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Galax City Electoral Board Meeting Minutes – February 5, 2024

The Galax City Electoral Board met in the Conference Room #1 in the Galax City Municipal Building in Galax, VA. The meeting was called to order by Josepha Thompson, Chairperson, and seconded by Rhonda Hatmaker, Vice-Chairperson on February 5, 2024 at 10:00 am. Those present were Josepha Thompson, Rhonda Hatmaker, Sylvia Richardson, Secretary, and David Phipps, General Registrar, in attendance.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the draft FY24 – FY25 budgets, approve the yearly appointment of the locality Officers of Election and discuss the annual reorganization of the Electoral Board as required by § 24.2-106(B) of the Virginia State Code.

After a thorough review of the of the FY24 - FY25 draft budgets, Board Vice-Chairperson Rhonda Hatmaker made a motion that the FY24 - FY25 budgets be approved. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Josepha Thompson and after a unanimous vote, the motion to approve the FY24 - FY25 budgets carried. General Registrar David Phipps was directed to forward the budgets to both the Galax City Manager and City Finance Director.

The second topic of business was the appointment of Officers of Election for the time period of March 1, 2024 through February 28, 2025. After reviewing the candidates, a slate of fifteen local citizens were approved to be Officers of Elections. Of the fifteen, twelve will serve both of the City's Precincts while three will serve as alternates. A motion to approve the fifteen candidates was made by Secretary Sylvia Richardson and seconded by Vice-Chairperson Rhonda Hatmaker. After a unanimous vote, the motion approving the Officer of Election candidates carried.

The annual reorganization of the Electoral Board was the third topic. Preliminary discussions were held concerning which member would assume which office they will serve. After a discussion, the Board Members decided to table the reorganization discussion to February 29, 2024 as allowed by § 24.2-115 of the Virginia Code.

There was a motion made and approved to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by the Board Vice-Chairperson Rhonda Hatmaker and was seconded by the Chairperson Josepha Thompson. The motion carried by unanimous consent and the meeting adjourned at 10:51 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Richardson, Secretary