MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING – 2022 PRIMARY CANVASS

OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF SAN MIGUEL COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

PRESENTED BY GERALDINE GUTIERREZ, COUNTY CLERK

HELD MONDAY, JUNE 13, 2022

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Harold Garcia called the Special Meeting to order at 10:00 AM at the San Miguel County Administration Complex located at 500 West National Avenue Suite 200 Las Vegas, New Mexico 87701. The purpose of the meeting is to canvass the 2022 Primary Election held on June 7, 2022.

Upon a call of the roll by County Clerk Geraldine Gutierrez, Chairman Harold Garcia present, Vice-Chairman Janice Varela present, Commissioner Max Trujillo not present, Commissioner Martin Sena present, and Commissioner Kenneth Medina not present. A quorum was duly established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Deputy Clerk Louanna Ortega led the Pledge, and continued:

SALUTATION TO THE NEW MEXICO STATE FLAG:

"I salute the flag of the State of New Mexico and the Zia Symbol of perfect friendship among United Cultures."

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No changes indicated.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Janice Varela for the approval of the agenda. Second by Commissioner Martin Sena. Motion carried.

REGULAR ORDER

1. CANVASS OF THE JUNE 7, 2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

San Miguel County Clerk Geraldine Gutierrez presented the Board of County Commissioners the Canvass of the Election results for the June 7, 2022 Primary Election. County Clerk Gutierrez yielded the presentation to Chief Deputy Clerk Louanna Ortega:

Chief Deputy Ortega outlined the operational standards on Election Day, and then presented ballot counts for each of the VCCs ballot tabulators by referencing the results tape of each ICE machine. Chairman Harold Garcia read the final ICE results page for each tabulator as County Clerk and Chief Deputy cross-referenced to the final results report. Commissioner Sena and Vice Ghairman Varela participated in the process and voiced questions, corrections and edits as Chairman Garcia read each tape.

VCCs were verified in the following order:

West Las Vegas Schools 'Gillie Lopez' Gymnasium (4 total ICE)
Pecos Independent Schools High School Gymnasium (3 total ICE)
Las Vegas City Schools 'Mike Marr' High School Gymnasium (4 total ICE)
West Las Vegas Schools Valley Elementary/Junior High Gymnasium (2 total ICE)

Upon VCC verification, the Canvass moved on to verify each of the traditional precinct's in the following order:

Precinct 9 Rociada Fire Station

Precinct 10 Mike Mateo Elementary

Precinct 13 Bernal Community Center

Precinct 14 Trujillo School House

Precinct 15 Conchas Fire Station

Precinct 16 Sheridan Fire Station

Precinct 17 Home of Manuel Tenorio, Tecolotito

Precinct 21 San Juan Community Center

Precinct 32 Tecolote Community Center

Precinct 33 Trementina Fire Station

Upon Traditional Precinct verification, the Canvass moved to verify Early Voting held at the San Miguel County Administrative Complex (2 total ICE). Upon SMC Administrative Complex

verification, the Canvass moved on to Early Voting Ribera Community Cultural Center (1 total ICE).

Upon Early Voting Sites verification, the Canvass moved to verify Absentee Voting (3 total ICE). The Absentee ICE results report was verified; in addition, a hand-counted tally sheet was verified as some returned ballots in the envelope when opened have tears or slight imperfections which the ICE ballot tabulator is not able to scan.

Upon Absentee verification, the Canvass moved on to the UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act).

Upon UOCAVA verification, the Canvass moved to verify Election Day Provisional Ballots received from VCC and Traditional Precincts. One Provisional Ballot was rejected because the voter had already voted – no indications of fraud or intent to commit fraud were found.

The Canvass verified Election Day Provisional Ballots.

The ICE result tapes and ballot counts are in concert with the Final Results Report submitted to the Secretary of State.

County Clerk Geraldine Gutierrez requested a Motion to approve the 2022 Primary Election Canvass.

Motion made by Vice Chairman Janice Varela to approve the Canvass of the Election Results for the Primary Election held on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Second by Commissioner Martin Sena. Motion carried.

The Commissioners thanked the County Clerk and Staff on the ease in operations for this Election.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Martin Sena to adjourn the Special Canvass Meeting. Second by Vice Chairman Janice Varela. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:42 PM.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2022 as the Official Minutes of the Board of County Commissioners of San Miguel County New Mexico of its 2022 Primary Election Canvass Special Meeting held June 13, 2022.

Chairman Harold M. Garcia, District 1

Vice-Chairman, Janier C. Varela District 2

Commissioner, Max Trujillo, District 3

Commissioner, Martin Sena District 4

Commissioner, Kenneth Medina District 5

ATTEST:

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Minutes submitted by Jacob P. Gonzales