

Minutes from the June 19, 2020 BOCC Special Meeting

June 19, 2020

10:00 a.m.

Esmeralda County Courthouse

Commission Chambers

233 Crook Ave., 2nd Floor

Goldfield, Nevada

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL.

Delon "De" Winsor -	Chairman
Timothy Hipp -	Vice-Chairman – On the phone
Ralph Keyes -	Commissioner – On the phone
Robert Glennen -	District Attorney
LaCinda Elgan -	Clerk of the Board

D.A. Robert Glennen said, as a legal matter, this should be called a Special Meeting, not an Emergency Meeting because we gave proper notice. It will be fixed in the minutes.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)
No public comment.

3. ***FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION/DECISION:** Approve and Accept the Canvass of Vote for the 2020 Primary Election. (LaCinda Elgan)

LaCinda said we got this compiled yesterday afternoon. We had to wait for some information from the Secretary of State's office. All of the votes have been tallied. We had it on the agenda for the 16th, but Clark County informed us that day that they had some of our ballots so we had to wait for those to be send here to tally those up. LaCinda went over the statement of vote. Of the 548 registered voters in the county at this time and we received 227 ballots back. Our turnout was 41 percent and that is nice because the average is only 35 percent. So, we are over average.

LaCinda said the Secretary of State's office has the final details for all contests.

Commissioner Keyes made the motion to approve and accept the Canvass of Vote for the June 9, 2020 Primary Election. Commissioner Hipp seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** (Discussion only. Action may not be taken on any matter brought up under this agenda item. It must be placed on an agenda, at a later meeting for action.)

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Brad Maxwell came up and said he came to vote on that day. He said he didn't realize we had sent out ballots. He thought they were just information on the candidates. LaCinda said it was published in the newspaper per the requirements of the Secretary of State's office. She said she had to verify with them that she did that. Brad said that doesn't help a guy that doesn't get the newspaper, does it? He thought it was required to be in a federal post office. LaCinda told Mr. Maxwell, when he came into the Clerk's office at 5 minutes before the election was over, she gave him the option to generate a ballot for him. She asked him to bring the ballot to her so she could spoil it. He said he didn't have a ballot and didn't understand that she could have another ballot made. She said she was sorry he missed the notice and that he misunderstood her. He said the point is they still should have made it available for him to vote. He said there are plenty of protective measures that could have been taken. He said again it should have been posted in the federal post office.

LaCinda again sincerely apologized. He said it didn't change anything and he still couldn't vote that day. He wasn't even angry with her. He just thinks people need to understand that notices need to be put up in public where people can see. When we sent things out in the mail it doesn't necessarily mean he is going to pick it up and read it. He said he doesn't go to the post office but about every two weeks. He said just because Cindy has a county vehicle and she can access it any time; he doesn't have a vehicle right now. LaCinda said she doesn't have a county vehicle; she uses her own vehicle. She said she is not going to go down this road anymore. Mr. Maxwell yelled and told her to shut up. Commissioner Winsor said that is enough. Mr. Maxwell said he did not come up to talk to LaCinda in the first place. Commissioner Winsor said again that that was enough. He said the state mandated that the whole state do it this way and he is sure a lot of people were in the same boat and Mr. Maxwell because they are just not used to it.

D.A. Glennen came up and said public comment is public comment and not necessarily for us to explain the comments and we are just trying to be an "open window". He said the state and the Attorney General looked at how this primary was done and there was nothing legally wrong.

5. ***ADJOURNMENT:**

Commissioner Hipp made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Winsor seconded the motion. All in favor: Motion carried.