

BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETING
10/22/2020

Attended by: Mike Kaplan, Chair, Henry Ficklin, Cassandra Powell, Herb Spangler, & Rinda Wilson

New Business:

The Board of Elections applied for and received a publicly offered Grant from the Center for Tech and Civic Life for unrestricted ELECTION expenses for the amount of \$557,598 !!!!

2. The next Board meeting was scheduled for Friday, Nov. 6, 2020 at 6 pm for
 1. any potential hearing resulting from the election
 2. determine Grant spending

Old Business:

Drop boxes: Two currently in place—Board of Elections and Bibb Co. Court House on Mulberry St. A third has been received from the state for free and a site for installation in south Macon will be determined tomorrow, possibly Lizella, library or Recreation Ctr.

The recommended goal is 1 Drop Box/ 15,000 registered voters. Absentee Ballot Drop Boxes will close at 7:00 pm at the close of polls on Nov. 3.

Other Business:

Moved and passed to purchase a machine that will open 15,000 envelopes/hour. Highly recommended by other county Boards of Election. Will use Grant money.

2. Deadline to certify Nov. 3, 2020 election is Friday Nov 13, 2020.
3. Items from County Attorney William Noland: Re. concern about what actions are permitted by outside organizations relative to electors in line outside of polling places—

Observers must stay 25' away from voters. "Observers" aren't the same as "Poll Watchers" which are appointed by the political parties and defined by state law.

Submitted by Carolyn Hargrove