

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON
Thursday, September 6, 2018**

A special meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Thursday, September 6, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Executive Conference Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Peggy Judd, Chairman; Patrick G. Call, Vice-Chairman; Ann English, Supervisor
Staff Present: Edward T. Gilligan, County Administrator
Britt W. Hanson, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney
Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board

Chairman Judd called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS OPEN FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

THE ORDER OR DELETION OF ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION AT THE MEETING

ACTION

Elections

1. Accept the elections results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the Primary Election held on August 28, 2018.

Ms. Lisa Marra, Elections Director, presented the official results of the canvass of the primary election on August 28, 2018. She said all election night reports would be posted online and accessible to citizens and went over several statistics.

She noted that it was the largest turnout for the County in a Primary Election and added that citizens were very confused with write-in candidates and did not fully understand the process. She noted that out of 10,000 write-in votes cast, only 786 counted and pointed out that counting "silly" write-ins is costly to the County in time and resources.

Vice-Chairman Call asked about the lowest turn out in vote centers, specifically Bowie and McNeal.

Ms. Marra said that she would discuss major changes to the elections process at a future work session. She also took this time to thank all the County employees who had assisted with the process.

Mr. Stevens mentioned that there were current legislative proposals to address the write-in process.

Vice-Chairman Call also requested a report that depicted the group of voters under the age of 45.

Supervisor English moved to accept the elections results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the Primary Election held on August 28, 2018. Vice-Chairman Call seconded the motion.

Chairman Judd called for the vote and it was approved 3-0.

Chairman Judd adjourned the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

APPROVED:

Peggy Judd, Chairman

ATTEST:

Arlethe G. Rios, Clerk of the Board