

SALT LAKE COUNTY

*2001 S State Street, N1-100
Salt Lake City, UT 84114*



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 22, 2022

4:00 PM

The meeting will commence at the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

Room N1-110

Board of Canvassers

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- How many signatures were rejected by machine when used to verify signatures on ballots?
 - How many signatures required manual verification?
 - How many signatures had to go through the signature procurement process, and of those, how many could not be cured?
 - How many ballot envelopes were opened manually?
 - How many ballots were duplicated, and how many ballots were duplicated without poll watchers present?
 - How many ballots were adjudicated, how many were adjudicated per race, and how many were adjudicated without poll watchers present?
 - What is the control implementation and verification with regard to harvesting, particularly around nursing homes and other vulnerable populations?
 - Did employees of the Clerk's Office review video footage from cameras on ballot drop boxes to prevent ballot harvesting and taking advantage of vulnerable populations?
 - How many people had administrative privileges to use the script in the thumb drive, and did the person who added votes know votes could be added with the script?
 - What is the reason for the access-based control, and were there other controls in implementation verification for those people who had that access?
 - Who decided to buy the in-person voting machines that allowed the ability for someone to add votes using a script and elevated privileges?
 - Can votes be added in a similar manner to tabulators used to count mail in votes, and what are the controls in place with that?
 - Why did Salt Lake County allow someone to run an election when their name was on the ballot, and what controls were put in place to deal with the appearance of impropriety of having someone whose name was on the ballot working on and running the election?
 - Why did Salt Lake County report its data in a manner that was different and less detailed than Utah County's when under Utah Code Section 20A-3A-405, Salt Lake County is supposed to report certain statistics on certain days, once it starts processing ballots?
 - What private organizations were hired to recruit poll workers, and how many poll workers did each private organization recruit?
 - What is the partisan makeup of the poll workers?
 - Can the Clerk's Office provide data it relied on in the 2020 election when disputing the Salt Lake County GOP Election Integrity Commission's data?
 - Does the taped yellow brick road for poll watchers comply with the Americans with

so it had to reach out to other offices to help it get this done by the deadline. She responded to the questions, with the following answers:

- A total of 357,416 by-mail ballots were returned, 51,000 of those ballots were dropped on the day before Election Day and 99,000 on Election Day, and 330,183 voted in person on or before Election Day.
- Turnout for this mid-term election was 65 percent.
- The number of signatures requiring manual signature verification was 116,616.
- The number of ballots that had to go through the signature curing process was 6,501, with 3,653 signatures uncured.
- The Clerk's Office has an extractor to open ballots, but it was down one day, on which day the ballots had to be manually opened. However, that process still preserved security and secrecy of the ballot.
- There were 882 ballots replicated, and replication is done by teams of two. Most of those ballots are emailed from overseas. That is the only way they can be run through the scanners.
- With regard to ballot harvesting, she had no way to track how many ballots were sent to people in nursing homes, nor did she have the authority to determine whether someone was competent to vote.
- Her office did not review footage from the surveillance cameras at the drop boxes to determine whether ballot harvesting had taken place because that would have required 12,000 hours of surveillance for which staff did not have time. However, that is saved and stored. The law precludes someone from depositing ballots for another voter except under certain circumstances, i.e. if they are a postal worker or reside in the same household as the voter and the voter has a medical situation.
- The selection of the voting machines was done by the Clerk's entire management team, which made a unanimous decision. That was also put before the Technical Advisory Board, which also made the unanimous decision this was the best system for Salt Lake County. The machines are certified by the Election Assistance Commission and the Lieutenant Governor's Office, and it is a rigid certification process.
- The Clerk's duties are set by State statute to oversee elections. The Clerk's Office complied with all posting requirements according to the statute, including new requirements this year.
- The Clerk's Office did not secure poll workers from a private organization, with the exception of asking the League of Women Voters if it could provide poll workers when it was in dire need, and the League of Women Voters did send about 20 people to help for several days. Poll workers were people wanting to serve, many of whom have served for years, some of whom were appointed by caucuses. She did not know

Canvassers has satisfactorily reviewed the summary report and declared each candidate who received the highest number of votes and any ballot proposition or measure that obtained more yes than no votes, it can certify the final vote totals and ballot counts and sign a final vote report.

Mr. Mitchell Park, Legal Counsel, Council Office, stated in years past, the Board has certified the votes in one motion.

A motion was made by Board Member Bradshaw, seconded by Board Member Winder Newton, to accept the Canvass report from the Clerk verifying the vote totals provided on the list are accurate, and approve this agenda item. The motion carried by the following votes:

Aye: Board Member Winder Newton
Board Member Bradshaw
Board Member Granato
Board Member Alvord
Board Member Theodore
Board Member Stringham
Board Member Snelgrove
Board Member Bradley
Cushing

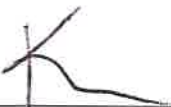
Excused: Board Member DeBry

4. Other Board Business

5. ADJOURN for RDA

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

LANNIE CHAPMAN, COUNTY CLERK

By 
DEPUTY CLERK

By 
CHAIR, BOARD OF CANVASSERS