Board of Canvassers

May 14, 2024 Primary Election

The Commissioners of the Preston County Commission will be sitting as the Board of Canvassers on **Monday, May 20, 2024 at 10:45 a.m.** located at the Election Center, 157 Plaza Court, Kingwood, WV.

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OR PRESTON, Ss:

The Preston County Commission met at 10:45 a.m., May 20, 2024, as a Board of Canvassers for the May 14, 2024 Primary Election in the Preston Count Election Center at the Corner Mall, Kingwood Plaza.

The meeting was called to order by President Don Smith who declared the following Commissioners present: Samantha Stone, Hunter Thomas and Don Smith.

The Commissioners continued as a Board of Canvassers with all Commissioners present, as well as County Clerk, Linda Huggins and County Administrator Nathan Raybeck.

President Smith advised that every candidate who asks for a recount shall be required to furnish bond in a reasonable amount with good sufficient surety to guarantee payment of the costs and the expenses of the recount in the event the result of the election is not changed by the recount: but the amount of the bond shall in no case exceed \$300.

Also, in attendance was: Jacob Martin, Nichelle Powers, Sabrina Golden, Carrie Davis, Jennifer Graham and Roy Watkins

Canvassing Teams were made up of:

Team: Angie Lipscomb, Ellen Riggs, Angie Whetsell, Tara Myers

Team: April Knotts, Laura Hooton, Carl Ervin, Janet Robinson

Team: Hope Uphold, Victoria Hammond, Deanna Lively, Maria Hettinger

County Clerk, Linda Huggins administered an Oath of Canvass to all the individuals in attendance as Canvass Board Members for the 2024 Primary Election.

During a random draw, Jacob Martin chose Precinct #8 to be canvassed during the May 20, 2024 meeting, held earlier, of the Preston County Commission. Precincts 27 and 27T will be recounted also.

Twenty-six (26) Provisional Ballots were presented before the County Commission for their decision whether to count or not.

Commissioner Stone moved to accept eight (8) of the provisional ballots to count. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners Stone, Thomas and Smith voting yes. Motion carried.

Ten (10) Absentee Ballots were presented to the County Commission for consideration to count.

Commissioner Stone made a motion to accept eight (8) Absentee ballots and include them in the final totals. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners Stone, Thomas and Smith voting yes. Motion carried.

At 12:33 p.m., President Smith announced a brief recess would be taken for lunch.

Nichelle Powers pulled the Canvass Report and the totals for the 2024 Primary Election. The totals were verified by the Commission.

Commissioner Thomas moved to DECLARE the 2024 Primary Election results as stated in the document. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken with Commissioners Thomas and Smith voting yes. Motion carried.

At 3:15 p.m., President Smith officially adjourned as a Board of Canvassers.

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