

## CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF VOTER REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS

Minutes for meeting held Monday, January 8, 2024

The following board members were present: James "Ed" Elliott, Jerry Bridges, Ben Taylor, Lamar Batchelor, Jimmy Cash, and Stephen Fowler; Carlton Bridges attended by phone.

\*\*absent members: Jason Blanton & vacancy

Agenda was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA

Call to order: 9:00am; Ben Taylor opened in prayer.

## Minutes:

Lamar made a motion to appoint Ed as Chairman for the new year; Ben seconded; all were in favor.

Jerry made a motion to appoint Lamar as Vice Chair; Ben seconded; all were in favor.

Jerry made a motion to appoint Carlton as Secretary; Lamar seconded; all were in favor.

Jimmy made a motion to approve the minutes from 11.9.2023, canvass and board meeting; and 12.21.2023 canvass meeting; Stephen seconded; all were in favor.

Cassidy reminded the board of the upcoming Democratic Presidential Preference Primary which will be Saturday, February 3, 2024; early vote for it begins Monday, January 22, 2024, and ends Friday, February 2, 2024. She also noted the Republican Presidential Preference Primary will be Saturday, February 24, 2024; early vote beginning Monday, February 12, 2024, and ending Thursday, February 22, 2024; closed Monday, February 19, 2024, for Presidents Day.

Cassidy noted the dates for the presidential preference primaries and the combined precinct locations have been aired on the radio, in the Gaffney Ledger, as well as posted on the doors of the Cherokee County Admin Bldg. She asked board members to please take copies of the handout to help notify the public.

Cassidy notified the board 2-3 members are needed to go out the Friday before the PPPs to put out signs at closed precincts; they also need to retrieve signs. She also noted at least 2 are needed on election day, and to deliver and pick up equipment. Ben, Ed, Jimmy, and Stephen volunteered.

Cassidy notified the board of the upcoming training classes for poll workers.

<sup>\*\*</sup>also in attendance: Cassidy Nichols (interim director) & Hannah Whiteside (clerk)

Cassidy informed the board that the new quarter for SEC training classes for board members will be made available soon by the SEC; she will be sending that schedule out when she receives it.

Cassidy informed the board that Mary Beth White has accepted the temporary position in the Voter Registration Office and will begin as soon as her drug screening is complete. The position is through 1st Staffing.

Next scheduled meeting is Thursday, February 8, 2024; will also be our certification for Democratic Presidential Preference Primary.

Jimmy made a motion to adjourn @ 9:23am; Jerry seconded; all were in favor.

Carlton Bridges, Secretary

Date

<sup>\*\*</sup>minutes recorded by Hannah Whiteside