

Buffalo County Minutes

Committee/Board: Buffalo County Board of Canvass

Date of Meeting: Monday, April 11, 2016

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Roxann Halverson, County Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Roxann Halverson, Kim Postl and Janna Herold.

Review/Discussion/Action regarding April 5, 2016 Election Results:

County Clerk Halverson began the meeting explaining the difficulties she had with the Word program that was used for the February Election Night Unofficial Results Report. At the past election she was unable to get an Excel spreadsheet to upload to the new website the County is using and resorted to using a Word spreadsheet that does not total the results nor does it adjust the columns for the text. This presented a problem on this election night as the turnout for this election was so great. This resulted in the unofficial totals to be off for the Presidential Preference Democratic Candidate Hillary Clinton. This error was caught at approximately 2:00 A.M. when the County Clerk was at home, but was unable to be fixed until the County Clerk returned to work at 7:30 a.m. The correction was made and an updated report was sent to the Associated Press, Mondovi Herald News, and Brommerich News Service. County Clerk Halverson explained that she has researched better ways to enter unofficial results on election night. She will be using an Excel spreadsheet that will automatically total the results and converting it to a PDF document that will be able to be uploaded to the website. She has already tested this process with the current election results and the website did accept the PDF document. There was also a change in the vote totals for Ted Cruz. The results sent in for Buffalo City originally showed no votes were cast for Ted Cruz. The Municipal Clerk called the day after the election and reported the error.

The Board of Canvass began reviewing election documents submitted by the Municipal Clerks.

Town of Alma – No vote changes.

Town of Belvidere – No vote changes.

Town of Buffalo – No vote changes. Totals are not shown on tally sheet for presidential candidates.

Town of Canton – No vote changes.

Town of Cross – No vote changes.

Town of Dover – No vote changes.

Town of Gilmanton – Vote changes due to 2 late arriving absentee ballots. Late arriving absentee ballots were not reported on election night.

Town of Glencoe – Poll List front page showed 188 voters, GAB-190 showed 189 voters. BOC hand counted voters and came up with 190 voters. Error was found that voter #118 signed both the supplemental and the regular Poll List. There were 189 voters.

Town of Lincoln – Front page of Poll List shows 108 voters and GAB-104 showed 104. BOC hand counted voters and came up with 108.

Town of Maxville – No vote changes.

Town of Milton – Poll List front page shows 206 and 207 voters. GAB-190 shows #167 used twice. Review of Poll List shows 208 voters and Numbers 165 and 127 were used twice, not 167.

Town of Modena – No vote changes. Workers reported 2 voters were not on poll list and a search of WisVote showed they should have been on there as they are still active. An email was sent to the GAB to question this.

Town of Mondovi - Votes changed for John Kasich. 8 machines votes were not accounted for on the tally sheets.

Town of Montana – No vote changes.

Town of Naples – No vote changes.

Town of Nelson – No vote changes.

Town of Waumandee – No vote changes.

Village of Cochrane – No vote changes.

Village of Nelson – Write in Republican Presidential and Undervotes had wrong totals on them. Inspectors Statement not complete.

City of Alma – No vote changes.

City of Buffalo City – Change in Ted Cruz votes. Total was reported as 0 on election night. Error was caught next day and added in. BOC confirmed vote totals.

City of Fountain City – No vote changes.

City of Mondovi – Vote changes due to late arriving absentee ballots.

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxann M. Halverson
Buffalo County Clerk