

**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS**  
**Pre-Election Day Absentee BOARD MEETING**  
**for the General Election**  
**Monday, 4 November 2024 5pm per G.S.**

**Participants:** Melanie Thibault, Kathy Tinsley, Gary Dills, Lynne Garrison, Jeff Gillette & John Vanhook

**Observers:** none

**Call to Order:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 5 PM.

**New business:**

1. Minutes from 29 October 2024: Ms. Garrison made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Dills seconded the motion, and the Board approved unanimously. Attachment 1
2. Invoices: The Director provided three invoices: One to Amazon for adding machines (\$117.41), one to HART for ballot stock (\$624.44) and one to John Williams for travel (\$64.65). The Board reviewed the invoices, and the Chair signed. Attachment 2
3. Budget: The Director provided a copy of the Budget year-to-date report. We are on the expected spending path. Attachment 3
4. Absentee Ballots review: The Board reviewed 221 ballots. Mr. Dills made a motion to approve 13 Overseas ballots, three military ballots, 29 pending ballots, and 165 Civilian ballots for a total of 210 ballots. Three overseas ballots, 2 pending ballots and six civilian ballots require cure, and we will not count them at this time. The staff will contact voters to assist them to cure the ballots. Ms. Garrison seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved. The Director opened the polls with the Board noting a count of 779 on the tabulating machine. Ms. Tinsley and Mr Vanhook entered the ballots

into the tabulator. Ms. Garrison, Mr. Dills and Mr. Gillette observed the process. After entering the ballots, the counter read 989 ballots voted.

5. Adjourn: With no further business, Mr. Dills made a motion to adjourn the meeting and reconvene on Tuesday, 5 November at 5 PM. Mr. Gillette seconded the motion, and the Board unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Attachments:

1. Minutes from 29 October 2024
2. Invoices – Amazon (\$117.41), HART (\$624.44) and John Williams (\$64.65)
3. Year to date Budget