

ST. LUCIE COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD ACTION MINUTES
FOR SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 SPECIAL ELECTION
CANVASSING OF VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

CANVASSING BOARD ATTENDEES:

- ❖ Gertrude Walker, Supervisor of Elections
- ❖ James Stokes (City of Port St. Lucie City Attorney)
- ❖ Sally Walsh (City Clerk – City of Port St. Lucie)

ALSO PRESENT:

- ❖ Caroline Valentin, Esq. (St. Lucie County Assistant Attorney)
- ❖ Katherine Barbieri, Esq. (St. Lucie County Assistant Attorney)
- ❖ Nicholas Gieseler, Esq. (Supervisor of Elections Attorney)
- ❖ Judith Durogene (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Kris Barcomb (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Debra Hall (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Neal Sullivan (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Tywann Clemons (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ John Spradlin (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Other Supervisor of Elections Staff
- ❖ Kathy Cabre Enloe (Court Reporter-Esquire Reporting, Inc.)

PUBLIC ATTENDEE SPEAKERS:

- ❖ NONE

CANVASSING BOARD BUSINESS:

- ❖ Meeting called to order at 7:01 a.m. Supervisor Walker introduces Board attendees and staff and advises this meeting was published 7/21/2021 and 8/18/2021 in the Tribune and 7/22/2021 in El Hispano.
- ❖ Supervisor Walker thanks the poll workers for assisting and gives instructions on processing of Vote-by-Mail ballots.
- ❖ Supervisor Walker announced 6,298 Vote-by-Mail ballots are to be processed today, with 27 Vote-by-Mail ballots with Signature Cure Affidavits.

- ❖ Cage containing Vote-by-Mail ballots was opened, with Seal #0426285 broken.
- ❖ Supervisor Walker inquired if there was anyone wishing to inspect the ballots; there being no request for inspection.
- ❖ Supervisor Walker calls for public comment; no comments made.
- ❖ Mr. Stokes made a motion to begin ballot inspection. Second by Ms. Walsh. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ Mr. Stokes made motion to begin canvassing of Vote-By-Mail ballots. Second by Ms. Walsh. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker explains the Signature Cure Affidavit process. The Canvassing Board inspects and canvasses the Vote-by-Mail ballots with Signature Cure Affidavits utilizing the overhead projector for persons present to view. Those ballots accepted were given to staff for tabulation.
- ❖ The Canvassing Board inspects and duplicates those Vote-by-Mail ballots needing to be duplicated due to stray marks, damaged ballots and/or under or overvoted ballots. Those ballots were sent for tabulation.
- ❖ Mr. Stokes announced that the original ballots that were duplicated were placed in a sealed box under Seal #273, and signed off on by all Canvassing Board members.
- ❖ Mr. Stokes announced that the Signature Cure Affidavits were placed in a sealed box under Seal #270, and signed off on by all Canvassing Board members.
- ❖ Mr. Stokes announced that the rejected Vote-by-Mail ballots were placed in a sealed box under Seal #271.
- ❖ Ms. Walsh made a motion to approve the Canvassing Board meeting minutes from September 2, 2021. Motion carries unanimously.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker thanked everyone for attending and announced date and time of next meeting
- ❖ All ballots were placed and sealed in a cage under Seal #0649703.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker made a motion to adjourn. Second by Ms. Walsh. Motion carries unanimously
- ❖ Meeting adjourned at 10:52 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Cabre Enloe, Court Reporter