

# MINUTES OF THE BLAINE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD

**November 9, 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 November 7, 2018 at 12:01 p.m. One copy each of the notice and agenda is attached.

The following members were present: Mike Russell Chairman; Farrol Boyd, Alternate 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 November 6, 2018. **ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Boyd moved that the minutes of the meeting held November 6, 2018 be approved. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Russell-yes, Mr. Boyd-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.

2. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Canvass and count verified provisional ballots for the November 6, 2018 General Election.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Secretary Rice stated that 1 provisional ballot was cast in 1 precinct on Election Day. The information on the provisional ballot affidavit was verified by County Election Board personnel and that the ballot has been approved for counting. Mr. Boyd made a motion to accept the provisional ballot. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Russell-yes, Mr. Boyd-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.

The Board members then followed established procedures to prepare the ballot for counting. The Board members observed while Jana Loewen, Clerk scanned the ballot through the eScan voting device. The Board examined tabulation reports and unofficial certification reports.

3. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Approve vacancy of In-Person Absentee Voting Board Member.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Mr. Russell made a motion to approve the vacancy. Mr. Boyd seconded the motion. **ROLL CALL VOTE:** Mr. Russell-yes, Mr. Boyd-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.

4. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Appoint permanent In-Person Absentee Voting Board Member.

**ACTION TAKEN:** Secretary Rice stated that Barbara Underwood would like to be appointed to this position. Mr. Boyd made the motion to appoint Barbara Underwood as the Democrat In-Person Absentee voting Board Member. Mr. Russell seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mr. Boyd-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero.

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

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

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

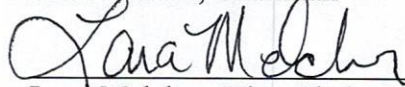
ACTION TAKEN: The Secretary informed the Board Members that the next County Election Board Meeting will be November 15, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. for recount hearing, if needed.

7. **BUSINESS CONDUCTED:** Adjournment.

ACTION TAKEN: Mr. Boyd moved to adjourn until the next meeting. Mr. Russell seconded the motion. ROLL CALL VOTE: Mr. Russell-yes, Mr. Boyd-yes, Ms. Rice-yes. Motion passed: three to zero. Meeting Adjourned at 5:12p.m.



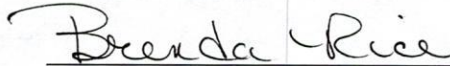
Mike Russell, Chairman



Lana Melchor, Vice-Chairman

Mary Jac Rauh, Alternate Chairman

Farrol Boyd, Alternate Vice-Chairman



Brenda Rice, Secretary

