

**MACON-BIBB COUNTY**

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING (TELECONFERENCE) *(REVISED) \*\****

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2020**

**(VIA TELECONFERENCE ONLY)**

**Dial in #: (978) 990-5000 / USE ACCESS CODE: 625918**

CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Mike Kaplan, Chairperson called the meeting to order at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ p.m.

***(Please ask all teleconference attendees to please silence / mute your phone to reduce background noise so the meeting can be heard by all)***

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:

1. Welcome & Recognition of Visitors via Teleconference

MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Request approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting held Thursday, August 27, 2020

***(ACTION)***

1. Request approval of the minutes from the regular Board meeting held Thursday, September 17, 2020

***(ACTION)***

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing the Mayor to accept a grant from the Center for Tech and Civic Life (“CTCL”) in the amount of $557,598 for the Macon-Bibb County Board of Elections, and for other lawful purposes. **Request approval from the Board to submit the check to the Macon-Bibb County Finance Department for funds to be used as set-forth in Exhibit A.** *(See Attachment)* ***(ACTION)***
2. Request approval of Poll Manager Appointment for the November 3rd General Election according to O.C.G.A. 21-2-90 ***(ACTION)***
3. Request approval to schedule the next Board meeting for Friday, November 6, 2020 for any potential Hearings

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Additional Official Absentee Ballot Drop Box – Update
2. Macon-Bibb County Board of Elections (Main Office)

(2) Bibb County Court House (Mulberry Street)

(3) Additional Box location to be determined

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Items from the Chief Registrar, Veronica Seals
   1. Voter registration deadline for the November 3, 2020 General/Special Election was October 5
   2. Absentee Ballot mailing – Urge voters to follow up on absentee ballot request
   3. All Absentee Ballot Drop Boxes will officially close at 7:00 p.m. at the close of the polls
   4. **The Online Absentee Ballot Application Portal** is now live and the public can log on to: [https://ballotrequest.sos.ga.gov](https://ballotrequest.sos.ga.gov/) to process their absentee ballot application and it will automatically be submitted to the board of elections office electronically
   5. Absentee in-person – Early Voting Begins Monday, October 12, 2020
      1. Returned Ballots –
      2. Active – **107,934** Inactive – **7,970** Combined Total – **115,904**

as of date: **10/22/2020**

* 1. Mailing absentee ballots – mailed out by counties starting mailing ABS Wednesday, October 14
  2. ElectioNet Voter Registration Dashboard Report
     1. DDS Department Driver Services Applications – **1,249**
     2. OLVR – Online Voter Registration Applications– **638**
     3. Verification of Pending Voters – **48**
     4. Online Absentee Ballot Application Portal – **22**

1. Items from Board Members
   1. *(Added to agenda)* Purchase of a High-Speed Letter Opener \*\* ***(ACTION)***
2. Items from the Supervisor
   1. Preparation for the November 3, 2020 General Election
   2. Prepare budget for grant funds \*\*Hazard Pay will be included in the submission\*\*
   3. Attend webinars and training for post-election audit required by the SOS according to HB 316
      1. The post-election audit will be random
   4. Early opening of absentee ballots
   5. Deadline for Certification of the November 3, 2020 General Election is Friday, November 13th
   6. Additional advance voting locations
   7. Poll Worker Forms and Recap Sheets \*\*
3. Items from the County Attorney
   1. Opinion concerning what actions are permissible for outside organizations to as it pertains to assisting electors in line outside of the polling place
   2. Opinion concerning hazard pay from grant funds
   3. Implementation of a PPE policy for poll workers\*\*
4. Correspondence: (Copies for Board meeting files)
   1. Copy of the Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a grant from The Center for Technology and Civic Life
   2. Assignment of Poll Manager list for November 3, 2020 General Election
   3. Budget Performance Report
   4. My Voter Page (MVP) Track an Absentee Ballot
   5. Absentee Voting (Unofficial and Incomplete) voter totals
   6. Vote Review Panels & Duplication Team
   7. Poll Worker Training

FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS: *(Limit to 2 minutes)*

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion for adjournment was made by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ p.m. Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_