

**MINUTES OF THE CHURCHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

155 No. Taylor Street, Fallon, NV
Fallon, Nevada
10 November 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The special meeting of the Churchill County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. on the above date by Chairperson Washburn.

PRESENT: Gwen Washburn, Chairperson
Lynn Pearce, Commissioner
Norm Frey, Commissioner
Rusty Jardine, Deputy District Attorney
Alan Kalt, Comptroller
Kelly G. Helton, Clerk of the Board
Pamela D. Moore, Commission Secretary

ABSENT: Brad Goetsch, County Manager

Pledge of Allegiance

It was verified that the agenda for this meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241.

ACTION ITEMS

AGENDA

Commissioner Frey made a motion to approve the Agenda as submitted. Commissioner Pearce seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairperson Washburn inquired if there were any public comments on issues that were not listed on the agenda but there was none.

APPOINTMENTS

THE BOARD MAY REQUIRE THE PROVISION OF AN OATH OR AFFIRMATION BY ANY PERSON PROVIDING ORAL TESTIMONY AT A PUBLIC HEARING.

8:15 a.m. Consideration and possible action re: Canvass of Votes for the 2008 General Election.

Clerk of the Board Kelly G. Helton provided the Abstract of the Vote of Churchill County, Nevada, polled at the General Election held November 4, 2008. She explained the results depicted for Precinct 88 and 99. Precinct 88 is new residents and nonresident votes that can only vote for President and Vice-President. Precinct 99 is a provisional ballot on which they get to vote for federal offices. This year we had about 15 provisional ballots but we were unable to count any. A provisional ballot is used if the person swears that they registered to vote in Churchill County but we cannot find them on the rolls. Those provisional ballots are not counted if we can find no proof that they had registered. Before they were just turned away and did not get the opportunity to vote at all. The other means of voting a provisional ballot is if you register to vote by mail or by a voter drive and did not show identification. The provision in the law provides that

you must show identification at least one time during their voting history. If they did not provide identification because of registering by mail, they must show identification at the polls. If they are unable to do so or fail to do so, then they can only vote by provisional ballot.

Commissioner Frey asked if it is correct that a provisional ballot is also not counted unless it will make a material difference. Clerk/Treasurer Helton said that is not correct. Those are counted either way but only if we can prove that we made a mistake and failed to register them, then it is counted or if they brought in identification by Friday following the election. There were no failure to show identification and all of the provisional ballots this year said they had registered but we found no proof of such.

Chairperson Washburn inquired if there was any public comment but there was none.

Commissioner Pearce made a motion to approve the Abstract of the Vote from the November 4, 2008 General Election. Commissioner Frey seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

8:20 a.m. Consideration and possible adoption of a resolution designated by the short title “2008 Churchill County School District Canvass Resolution” declaring the results of an election held within Churchill County, Nevada, on the general obligation school bond question submitted to the qualified electors of the district at the election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 and providing for other matters relating thereto.

TITLE: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATED BY THE SHORT TITLE “2008 CHURCHILL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT CANVASS RESOLUTION” DECLARING THE RESULTS OF AN ELECTION HELD WITHIN CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA, ON THE GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BOND QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT THE ELECTION HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2008; PROVIDING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND PROVIDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEROF.

Chairperson Washburn inquired of the resolution number because it was not listed on the paperwork. Secretary Moore replied that she recalls it might be number 23-08 but that is purely by memory and may be wrong. She will insert the correct number if that is not correct when she is able to review the records in the office. (Note: review of the records provides that the correct number should be 33-08.)

Clerk/Treasurer Helton explained that this Resolution was provided by Sweindseid and Stern to satisfy the results of the election in connection with the School District’s ballot question concerning the general obligation school bond.

Commissioner Frey moved to approve Resolution 23-08, or such other number as proved by review of the records, designated by the short title “2008 Churchill County School District Canvass Resolution” declaring the results of an election held within Churchill County, Nevada, on the general obligation school bond question submitted to the qualified electors of the district at the election held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008 and providing for other matters relating thereto.

Commissioner Pearce seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous vote.

Chairperson Washburn inquired if there were any future agenda items or commissioner or departmental reports but there were none. Claims and payroll transmittals were approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 a.m.

APPROVED: _____

Gwen Washburn, Chair

ATTEST:

Kelly G. Helton, Clerk of the Board