

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COCHISE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2024**

A special meeting of the Cochise County Board of Supervisors was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors' Hearing Room, 1415 Melody Lane, Building G, Bisbee, Arizona.

Present: Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman; Peggy Judd, Supervisor

Absent: Ann English, Chairman

Staff Present: Richard G. Karwaczka, County Administrator  
Joe Casey, Associate County Administrator  
Paul Correa, Civil Deputy County Attorney  
Lara Loewenheim, Clerk of the Board

Attendees: Marisol Renteria, Interim Elections Director

Vice-Chairman Crosby called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

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

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

***ACTION***

**Board of Supervisors**

1. Accept the election results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the Primary Election held on July 30, 2024.

Supervisor Judd made a motion to accept the election results certified and submitted by the Cochise County Elections Department as the official canvass for the Primary Election held on July 30, 2024. Vice-Chairman Crosby seconded the motion.

Christie Brown was called upon but did not speak.

Alison Morse thanked Supervisors Crosby and Judd in advance for planning to certify the election results and expressed appreciation for Christine Roberts' service and wished her well in her new role.

Tricia Gerrodette expressed hope for a positive role in accepting the July 30th Primary results, inquired about changes in election machine concerns, and wished for continued trust in the system for the November election.

Vice-Chairman Crosby defended his protection of freedom of speech. He explained

that the discussion pertained to change orders and the voting system test labs. Vice-Chairman Crosby noted that the difference between the 2022 election and now is related to certified engineering change orders to vote tabulations equipment, which were not addressed in 2022.

Marisol Renteria, Interim Director of Elections presented this item. Ms. Renteria presented the canvas of the July 30th, 2024 primary election, which was conducted according to statutory requirements and the 2023 Election Procedures Manual. Ms. Renteria stated there were no abnormalities or defects in the process, and all equipment passed testing by the Arizona Secretary of State's office. Ms. Renteria stated the election saw a 34% turnout, with 66% of voters choosing early voting. She stated all vote centers operated smoothly on Election Day, with no significant lines. She noted the final unofficial results were posted on August 5th, 2024.

In response to the Board, Ms. Renteria stated there were approximately 197 poll workers and 60 County employees.

Vice-Chairman Crosby thanked all the poll workers.

Supervisor Judd expressed satisfaction with how the election went. Supervisor Judd thanked Ms. Renteria, acknowledging that she is new to the process and did a great job.

Vice-Chairman Crosby called for the vote and it was approved 2-0. (English was absent).

Vice-Chairman Crosby adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Tom Crosby, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

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Lara Loewenheim, Clerk of the Board