Municipal Election – March 9, 2021

CANVASSING BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 1, 2021

County Judge Jill K. Levy, Chair
Michael Udine, County Vice Mayor
Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections

Also, in Attendance: Nathaniel A. Klitsberg, Counsel

SOE Staff
Mary Hall
Patricia Santiago

Gregg Mendenhall – Consultant

Convened: 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER
The Canvassing Board meeting was called to order by Judge Jill K. Levy at 9:00 a.m.

LOGIC & ACCURACY TESTING
Motion to begin with the Logic & Accuracy (L&A) Testing of the Voting and Tabulating Equipment was approved by the Canvassing Board members.

Gregg Mendenhall explained the L&A Testing process to the board. Zero reports will be presented to the Canvassing Board members; then a test deck of paper ballots will be processed through the machines; the results obtained from machines will be compared by the Canvassing Board members with the predetermined results provided. Once results are approved by the Canvassing Board members, machines will be zero out again. The Election Reporting System, (6) DS850 machines, and 5% of the equipment that will be used on election day (10 DS200s and 1 ExpressVote) will be tested today.

Mary Hall told the Canvassing Board members that about 41,000 Vote-by-Mail (VBM) ballots were mailed out for the March Municipal Election. As of today, there are (15) VBM ballots received with no signatures. (4) voters responded with their completed cure affidavit form. Staff members are calling, emailing and sent letters to the remaining (11) voters that have not responded yet to the office with their cure affidavit form. There are (2) signature differs, (8) VBM ballots signed by other than voter, and (2) VBM ballots from voters that moved to another county.
Vote-by-Mail ballots with cure affidavit need to be reviewed by the Canvassing Board members. Ballots are stored in a bag with seal # 0724708. Motion to approve (4) Vote-by-Mail ballots with cure affidavit was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Motion to process (4) Vote-by-Mail ballots was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

9:11 a.m. - Motion to a brief recess was approved by Canvassing Board members.

The Canvassing Board members compared the test results with the predetermined results. Motion to accept the results from the Logic & Accuracy Testing was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Vote-by-Mail ballots will be available for public viewing daily from 8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Motion to approve the public viewing process of the Vote-by-Mail ballots explained by Nathaniel Klitsberg, and to begin tabulation and duplication of the Vote-by-Mail ballots was granted by the Canvassing Board members.

Zero result from the Election Reporting System and (6) DS850 machines, and zero tapes from DS200s were presented to the Canvassing Board members for review. Motion that all machines were zero out and for the machines to be sealed was granted by the Canvassing Board members. Logic & Accuracy Testing materials are saved in a container with seal #s 0329240 and 0329243.

NEXT MEETING DATE
Supervisor Joe Scott will be present to review duplication of the Vote-by-Mail ballots on Wednesday, March 3rd at 3:00 p.m. The next Canvassing Board meeting will be on Tuesday, March 9th at 6:00 p.m.

RECESS
With no further business to be conducted, Judge Jill K. Levy recessed the Canvassing Board meeting at 9:41 a.m.