

HART COUNTY BOARD OF REGISTRARS

DATE: Thursday, June 14, 2012
LOCATION: Office of the Hart County Board of Registrars
ATTENDEES: Elizabeth G. Forbes, Chief Registrar
Hilda B. Mauldin, Board Member
Ronald J. Walker, Board Member
Mary S. Stephens, Deputy Registrar/Clerk

This meeting was called to order at 10:20 A.M. by Elizabeth Forbes, Chief Registrar. At the commencement of this meeting Chief Forbes thanked all for attending.

1. Reviewed reports for months end May, 2012
2. A Hearing was held to remove 16 deceased Hart County voters and remove 2 "Inactive" voters with non-existent Hart County addresses (will not auto-precinct). Agreement to remove all was unanimous.
3. Chief Forbes and Clerk Stephens discussed the new voter registration system coming on line in 2013. The new system was introduced at the VRAG Conference in Savannah, GA on June 3rd thru 6th. The new system will be via internet and "paperless" as formal reports will no longer be printed for regular business. All involved with the Board of Registrars will be expected to learn and use this new system. Clerk Stephens will be attending training in Athens, GA in the month of March, 2013 and will be training the Hart County staff.

Also discussed at VRAG are the new rules for removing Deceased voters. Hearings for removal are no longer necessary. Letters of removal are to be written and mailed to the Deceased.

4. Chief Forbes discussed the upcoming office schedule for the Absentee voting period. Board Member Mauldin will not be working the hallways as in the past. Special Deputy Jane Kay will be recruited to help out on an "as needed" basis. The Chief and Clerk will be serving full time and the Board Members will be scheduled to fill in the 3rd worker position.
5. A new process was discussed to make sure voters in the NOACT2GE files are properly removed when notification of death is received. Board Member Walker was asked to carefully review the records with the Clerk.
6. On July 1st a new law will take effect at the Department of Drivers Services that will require additional proof of identity. This will affect our office greatly as voters will be requesting certified copies of their voter registration to serve as ID verification. Board Members will need to learn how to print these from our GO System to insure this service is available Monday thru Friday.

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With no further discussion this meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary S. Stephens". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and a stylized "S".

Mary S. Stephens
Deputy Registrar/Clerk