MINUTES OF THE BLAINE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

June 29, 2018

The Blaine County Election Board met in a REGULAR meeting at 4:45 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 November 9, 2017 at 10:24 a.m. and by posting an agenda at the County Election Board office on June 12, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. One copy each of the notice and agenda is attached.

The following members were present: Mike Russell Chairman; Lana Melchor, Vice-Chairman and Brenda Rice, Secretary. Jana Loewen, Clerk, was also present. Mr. Russell called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

BUSINESS CONDUCTED AT THE MEETING

- 1. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED**: Discuss and approve the minutes for the meeting held June 26, 2018. ACTION TAKEN: Mrs. Melchor moved that the minutes of the meeting held June 26, 2018 be approved. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.
- 2. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Receive and count verified provisional ballots. ACTION TAKEN: Secretary Rice stated that 7 provisional ballots were cast in 2 precincts on Election Day. The information on 4 of the 7 provisional ballots affidavits was verified by County Election Board personnel and those ballots have been approved for counting. The other 3 provisional ballots have been rejected because one of the voters did not registered to vote until after the deadline, one voter's provisional ballot affidavit was not completed and one voter was deleted for inactivity. Mrs. Melchor made a motion to accept and count the 4 verified provisional ballots. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mrs. Melchor-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.

The Board members then followed established procedures to prepare the ballots for counting. The Board members observed while Jana Loewen, Clerk and Lana Melchor Vice-Chairman scanned the ballots through the eScan voting device to count them. The Board examined tabulation reports and unofficial certification reports.

3. BUSINESS CONDUCTED: Certify the final election results for federal, state, county offices and all state questions included on the ballot.

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.)

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

ACTION TAKEN: The Secretary informed the Board Members that the next County Election Board Meeting will be Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. for a Contest of Candidacy Hearing, if needed and August 28, 2018 at 6:00 pm. for the Runoff Primary Election, if needed.

7. 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 5:27p.m.

Mike Russell, Chairman

Lana Melchor, Vice-Chairman

Mary Jac Rauh, Alternate Chairman

Farrol Boyd, Alternate Vice-Chairman

Brenda Rice, Secretary