

Minutes of Meeting
County Board of Canvassers: Elections
March 15, 2022
1:30 p.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chair Pro Tem Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda item. Also present were Clerk Jim Brannon, Chief Deputy Clerk Jennifer Locke, Elections Manager Asa Gray, BOCC Communications Coordinator Jonathan Gillham and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Chairman Chris Fillios was excused.

- A. Call to Order:** Chair Pro Tem Leslie Duncan called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business (Action):**

Canvass of March 8, 2022 School Election – Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1205

Clerk Jim Brannon stated that there were a total of only 1,526 eligible voters for this election, out of the County’s approximately 103,500. He remarked that an election like this cost the taxpayers money, but that the County was required to follow state law.

Elections Manager Asa Gray confirmed that there had been 1,526 eligible voters, from 3 precincts. He stated that a total of 207 ballots were cast, including absentee, early and election-day.

Mr. Gray stated that, in Kootenai County, the Kellogg Joint School District supplemental levy had more votes in favor than against. He said that there were also more votes in favor in Shoshone County, so the item was probably passed. He stated that the Plummer-Worley School District levy had more votes against it in both Kootenai County and Benewah, so that one probably failed.

Mr. Gray commented that the benefit of having such a small election was that his staff was able to get practice on duties which were normally handled by other County employees: participating in inspection boards, unloading supplies and other things. He said that his team did an excellent job.

Clerk Brannon asked whether the Home Counties had canvassed.

Mr. Gray replied that he had not yet received canvass documents, but the other counties were not required to send them to Kootenai County.

Clerk Brannon remarked that, if the Home Counties had not yet canvassed, Kootenai County could not say that the bonds had officially passed or failed. He stressed that today they could only make Kootenai County’s results official, if the Board voted in favor.

Chair Pro Tem Duncan asked how many people had gone to the polls without their ID.

Mr. Gray said only one person.

Commissioner Bill Brooks moved that the Board approve the canvass of March 8, 2022 School Election, pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1205. Chair Pro Tem Duncan seconded the motion. There being no further discussion, Deputy Clerk Ginorio called the roll:

Commissioner Brooks: Aye
Commissioner Duncan: Aye
Chairman Fillios: Excused

The motion carried.

D. Public Comment: This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There were no public comments.

E. Adjournment (Action): Chair Pro Tem Duncan adjourned the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

BOCC SIGNATURE

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk