



GLYNN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION

Special Called Meeting, August 21, 2020 at 1pm

The Special Called Meeting of the Board of Elections and Registration was called to order by Chairman Gibson at 1:00pm.

Present were Patricia Gibson, Chairman; Patricia Featherstone, Vice Chairman; Keith Rustin, Secretary; Sandy Dean, Member; Tommy Clark, Member; Christopher Channell, Supervisor; Christina Redden, Assistant Supervisor; Marc Johnson, Attorney; Ron Adams; Pam Shierling; Taylor Cooper

Executive Session

Mr. Clark made a motion to move into Executive Session. Ms. Featherstone seconded. Ms. Dean inquired if this motion was because of potential litigation. Ms. Gibson stated the session is to discuss continuing litigation. The motion to move into Executive Session passed 4-1.

Call for Special Election to Consider SB509

The Board moved out of Executive Session. Mr. Clark made a motion to place binding referendum SB509 on the November General Election ballot. There was no second, the motion failed. Mr. Rustin made the motion to call for a separate, Special Election to consider binding referendum SB509 to be held November 3, 2020. The motion was seconded.

Mr. Clark expressed concern the general public will be confused by a separate election held on the same day as the General Election. Ms. Dean stated holding a separate election is the only way to do so lawfully, per legal counsel. Ms. Gibson inquired about the wording of the referendum. Mr. Channell replied the wording is in the bill itself but the Board must create a title for the question on the ballot. Mr. Rustin stated in order to uphold each Board member's oath to follow Georgia Constitution and Code, the election must be held as a 29-day Special Called Election. Mr. Rustin acknowledged it will be difficult for voters but the date SB509 was signed into law left no legal alternative.

The motion passed unanimously and Ms. Gibson issued the call for a Special Election on November 3, 2020 to consider referendum SB509.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn and approved 5-0.

Patricia Gibson, Chairman

Keith Rustin, Secretary