## MINUTES OF THE BLAINE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

## March 8, 2024

The Blaine County Election Board met in a SPECIAL meeting at 1:00 p.m., in Basement Room 6 of the Blaine County Courthouse. Advance notice of the meeting was performed by filing a written notice with the County Clerk on March 4, 2024 at 10:35 a.m. and by posting an agenda at the County Election Board office on March 4, 2024 at 10:38 a.m.

Present:

Mike Russell, Chair

Lana Melchor, Vice Chair Brenda Rice, Secretary

## BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING

- **1. BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Call to Order and announcement of a quorum. **ACTION TAKEN:** Mrs. Melchor, Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. with a quorum present.
- **2. BUSINESS CONDUCTED**: Discuss and approve the minutes for the meeting held March 5, 2024. ACTION TAKEN: Mrs. Melchor moved that the minutes of the above meeting be approved. Ms. Rice seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: two to zero.
- **3. BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Canvass and count verified provisional ballots for the March 5, 2024 Presidential Preferential Primary /Special Elections. ACTION TAKEN: The Board opened verified provisional ballots and security envelopes. Ballots were counted using a voting device designated for this purpose. Two provisional ballots were cast in the March 5, 2024 Presidential Preferential Primary/Special Elections. Two ballots were counted.
- **4. BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Recess meeting, if necessary, and reconvene. Mrs. Melchor made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. and reconvene at 4:45 p.m. in the same location. Ms. Rice seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: two to zero.

Mr. Russell, Chairman, arrived at the meeting at this point. He announced that he had been unavoidably detained.

The meeting was reconvened at 4:45 p.m. in the Blaine County Election Board office Room 6 and called to order by Mr. Russell. All members were present.

**5. BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Certify the March 5, 2024 Presidential Preferential Primary Election results.

ACTION TAKEN: Mrs. Melchor moved to certify the results of the above election. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes.

Motion passed: three to zero. (One copy of the Official Certification Report is attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

**6. BUSINESS DISCUSSED:** Certify the March 5, 2024 Special Election results for the following municipality district which Blaine County is the parent County Election Board:

Town of Canton

ACTION TAKEN: Mrs. Melchor moved to certify the results of the above election. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero. (One copy of the Official Certification Report is attached hereto and incorporated herein.)

7. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Discuss dates and times for future County Election Board meetings.

ACTION TAKEN: The Secretary announced that a Recount Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. will be canceled. The next scheduled meeting is June 18, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

8. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Adjournment.

ACTION TAKEN: Mrs. Melchor moved to adjourn until the next meeting Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero. Meeting Adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Mike Russell, Chairman

Mary Larson, Alternate Chairman

Lana Melchor, Vice-Chairman

Karen Gilliland, Alternate Vice-Chairman

Brenda Rice, Secretary