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General Election – November 3, 2026

CANVASSING BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, November 3, 2026

IN ATTENDANCE:

Canvassing Board Members
- County Judge Melinda Brown, Chair
- County Commissioner Michael Udine
- Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

SOE Staff
- Mary Hall, Chief Deputy Supervisor of Elections
- Robert Scott, Information Technology Director
- Tiawan McNeal, Voter Services Director
- Kevron Aird, Election Systems Manager
- Other members of the SOE's staff

Also, in Attendance
- Devona Reynolds Perez, SOE Counsel
- Scott Andron, Canvassing Board Counsel
- Members of the Public

MEETING CONVENED: 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Judge Melinda Brown at 4:00 p.m. Present were Judge Melinda Brown, Commissioner Michael Udine and Supervisor of Elections Joe Scott.

Pledge of Allegiance

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was granted by the present Canvassing Board members.

Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 212 Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots containing voter-intent markings to the Canvassing Board for review and determination. The Board requested the original copy of ballot # 3307 for closer review.

Lisa Rask, representing the Republican Party, pointed out the arrows on the races from the ballot being reviewed. Judge Melinda Brown was already reviewing the guidance provided by the Division of Elections. The Board made a determination and continued reviewing ballots containing voter-intent markings. The Board requested original copies of ballots #3385 and #3398 for closer review.

Rita Reagon inquired why races with stray marks in the voting bubbles were being counted as overvotes. The Judge responded that the Board was following the rules and guidance provided by the State.

The Board requested the original copy of ballot #3448 for closer review.

The Board recessed for five minutes at 5:10 p.m.

Following the recess, Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 547 blank VBM ballots to the Board. A motion to make the blank ballots available for public inspection was approved by the Board.

Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 67 VBM ballots containing overvotes for the Board's review and confirmation. The Board confirmed that all 67 ballots contained overvotes.

The Board recessed until 6:00 p.m.

Jim Pruden, representing the Republican Party, informed the Board that all ballots reviewed during public inspection were blank and that there were no objections.

Following the recess, Chief Deputy Mary Hall addressed the Board and advised that there were no ballots, or other items ready for the Board's review at that time.

The Board recessed until 7:00 p.m.

Following the recess, Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 15 VBM ballots containing overvotes for the Board's review and confirmation. The Board confirmed that all 15 ballots contained overvotes.

Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 82 blank VBM ballots to the Board. A motion to make the ballots available for public inspection was approved by the Board.

Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented 66 VBM ballots containing voter-intent markings for the Board's review and determination.

Jim Pruden, representing the Republican Party, reviewed the 82 ballots made available for public inspection and confirmed that all were blank. He stated that there were no objections.

The Board requested a original copy of ballot #3485 for closer review.

Ben Williams, Director of Operations, presented the provisional ballots cast during Early Voting to the Board. The ballots were stored in a secured bin bearing seal numbers 0473480 and 0473470.

The first set of provisional ballots presented for the Board's review consisted of ballots cast by registered voters who had not previously voted and had signatures on file.

Jim Pruden, representing the Republican Party, inquired about the reasons the provisional ballots had been issued and why signatures were on file. Judge Brown read each reason for issuance of a provisional ballot as documented on the corresponding provisional ballot envelope.

Two voters registered after the October 22nd book-closing deadline and cast provisional ballots. A motion to reject these ballots was approved by the Board.

Two voters had an ineligible status. A motion to reject these ballots was approved by the Board.

One voter had been removed from the voter registration rolls at the voter's request, and the signature on file did not match the voter's signature. A motion to reject the provisional ballot was approved by the Board. Supervisor Joe Scott requested that staff contact the voter and ask him to complete a new voter registration application. Legal counsel recommended that the voter contact the Election Crime Investigation Division to file a fraud complaint. A motion to tabulate the provisional ballots accepted by the Board was approved.

10 VBM ballots with voter intent presented to the Board for determination.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Canvassing Board meeting will be held on Friday, November 6th at 9:00 a.m.

RECESS

There being no further business to come before the Board, Judge Melinda Brown recessed the Canvassing Board meeting at 11:23 p.m.