

**MADISON COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION**

**MARCH 3, 2015
MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tracy Dean, Chairperson
Leo Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lisa Mathis

OTHERS PRESENT:

Teresa Hilburn
Ernestine Cochran
Jewel Ramirez
Rev. Dick Huycke
Bill Madden
Elena Hart

Ms. Dean stated that Ms. Mathis would not be at tonight's meeting due to a death in the family. The board sends their condolences to the family.

Chairperson Tracy Dean called in to order the regular meeting of the Madison County Board of Elections and Registration at 6:30p.m., March 3, 2015, in the Board of Elections and Registration office in the Madison County Government Complex.

OLD BUSINESS:

Item No. 1. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 3, 2015. Minutes have been distributed.

With no additions or corrections to the minutes, the minutes stand.

Item No. 2. Chairperson's Report

Ms. Dean stated the cities of Comer and Hull have not returned their updated Elector's List. This was given to the city officials in January, 2015. According to Georgia Election Code 21-2-224(e), these list must be updated. She will be in touch with Comer and Hull to get updated list.

Hearing letters have been mailed to those who no longer live in the city limit. A hearing date has been set for April 7, 2015, for residents to attend to prove they still live in the city limit.

Item No. 3. Polling Place Agreement with Jones Chapel United Methodist Church

Ms. Dean stated the reason for this meeting with Jones Chapel administration was to gather information to secure voting centers for 2016 and beyond. She thanked Jones Chapel UMC for the use of their facilities. A list of all elections in 2016 was made available to those who attended the meeting. Ms. Elena Hart gave the board a copy of the rules of use for the Jones Chapel UMC Family Life Center. Mr. Bill Madden spoke on behalf of Jones Chapel UMC. He stated the following:

- *No up-front fee
- *350.00 per Election Day-This would cover delivery of DRE units on the Monday before Election Day, Election Day and pick-up of DRE units on the Wednesday after Election Day.
- *This fee is the standard fee that Jones Chapel UMC charges to any group that uses their Family Life Center without the use of the kitchen.
- *There would be no problem with having additional voters if the BOER decided to consolidate precincts in the future and use the Family Life Center as a vote center.
- *All utilities paid by Jones Chapel.
- *Contract would state that either party could terminate the contract. However, if Jones Chapel terminated, it must give BOER ample time to secure another location and inform the voters in that precinct.
- *If the BOER decided to consolidate, fees would not be increased just because there were additional voters unless 200-300 people were in the building at the same time and caused a cost increase in utilities.

Mr. Smith made a motion to table making a decision on renting Jones Chapel UMC Family Life Center until the full board is present. Ms. Dean seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The BOER will consider having a special called meeting to further discuss this item. Jones Chapel will be informed if the board decides to meet so they may attend.

Item No. 4. Disaster Plan

Mr. Smith made a motion to table discussion of the disaster plan until the April BOER meeting. Ms. Dean seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

No Statements and Remarks from Citizens

No Further Business

Ms. Dean made a motion to adjourn meeting. Mr. Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:03p.m.

These minutes are hereby approved by the board this 7th day of April, 2015.



**Tracy Dean, Chairperson
Madison County Board of Elections and Registration**