Minutes Athens County Board of Elections Regular Meeting April 5, 2021, 3:30 pm

The Athens County Board of Elections met on April 5, 2021 at 3:30 pm at the Athens City Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Board Chair McGuckin, Roll Call – Aundrea S. Carpenter-Colvin, Gary Van Meter, John Haseley, Kate McGuckin all present. Also present at the meeting Director Debbie Quivey, Assistant Prosecutor Kirk Shaw, Parker Colvin, Beth Farrier, Debbie Perry and Helen King with the League of Women Voters.

Ms. McGuckin led the pledge.

Motion 2021:04:01

Mr. Van Meter moved, seconded by Mr. Haseley that the minutes for March 18, 2021 be approved by the board.

After the motion was made Beth Ferrier made a point of order. Her point was that the public was not invited back into the meeting prior to adjournment. Assistant Prosecutor Kirk Shaw state that the members of the public asked if any decisions would be made after executive session at that meeting and the answer was no, they were just coming out of executive session to adjourn the March 18, 2021 meeting.

Mr. Van Meter withdrew this motion.

Motion 2021:04:02

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter the allocation of three (3) E-Pollbooks, three (3) DS200's and two (2) Expressvote's to the board office for the Primary. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:03

Mr. Van Meter moved, seconded by Mr. Haseley that the minutes from September 22, 2020 Special Meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:04

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter that the minutes from October 21, 2020 Regular Meeting be approved as presented.

After the motion was made there was discussion with the public about an edit that needed to be made on the October 21, 2020 minutes. Edit was that an addition needed made regarding the 3% retroactive pay for board office staff that the raise was given retroactively in accordance with the 3% raise given to other county agencies. It was agreed that this should be added to the minutes.

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin withdrew this motion.

Motion 2021:04:05

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter that the minutes from October 21, 2020 Regular Meeting be approved as amended in motion 2021:04:04 above. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:06

Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin moved, seconded by Mr. Haseley that the minutes from November 10, 2020 Special Meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:07

Mr. Van Meter moved, seconded by Mr. Haseley that the minutes from November 14, 2020 Special Meeting be approved as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:08

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin that the minutes from November 18, 2020 Emergency Meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:09

Mr. Van Meter moved, seconded by Mr. Haseley that bills from October 21, 2020 to December 31, 2020 be approved as presented. Voting: Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin – Yes, Mr. Van Meter – Yes, Haseley – Yes, Ms. McGuckin – Yes

Motion 2021:04:10

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter to open the board office to the public as of April 5, 2021. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:11

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter to grant the authority to Director Quivey and Deputy Director Brooks to pay all bills and to transfer or receive money as necessary with a list of bills being provided at each meeting for review and approval. Voting: Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin – Yes, Mr. Van Meter – Yes, Haseley – Yes, Ms. McGuckin – Yes

Motion 2021:04:12

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin to go into executive session for personnel retirement and potential litigation. Voting: Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin – Yes, Mr. Van Meter – Yes, Haseley – Yes, Ms. McGuckin – Yes

Chair McGuckin came back on the record at 4:51 pm.

Motion 2021:04:13

Mr. Van Meter moved, seconded by Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin to authorize Director Quivey to work with providing, arranging and notifying on an array of public notices related to the retirement and rehiring of an employee should be scheduled at a later date. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2021:04:14

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mr. Van Meter that due to potential litigation Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin and Ms. McGuckin will work with the prosecutor's office regarding this matter. Motion passed unanimously.

Members of the public were asked for comments.

Helen King from the League of Women Voters ask why a person being hired was discussed in executive session. Chair Ms. McGuckin explained that Personnel Matters, like this one, are discussed in executive session.

Motion 2021:04:15

Mr. Haseley moved, seconded by Mrs. Carpenter-Colvin to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Director