

Oglethorpe County Board of Elections and Registration

Board Meeting

June 24, 2024

9:00 A.M.

- Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman George Gray, Pledge to the Flag was led by Vice-Chair George Gray, and minutes were read by Secretary Carla D. Houston.
- There was a motion to accept minutes as read, and there was a second.

Report from Election Staff:

- **Steve McCannon**

- Registration Stats for April, 2024: 11,069 Active voters, 814 Inactive voters, total of 11,883. Gain of 83 active voters, decrease of 11 inactive voters, for an increase of 72 voters overall. (See HO)
- 2024 General Assembly upcoming effective bills for 2024 and 2025 were shared. Voter Challenge Guideline changes were presented to the Board. ACLU guidelines for voter challenges were also provided. (See HO)
- Important upcoming Dates to Remember for General Election were shared. Earliest day to request an absentee ballot for November election is August 19, 2024. Last day for an applicant to register or for an elector to change address for the General Election is October 7, 2024.(See HO)

- **Marilyn Huff-Waller**

- Budget report thru May 31, 2024 was shared. The office will be over budget due to multiple elections this year. The County Commissioner's office is aware. (See HO)
- Georgia Watermark Security Ballot Paper is required by House Bill 974 as it becomes effective July 1, 2024. New paper was ordered from Dominion on June 11, 2024, PO #1063 for a total cost of \$1,737.00.
- UPS Replacement Project included Oglethorpe County in this year's cycle. Delivery is scheduled for the last week of July/first week of August. Allocation of new equipment will include: 5 SMT1500C for use with ATI kit, 18 BR1500MS2 to power 50% of remaining BMD's, 9 BE425M to provide power protection for remaining BMDs, and 9 PH8 surge protectors.
- Logic and Accuracy for General Election on November 5,2024 will be held September 30 and October 1, 2024, at 9:00 AM

- **Old Business:**

- Scanner cleaning instructions were received from Charles Cortez. Cleaning will occur at next Logic and Accuracy testing September 30, 2024.

- **New Business:**

- Election Office will be closed on July 4th and 5th, 2024.
- Election Office welcomes any ideas for increasing voter turnout.

- **Public Input:** None

- Those in attendance were George Gray, Carla Houston, Marilyn Huff-Waller, Steve McCannon, and Jane Kidd.

- **Next meeting:** July 15, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

- Meeting was adjourned.