

ST. LUCIE COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD ACTION MINUTES  
FOR AUGUST 20, 2024 PRIMARY ELECTION

***AUGUST 23, 2024***

**CANVASSING BOARD ATTENDEES:**

- ❖ Judge Daryl Isenhower (County Court Judge)
- ❖ Judge Dan Vaughn (Senior Circuit Court Judge)
- ❖ Judge Edmond Alonzo (County Court Judge)
- ❖ Craig Bridgers (Substitute Member for County Commission)
- ❖ Debora Johnson (Substitute Member for County Commission)

**ATTORNEYS:**

- ❖ Katherine Barbieri, Esq. (Assistant St. Lucie County Attorney)
- ❖ Caroline Valentin, Esq. (Assistant St. Lucie County Attorney)
- ❖ Cynthia Angelos, Esq. (Supervisor of Elections Counsel)
- ❖ Nicholas Gieseler, Esq. (Supervisor of Elections Counsel)

**ELECTIONS STAFF:**

- ❖ Kris Barcomb (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Amber McCants (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Peter Lomonaco (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Neal Sullivan (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Tywann Clemons (Supervisor of Elections Staff)
- ❖ Laurie White (Dominion Voting Systems)
- ❖ Steve Barker (Dominion Voting Systems)
- ❖ Other SOE staff
- ❖ Kathy Cabre Enloe (Court Reporter-Esquire Reporting, Inc.)

**PUBLIC ATTENDEE SPEAKERS:**

- ❖ Charles Wilson

**CANVASSING BOARD BUSINESS:**

- ❖ Meeting called to order at 7:03 A.M. by Judge Isenhower.

- ❖ Mrs. Walker reported as of Election Day, a total of 48,438 votes cast. Following processing on 8/22/2024 of 32 signature cure affidavits, seven provisional ballots and four unscanned ballots (total of 43 additional) ballots, the total votes cast is 48,481.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker advised recount must be concluded by 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, August 25, 2024.
- ❖ Judge Isenhower introduced the Canvassing Board and counsel.
- ❖ Mr. Charles Wilson was recognized to provide public comment. Mr. Wilson inquired as to procedure for making a challenge to a ballot. Mr. Wilson also questioned yesterday's total of 43 additional ballots, when the SOE Republican Primary candidate totals only increased by 12 votes for Mr. Umansky and 10 votes for Ms. Frey, a total of 22 votes rather than 43. Mrs. Walker pointed out not every voter casts a vote for every race. Attorney Nicholas Gieseler also advised that the 43 votes from the 8/22/2024 total would have included Democratic and non-partisan ballots that do not vote in the SOE Primary race. Judge Isenhower pointed out the fact that the total number of votes in the SOE race was 25,574, or just a little over 50% of total votes cast.
- ❖ Mrs. Walker advised the first unofficial results will be uploaded today to the State.
- ❖ Ms. Valentin reviewed the rules of decorum governing Board meetings.
- ❖ Logic and accuracy testing of ballot scanners was conducted for Vote-By-Mail ballots, polling location ballots and early voting ballots with a predetermined number of test decks. The L&A testing was performed in the presence of the Board and both candidates. Upon conclusion of L&A, Seal #0649012 was broken on cage containing VBM ballots and Judge Isenhower moved to direct staff to commence machine recount. Second by Mr. Bridgers. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ At 11:00 A.M. Judge Alonzo substituted in for Judge Isenhower.
- ❖ A Precinct 50 ballot rejected by scanners as an undervote in SOE race was presented to the Board for duplication and logged appropriately and set aside for later review by Judge Alonzo.
- ❖ The Board was presented with three ballots in need of duplication; one that had a partial blackening-in of oval, a water damaged ballot and a torn ballot. After Board determined clear voter intent on partially marked ballot, all three were duplicated.

- ❖ Attorney Nicholas Gieseler advised the Board that VBM recount had been completed and there was a two-vote discrepancy. The staff had targeted two boxes that caused discrepancy and those two boxes were re-run.
- ❖ Judge Alonzo moved to approve minutes of August 20, 2024 meeting. Second by Mr. Bridgers. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ The undervoted Precinct 50 ballot was discussed and determined that duplicating same was premature; the ballot should have been segregated as an undervote for the manual recount, if necessary. Motion by Judge Alonzo to discard duplicate and return original ballot to box containing undervotes. Second by Mr. Bridgers. Motion carried unanimously. Judge Alonzo struck duplication log notation and same was initialed by all three Canvassing Board members.
- ❖ At 5:00 P.M. Debora Johnson substituted in for Judge Vaughn.
- ❖ Judge Alonzo provided update that 8,155 votes out of the approximate 25,000 had been recounted thus far. 587 votes have been recognized as over or undervoted and segregated accordingly. These 587 ballots will be sealed under Seal #0649013.
- ❖ Attorney Nicholas Gieseler advised Board the boxes containing two-vote discrepancy were identified and reran, the incorrect totals voided, and the new totals reconciled. That reconciliation was included in the 8,155 total previously provided.
- ❖ Judge Isenhower briefly stood in for Judge Alonzo and announced the breaking of Seal #0649009 for Election Day ballots so that Election Day ballot recount could commence.
- ❖ Motion by Judge Alonzo to approve Action Minutes for the August 17, 2024 meeting. Second by Ms. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ Seal #0649020 was broken containing additional Election Day ballots.
- ❖ Machine scanning of Election Day ballots continued until 9:00 P.M. Original ballots that had been duplicated were placed in box under Seal 95-016. The cage containing completed Election Day scanned ballots was sealed under Seal #0649030. The cage containing in-process Election Day ballots was sealed under Seal #0649014.
- ❖ Judge Alonzo moved to adjourn. Second by Ms. Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.
- ❖ Meeting adjourned at 9:09 P.M.

***Respectfully submitted,***

***Kathy Cabre Enloe, Court Reporter***