

**SPALDING COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION**

January 30, 2018
10:00 a.m. – 825 Memorial Drive

Minutes

The called meeting of the Spalding County Board of Elections and Voter Registration (BOER) convened at the Election and Voter Registration Office, 825 Memorial Drive, Griffin, GA at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

Members Present: Chairman Betty Bryant, Secretary Margaret Bentley, Board Members Ballard Brooks and Glenda Henley.

The Spalding County Board of Elections and Voter Registration Call meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by the Chairman, Betty Bryant. Chairman Bryant stated that she was called by William Wilson, County Manager and was told to have a Called meeting to discuss supervision of the Elections Supervisor.

New Business:

Discussion on changing of Local Legislation of the Elections Supervisor from reporting to the Board of Elections to the County Manager.

Chairman Bryant stated there would be no vote until there was a full Board present. Today, she just wanted to get each Board member's opinion on who should supervise the Election Supervisor, the Board or the County Manager.

Chairman Bryant stated that she felt the County Manager should supervise the Election Supervisor because she didn't feel that she was capable of doing so. And, she did not have the time to be at the office to see whether the Election Supervisor was doing her job.

Correction: Chairman Bryant stated that she would make time to come to the office if she had to.

Board Member Ballard Brooks opined that he, too, felt like the Election Supervisor should be supervised by the County Manager. His rationale was there was too much liability involved. Board member Bentley stated that the Board of Elections and Voter Registration was a County entity and no one on the Board would be liable for anything as an individual. Brooks also stated that in 2003, the Board of Commissioners had requested to change the supervision of the Election Supervisor from the Board of Elections and Voter Registration to the County Manager. However, the proposed local legislation did not go anywhere.

Board Member, Glenda Henley stated that the supervision of the Election Supervisor should stay with the Board. She stated this responsibility has been with the Board since the Board was established and she saw no reason to change it now.

Board Member, Bentley also stated that she felt the supervision of the Election Supervisor should remain with the Board and the current supervisor keeps the Board abreast of what was going on more so than had been previously done.

Chairman Bryant asked each Board member to write their opinions/comments down and send them to her and the County Manager by February 5, 2018, the date of the next Board of Commissioner's meeting. All Board Members agreed to do so.

Meeting adjourned

Motion to adjourn: Board Member Glenda Henley

Second: Board Member Ballard Brooks

Motion passed: 4 - 0

The called meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.

Minutes taken by Board Secretary Margaret W. Bentley

Minutes approved by


Margaret W. Bentley - Secretary