

Board of County Canvassers Meeting

February 27, 2024 Election

Canvass of Votes

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

Members Present: Jim Searls, Laurie Breuker, Chris Kostamo

Members Absent: Lloyd Van Duyn

Meeting called to order at 1:02 pm by the Chair, Laurie Breuker

Public Comments:

1. Allen Denko

BOC 24-5 Motion: To approve the agenda for the February 28, 2024 meeting

Moved by: Jim Searls

Seconded by: Chris Kostamo

Yes: Chris Kostamo, Jim Searls, Laurie Breuker

No: None

BOC 24-6 Motion: To approve the minutes from the January 2, 2024 meeting

Moved by: Chris Kostamo

Seconded by: Jim Searls

Yes: Chris Kostamo, Jim Searls, Laurie Breuker

No: None

Update from Ottawa County Clerk, Justin Roebuck on the status and outcomes of Early Voting and the Presidential Primary Election.

Canvass of Votes for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election

The Chair recessed the meeting at 4:36pm, to reconvene the next morning at 9:00am.

At the call of the Chair the meeting reconvened at 9:01am on Thursday, February 29, 2024.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 5:00pm, to reconvene the next morning at 9:00am.

At the call of the Chair the meeting reconvened at 9:00am on Friday, March 1, 2024.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 12:01pm, to reconvene on Monday morning at 9:00am.

At the call of the Chair the meeting reconvened at 9:01am on Monday, March 4, 2024.

The Chair recessed the meeting at 4:32pm, to reconvene Wednesday morning at 9:00am.

At the call of the Chair the meeting reconvened at 9:02am on Wednesday, March 6, 2024. Lloyd Van Duyn joined the meeting.



BOC 24-7 Motion: To certify the results of the Tuesday, February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election

Moved by: Jim Searls

Seconded by: Chris Kostamo

Yes: Chris Kostamo, Jim Searls, Laurie Breuker, Lloyd Van Duyn

No: None

New Business

a. Certify containers

The Board of County Canvassers certified ballot containers and test ballot bags for the following jurisdictions:

- Ottawa County
- Robinson Township
- Allendale Township

Old Business – none

Public Comments:

1. none

Meeting adjourned by the Chair at 11:50am on Wednesday, March 6th, 2024. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 1:00pm



Out of Balance Precinct Report

Jurisdiction	Precinct Number	Reason for Discrepancy	Discrepancy Resolved during Canvass?	Steps taken at the County Canvass to Resolve Discrepancy
Spring Lake Township	1 (AV) Pct. 2	List of voters had 1 more than number of ballots tabulated	Yes	Clerk and Election Inspectors counted ballots and retabulated the precent ballots. They ended up balanced.
Robinson Township	Pct. 2	List of voters had 1 more than number of ballot tabulated	Yes	After review of remarks, a ballot was issued to a voter's relation who did not vote, the ballot was not cast.
Robinson Township	Pct. 3	List of voters had 1 less than number of ballots tabulated	Yes	After review of remarks, a poll inspector ran a blank "test" ballot through the tabulator at the beginning of the day.
Precincts out of balance at end of Canvass:	0			