

## Special Primary Election - November 2, 2021

# CANVASSING BOARD MEETING Friday, November 5, 2021

County Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye, Chair

Michael Udine, Vice Mayor

Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

Also, in Attendance: Nathaniel A. Klitsberg, Counsel

Brendalyn Edwards, Counsel

Scott Andron, Counsel

SOE Staff

Chief Deputy Mary Hall

Kevron Aird Steven Freivogel Tiawan McNeal Patricia Santiago

Gregg Mendenhall (Consultant)

Convened: 8:30 a.m.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The Canvassing Board meeting was called to order by Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye at 8:30 a.m.

### LOGIC AND ACCURACY TEST

The Logic and Accuracy (L&A) Test is being conducted in preparation for the machine recount. Equipment to be tested: (10) DS850s programed to read Early Voting and Election Day ballots, and (1) DS850 programed to read Vote-by-Mail ballots.

L&A Test Script provided to the Canvassing Board members.

Zero report from the DS850s provided to the Canvassing Board members for review. Motion that all machines are zero out was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Motion to proceed with the Logic and Accuracy Test was approved by the Canvassing Board members.

Anything reviewed and rejected by the Canvassing Board members yesterday will be available for Public Inspection at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to Recess at 8:56 a.m./ back at 9:07 a.m.

L&A Test concluded. Results presented to Canvassing Board members for review. Motion that Summary Report matched script was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

All L&A materials will be stored in a bin with seal# 1952391 and 1952392. Motion to zero out all DS850 machines was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Zero report from each DS850 machine was presented to the Canvassing Board members to confirm that machines have been cleared out. Motion to approved zero report was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Motion to proceed with the machine recount was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Mary Hall presented (2) Early Voting ballots that need to be hand duplicated. Canvassing Board approved for ballots to be duplicated.

After the Public Inspection, there were (2) ballots in question. These signed by other than voter ballots were reviewed and rejected earlier by the Canvassing Board members. VBM ballots were signed by a person from the same household who also requested a Vote-by-Mail ballot. Motion to reconsider VBM ballot was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Motion to approve ballot already reviewed was granted by the Canvassing Board members. No motion to reconsider second ballot, address does not match.

(5) VBM ballots in question. These ballots were previously rejected due to signature on voter's certificate not matching the signature on file. No motion and ballots return to Election staff for further research.

Hand duplication of (2) ballots will be performed by two Election staff members from the opposite party affiliation. Duplicate ballot # 034035 and X44035.

Motion to approve hand duplicated ballots was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

- (1) VBM ballot with signature differ. Voter and person who signed the ballot certificate live together in the same unit number. Election staff confirmed that by contacting the voter who signed the voter certificate. Motion to approve ballot with no second; ballot was returned to Election staff.
- (5) VBM ballots that Canvassing Board requested more signature samples from the system. 4 out of the 5 had additional signature information.

Motion to consider the 4 ballots with additional signature information was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Motion to approve ballot previously rejected was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Name on ballot certificate is Gilbert Saldarriaga.

Motion to reject ballot previously rejected was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Name on ballot certificate is Sven Sariano.

Motion to approved ballot previously rejected was granted by the Canvassing Board. Name on ballot certificate is Terrill Martin.

Motion to reject ballot previously rejected was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Name on ballot certificate is Jaclyn Siu.

Motion to look at (1) Election Day ballot segregated from the machine recount at the beginning of the manual recount when called by the State.

The Second Unofficial Report presented to the Canvassing Board members for review. Motion to approve Second Unofficial Report was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Recess at 2:34 p.m./ back at 3:19 p.m.

Manual Recount Power Point presentation by Nathaniel Klitsberg.

The Canvassing Board reviewed (1) Election Day ballot segregated from the machine recount. Motion to approve vote for Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick as a valid vote agreed by Canvassing Board members.

Manual Recount of the overvotes and undervotes ballots began.

- (1) Ballot in question presented to the Canvassing Board members for review. Motion that it is a vote for Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick was granted by the Canvassing Board members.
- (3) Voter intent ballots presented to Canvassing Board members for review. Motion to consider that ballots are overvotes was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The Canvassing Board members will recess until Friday, November 12, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.

#### **RECESS**

With no further business to be conducted, Judge Deborah Carpenter-Toye recessed the Canvassing Board meeting at 4:27 p.m. to reconvene on Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.