STATE OF DELAWARE
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

March 24, 2021

Minutes

Audit of Sussex County General Election Voting Machines- Round 1, 2, and 3

The meeting was called to order by Kenneth McDowell at 10:00 a.m. on January 25, 2021. Bill Weller was attending the meeting virtually due to Covid-19 concerns. Mr. McDowell gave a brief overview regarding what each round of the audit would entail. Mr. Weller and staff had no questions, so the Audits commenced.

All Election Districts and machine numbers for each audit were randomly selected by Commissioner Albence at a prior date. Staff immediately paired up and began the audit at 10:15 a.m. The first round of audits consisted of a manual recount Seaford Middle School for the votes cast on Machine #XL0118030443. The public count and card count matched with 575 votes. All votes were the same as reported. Mr. McDowell detailed the findings to Mr. Weller.

Round 2 of the audits began at 11:30 a.m. consisted Election District 35-07 from Ellendale Fire Hall. There were four machines XL0118030194, XL0118020085, XL0118040037, and XL018030298. All counts came back same as reported with the public counts and card container counts matching at 204, 244, 251, and 244 respectively. Mr. McDowell explained the findings, as well as, what the next round of audits would entail to Mr. Weller.

The team broke for lunch at 1 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

Round 3 of the audits began promptly at 2:05 p.m. and consisted a recount of all votes cast for the Office of Insurance Commissioner at the Cool Springs Presbyterian Church polling location. There were five machines including XL0118030244, XL0118030274, XL0118030126, XL0118030306, and XL0118020079. All counts came back as reported with the public counts and card container counts matching at 388, 393, 480, 454, and 414 respectively. All votes were the same as reported.

Commissioner Albence and Kenneth McDowell verified the results and took public comments. There were no comments or discussion. Mr. McDowell thanked Mr. Weller for his attendance and adjourned at 4 p.m.

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