

Monroe County Board of Elections

MINUTES

April 8, 2024

Attendance: Board Members: Sam Bennett, Mary Chambliss, Linda Davis, Rosalyn Harbuck, and Jimmy Zellner.

Staff: Kaye Warren

Meeting was called to order and opened with prayer.

The minutes of the February and March meetings were approved as printed.

The Budget Review sheet was reviewed. The Professional Services line item was questioned. Warren explained that it was for legal fees associated with the staff appearance before the State Board of Elections concerning questions arising from qualifying for an Independent candidate.

A visitor, Marvin Bailey, a representative from the Bibb County League of Women Voters, joined the meeting. He stated that the League will be having representatives attend election board meetings throughout the Middle Georgia area during the 2024 election cycle. He was welcomed to the meeting and was told that dates and times of the Monroe County Board of Elections may be found on our website.

An updated listing of various bills pertaining to elections that had been introduced in the State Legislature was presented. Since the Legislature is still in session action on several of the bills is not finalized.

Warren informed the Board that the required audit resulting from the Presidential Preference Primary had been completed. Two precincts had been selected by the Secretary of State office for a hand count. In both cases the numbers from the hand count and the machine totals from the scanners were an exact match.

Warren reported the ballot development and proofing process for the upcoming Primary had been unusually difficult this cycle partially due to new staff at the Secretary of State Office. Sample copies of the completed ballots were distributed. She said that staffing for Early Voting and all fourteen of the Voting Locations had been completed. Early voting will begin on April 29

The date of the next scheduled board meeting may need to be adjusted to prevent the need for an extra meeting to allow the Board to certify the results of the May 21 Primary. Notice of the date and time for the meeting will be sent to the members.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.