Primary Election - August 23, 2022
CANVASSING BOARD MEETING
Friday, August 19, 2022

IN ATTENDANCE
Canvassing Board Members:
  County Judge Robert F. Diaz, Chair
  Michael Udine, County Mayor
  Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

SOE Staff:
  Mary Hall, Chief Deputy Supervisor of Elections
  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:  1:00 P.M.

Agenda Item #1: Meeting was called to order by Judge Robert F. Diaz at 1 p.m. Introduction of Canvassing Board members.

Agenda Item #2: Motion to approve the minutes from the preceding Canvassing Board meeting was granted by Canvassing Board members.

Agenda Item #3: Chief Deputy Mary Hall presented the following categories of Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots to the Canvassing Board members.

(210) Duplicated VBM ballots presented to Canvassing Board members for review and approval. Motion to tabulate ballots was granted by Canvassing Board members.

(9) VBM ballots challenged because of signature. Motion to approve Brown’s ballot was granted. Motion to approve Raphael S. ballot was granted. Motion to request a cure affidavit from Raphael M. was granted. Motion to request a cure affidavit from Agnee was granted. Motion to approve Santamarina’s ballot, husband and wife signed each other’s ballot was granted. Motion to approve Cohen’s ballot was granted. Motion to approve Gritchen’s ballot was granted. Motion to approve Escarmet’s ballot was granted. A signature from the election system was not provided for Kitania’s ballot. Canvassing Board will set aside Kitania’s ballot until information is provided by staff.

(381) VBM Voter Intent ballots presented to Canvassing Board members for review and determination. Canvassing Board members gave a motion on each ballot. Motion for VBM ballots to be duplicated and be placed for Public Inspection for members of the public to only
review that duplication of ballots was done correctly was granted by Canvassing Board members.

Mayor Udine and Supervisor of Elections Joe Scott talked about making it part of the ballot creation process to test ballots with markers, to check for bleed throughs, and make sure that ovals do not line up with other side of the ballot.

(257) VBM Overvotes ballots to be reviewed by Canvassing Board members. Motion to approve that 256 VBM ballots are overvote and 1 VBM ballot is damaged and needs to be duplicated was granted by Canvassing Board members. Motion to tabulate overvote VBM ballots.

(310) Sets of Duplicated VBM ballots presented for Canvassing Board members for review.

Motion to recess for 10 minutes was granted. Canvassing Board members will return at 1:15 p.m.

Motion to accept all duplicated VBM ballots and to be placed for Public Inspection was granted by Canvassing Board members.

There was one challenged VBM ballot (Kitania) placed aside that didn’t have a copy of the signature from the system. Ballot was brought to the Canvassing Board members’ attention again for their review. Motion to approve ballot was granted.

(18) Blank VBM ballots presented for review. Motion that 18 VBM ballots are blank was granted by Canvassing Board members.

(51) Duplicated Military & Overseas ballots presented to Canvassing Board members for their review. Motion that ballots are duplicated properly and to be placed for Public Inspection.

(9) No ballot enclosed in returned VBM Voter’s Certificate (precincts: N008, J009, G005, M003, Q061, T012, A004, V027, E014). Motion to accept envelopes as read by Chief Deputy Hall was granted by Canvassing Board members.

(22) VBM ballots with Cure Affidavits. Motion that all 22 ballots are properly cured was granted by Canvassing Board members.

(2) VBM ballots returned with no Voter’s Certificate enclosed. After reviewed of election code 101.64 by counsel – and being that there is no provision to cure. Motion to reject ballots was granted by Canvassing Board members.

NEXT MEETING DATE
Motion to approve next week’s Canvassing Board meeting schedule was granted.

Monday, August 22nd at 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 23rd at 4:00 p.m.

RECESS
With no further business to be conducted, Judge Robert Diaz recessed the Canvassing Board meeting at 4:18 p.m.