

**MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023 - 9:00 A.M.**  
**OCONTO COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS**  
**LEC CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**301 WASHINGTON STREET, OCONTO WI 54153**  
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BOARD OF CANVASSERS PRESENT: Ron Leja, Mary Woods, Nancy Brye, Kathy Goldschmidt

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. Call to Order  
Kathy Goldschmidt, Deputy County Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Goldschmidt was designated as the official minute taker.
2. Election Recap
  - Reviewed county canvass procedures.
  - No provisional ballots were issued in Oconto County.
  - Oconto County had a 19% turnout of registered voters.
  - County Board of Canvass did not announce if the last number in the poll book was circled in red, wanted clarification from Election Day Manual if it is necessary. Page 131 (c) of the Election Day Manual states the last voter number on both lists should be circled in red.
  - Many municipalities did not print a "Total Write-ins" tape. Even if there are no write-ins, county canvass still needs to verify.
3. Review and Inspect Documents from each Reporting Unit necessary to complete the February 21, 2023 Spring Primary  
Documents were reviewed and inspected.
4. May Recess for Lunch – No lunch was taken.
5. List of Irregularities
  - Town of Abrams – Chief Inspector did not initial behind the post-election tamper evident serial numbers on the Inspectors Statement. Pre-lat tape was attached to the zero results tape and tape was cut after the 1<sup>st</sup> ballot style. Did not have a "Total All Ballots" results tape. Cover on poll book not filled out.
  - Town of Bagley – Chief Inspector did not initial behind the post-election tamper evident serial numbers on the Inspectors Statement. Zero tape was not returned with the election materials, should have stayed attached to the election results tape.
  - Town of Breed - Public Test was attached to the Election Day zero tape. Poll workers signed public test but did not sign the zero tape. No "Total Write-ins" tape was submitted with election materials.
  - Town of Chase – Did not record absentee voters on top page of poll book.
  - Town of Gillett – Absentee Vote count was not recorded on the cover page of the poll book. Zero report tape not attached to the elections results tape.
  - Town of How – ICE-Optical Scan Ballots line not filled in on Inspectors Statement.
  - Town of Little Suamico – Inspectors Statement: ICATI Serial #, Box Serial #, Number of ballots in excess of total number of voters, hand-count paper ballots, ICX-(DRE) (touch screen) and chief inspectors time not documented.
  - Town of Maple Valley - ICATI Serial # was not filled in and Chief Inspector did not initial behind the post-election tamper evident serial numbers on the Inspectors Statement. Only two poll workers signed the zero report tape. Check out time for two poll workers was not filled in on the inspector's statement. Put both ballot bag seals from the county on the bag at the same time, only need to use one seal.
  - Town of Pensaukee – Only top cover of Inspectors Statement was turned in, missing inside sheets. Zero reports tape time stated 7:06 nothing to verify with.
  - Town of Spruce – No zero report tape.
  - Town of Underhill – Zero report tape was not attached to the results tape.
  - City of Oconto – Zero report tape was not attached to the results tape. Voters signed the poll book in red, some in black.
  - City of Oconto Falls - Election materials were put in blue ballot bag, had to break seal to retrieve.
6. Verification that tamper-evident serial numbers from the voting equipment have been recorded on random selection of 10 Reporting Unit's EL-104 Inspector's Statements, and have been initialed by the Chief Election Inspector.
  - 1.) Town of Brazeau – Zero reports tape not connected to results tape.

- 2.) Town of Breed – Public Test was attached to zero reports tape and results tape, should be kept with the municipality. Zero reports tape was not signed by all three poll workers. Time for one poll worker was only documented until 2:00 p.m., replacement not on Inspectors Statement. “Total Write-ins” tape not printed.
  - 3.) Town of Doty – ICATI Serial # and Box Serial # not documented on Inspectors Statement.
  - 4.) Town of Little River – Tamper Evident Seal used to seal blue ballot bag was not documented on the Inspectors Statement and in/out time stated all day, should list individual time started and ended.
  - 5.) Town of Morgan – General tally sheet was not filled out for hand counted ballots. ICATI Serial #, Box Serial # and some chief inspector initials not documented on the Inspectors Statement and only two signatures on the results tape.
  - 6.) Town of Stiles - Could not see the tamper evident seal number through the window on the blue ballot bag.
  - 7.) Town of Townsend- good
  - 8.) Village of Lena – Time on tape stated 7:00.37 a.m. when polls opened. Notify clerk machine can be activated before 7:00, just can't have any voters vote until 7:00 a.m. Time out for one poll worker not documented on the Inspectors Statement. Second chief inspector sign in/out not documented. Used own seals instead of counties to seal blue ballot bag.
  - 9.) Village of Suring – Used own seals instead of counties to seal blue ballot bag.
  - 10.) City of Gillett - good
7. Adjournment  
Meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Kathy Goldschmidt, Deputy Clerk Recorder  
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