

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTAL

Otero County Commission

Submitted by: Robyn Holmes, County Clerk
Meeting date: Thursday, July 14, 2022

Subject:	Request approval of June 17, 2022 Emergency Meeting
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Research/Background:

The County Clerk has proof read the minutes for spelling, grammatical and punctuation errors.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Sources:

Staff/Department Recommended Actions:

I, Robyn Holmes recommends approval of minutes as attached.

County Attorney Review (*if needed*):

Supporting Documents/Attachments/Links

Emergency Meeting Minutes

The Board of County Commissioners, in and for the County of Otero, State of New Mexico met in an Emergency Meeting at the Administration Building in Alamogordo, County and State aforesaid. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:00 p.m., June 17, 2022; and she announced that reasonable notice for this meeting was given to the Alamogordo Daily News and Radio Stations, KYEE, KZZX and KINN.

Present:

- Vickie Marquardt Chairman
- Gerald Matherly Vice-Chairman
- Couy Griffin Member (Telephonically)
- Pamela Heltner County Manager
- R.B. Nichols County Attorney
- Sylvia Tillbrook Executive Assistant
- Lynn Estrada Deputy Clerk

Roll call was taken as follows:

- Commissioner Marquardt Here
- Commissioner Matherly Here
- Commissioner Griffin Here

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Marquardt made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matherly. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. Request approval to Certify the Canvass of the 2022 Primary Election.

Commissioner Marquardt made a motion to recess the Regular Meeting and convene as the Canvassing Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matherly. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Marquardt read several statutes pertaining to the Commission sitting as the Canvass Board and what responsibilities they have. Robyn Holmes, County Clerk has cleared up all her concerns with the votes coming from certain addresses.

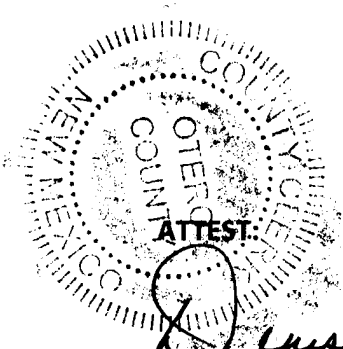
Commissioner Matherly thanked Ms. Holmes for answering all the questions that he had and checking on all the issues that he had. We don't have any facts in black and white that anything went wrong in the 2022 Primary Election.

Commissioner Griffin stated that we should be able to do an outside audit of the election without the attacks that were received. This is only because we stood up to the people at the top.

Commissioner Marquardt stated that if we don't sign the canvass, we can get fined, imprisoned, removed from office and the governor replace our seat. She believes that we can do the County good by remaining in our seat, rather than give them up to someone else.

Commissioner Marquardt made a motion to approve to certify the Canvass of the 2022 Primary Election. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matherly. A vote was taken and the motion passed 2-1 with Commissioner Griffin voting against.

The Chairman recessed the Canvassing Board and returned to Regular Session. There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the Meeting at 4:21 p.m.



ATTEST:
Robyn Holmes
Robyn Holmes, County Clerk *Chief Deputy*

APPROVED:
Vickie Marquardt
Vickie Marquardt, Chairman