS- done
 - LFO- Sep 30
 - HHS- waiting on a date
 - Career Academy-Tommy Davis reported about a dozen new registered voters
- Region Meeting
 - Held at the Colonnade in Conjunction with the legislative meeting on Sep 5.

New Business

- P&L Statement (July)
 - Commissioners approved the purchase of the Poll Pad printers and stands for approximately \$18,000
 - Upcoming Calendar of Events
 - L&A
 - 9/23 Tommy
 - 9/24 Marvin
 - 9/25 Jennifer
 - Will assign Advance voting and Election day responsibilities at 10/8 meeting
 - Misc. Topics
 - SEB will be voting on a new rule on 9/20 to count ballots at the precinct. Catoosa County Elections will plan to count the number of ballots cast at the close/emptying of scanners at each precinct on Election night in anticipation of the rule passing.
 - Ricky Kittle memorial- office staff will see about the purchase and planting of a tree
 - No Hearing
 - The next regular meeting will be October 8, 2024, 4:00 pm at the Freedom Center

Executive Session

- Motion to move to Executive Session: Tommy Davis
 - Second: Marvin Cornelson
- A separate set of minutes was kept for this session.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Marvin Cornelson
 Second: Nina Crawford
 All approved

Jennifer Motter, Secretary

Jennifer Motter

Nina Crawford, Vice Chairman

Nina Crawford

Ron Mckelvy, Chairman

Thomas Davis

T. Davis

Marvin Cornelson

Marvin Cornelson

