



NOVEMBER 9, 2018

The Board of Chaves County Commissioners held a Special Commission Meeting in the Commission Chamber of the Joe Skeen Building, #1 St. Mary's Place in Roswell, New Mexico. Chairman Corn called the meeting to order at 2:00p.m. Commissioner Duffey led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner Ezzell led in prayer. Those present were Commissioners Corn, Ezzell, Cavin and Duffey. Commissioner Bilberry was absent. Also present were County Manager Stan Riggs, Public Services Director Bill Williams, Assessor Mark Willard, Sheriff Britt Snyder, County Clerk Dave Kunko, news media, staff and guests.

2018 GENERAL ELECTION CANVASS

Mr. Kunko thanked all poll workers and stated they are what makes election day work all across the nation. He thanked his staff for all the work they put into this election and how they come together every election. He compared the turnout of this General Election with the turnout in 2014. In 2014, 12,974 eligible voters cast ballots and the percentage turnout was 38%. In 2018, 16,760 eligible voters cast ballots and the percentage turnout was 51%. Mr. Kunko stated there were 71 ballots received by the Clerk's Office. 66 of those ballots were provisional and 5 were first time voters registering by mail that needed to provide an I.D. Of the 71 ballots, 25 were disqualified and 41 of the provisional ballots were qualified. Most of the disqualified ballots were not registered and most of the qualified ballots did not receive their absentee ballot. The Canvassing Board chose to have the ballots read and tallied right in the Commission Chamber. The 5 ballots that required an I.D. were opened first. Of the 5 ballots only 1 had a copy of their I.D. Once that ballot was tallied the other 41 qualified ballots were tallied. At 4:25 the Chairman asked how long it would take to input the votes into the Statewide system. He was told it would take about an hour since they had to be done by precinct.

The Chairman recessed the meeting at 4:29 to be reconvened at the Regular Commission Meeting on Thursday, November 15, 2018.

The Chairman reconvened the Canvas at 9:12a.m. during the Regular Commission Meeting on November 15, 2018. Mr. Kunko explained the process of inputting the qualified provisional ballots into the system. He presented the totals to the Commission. Commissioner Duffey moved to approve the Chaves County Canvass of the 2018 General Election. Commissioner Bilberry seconded the motion. A voice vote was unanimous and the motion carried. The Canvass was adjourned at 9:16a.m.

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