

**THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF CHATHAM COUNTY
MINUTES**

January 14, 2021

BOARD MEMBERS: Thomas J. Mahoney - Chairman
Malinda Hodge – Vice Chair
Marianne Heimes – absent from meeting
Antwan Lang

STAFF: Russell Bridges
Caity Hamilton

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 2:15 P.M. by **Tom Mahoney** who gave an Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CHAIR ADDRESS **Mr. Mahoney** thanked those assembled for appearing at the meeting and noted that the only item on the agenda was the certification of the January 5, 2021 Runoff election. He stated that, while **Ms. Heimes** was not able to attend, she had given written consent to approve the certification and that he, **Ms. Hodge**, and **Mr. Lang** were all present, constituting a quorum.

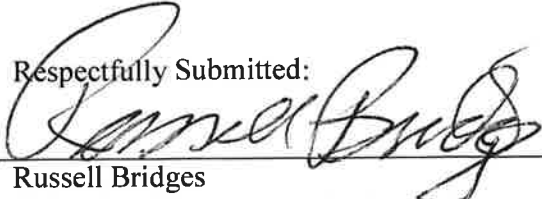
MINUTES **January 5, 2021 Runoff -- Certification**
Motion by Mr. Lang, seconded by Ms. Hodge, that the January 5, 2021 Runoff election be certified. **Mr. Bridges** reported that staff had finished balancing the election on Wednesday afternoon and all aspects of the results balanced perfectly between Elections and Voter Registration. **Ms. Hodge** asked if there would be an audit like the one for the November General Election. **Mr. Bridges** indicated that he was unaware of a need for an audit and stated that the State requirements called for an audit only in certain elections during even-numbered years. **Mr. Mahoney** pointed out that this is a county-level certification with a deadline of this Friday, January 15. All counties must certify before the State can do the same by their deadline of next Friday, January 22. He added that the State had given the county no direction regarding the need for an audit.
Mr. Mahoney then called for the vote. **All voted in favor, motion passed.** **Mr. Mahoney** stated that he would sign the certification form in-person, offering the other Board members the opportunity to do the same.

ADJOURNMENT: **Motion by Mr. Lang** to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.

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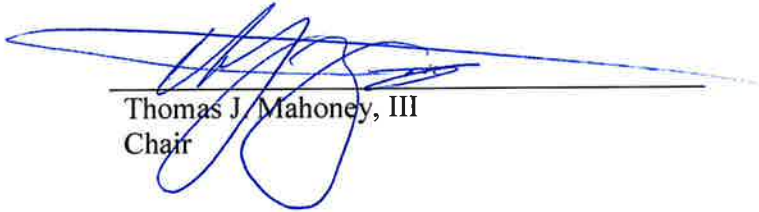
Respectfully Submitted:




Russell Bridges
Supervisor, Secretary to the Board



Date Approved



Thomas J. Mahoney, III
Chair



Notary Signature



Date Notarized

ROBERT S. CARNEY
Notary Public, Chatham County GA
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