LEE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS & REGISTRATION Minutes of the February 11, 2025 Board Meeting

The Lee County Board of Elections & Registration held a meeting on February 11, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Elections & Registration Office. Board members present were Mike Sabot, Charles Johnson, Willie Allen, Scott Beeley and George Houston.

Also in attendance was Veronica Johnson, Director of Elections and Registration.

The meeting was called to order.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board was presented with the minutes from the January 14, 2025 meeting. Mr. Allen made a **MOTION** to approve the minutes. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Board was presented with an update on the Leesburg Special Election to be held March 18, 2025 to fill a vacancy for Post 3, following the resignation of Richard Bush. Qualifying was held January 22-25, 2025. Logic and Accuracy Testing will begin February 12, 2025 and continue until completed. Absentee-by-Mail ballots and Advance-in-Person Voting will be available beginning February 24, 2025. Certification will be held at 5:00 pm on Friday, March 21, 2025.

Manager and Assistant Manager mini training session will be conducted on February 18, 2025, March 25, 2025, and April 15, 2025. This will provide a refresher course leading up to the June 2025 Special Primary.

The Board was informed the Secretary of State's Office training classes April 28 – May 2, 2025 will be held in Paulding County. Mrs. Johnson and office staff plan to attend.

The Board discussed the upcoming statewide Special Primary and General Election to be held for two Public Service Commission seats June 17, 2025 and November 4, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS:

Current financial statements were presented to the Board for review.

The Board was presented with current voter registration totals. As of February 10, 2025, Lee County had 23,701 active registered voters.

The Board was presented with information for the FYE2026 Budget Request. Discussion was held on individual line items and capital expense requests. Mr. Beeley made a **MOTION** to submit the budget request as finalized. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Beeley made a <u>MOTION</u> to enter into Executive Session at 9:31 am to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously 5-0.

The public meeting was reconvened at 9:55 am.

CONCERNS FROM THE BOARD:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

With no other business, Mr. Beeley made a <u>MOTION</u> to adjourn. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

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MIKE SABOT CHAIRMAN