

**COUNTY OF CARTERET BOARD OF ELECTIONS**  
**1702 Live Oak Street, Beaufort, NC 28516**  
**Special Meeting Minutes, November 8, 2021**  
**9:00AM**

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Chair Susan Cuthrell called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

**Board Members Present:** Chair Susan Cuthrell, Vice Chair Marjorie Holland, Secretary Jeanette Deese, Member Dale Gillikin, and Member Gerald Godette

**Staff Members Present:** Director Caitlin Sabadish, Deputy Director Margot Burke (UNA), Tom Roberts; precinct official (DEM), Joe Oebbecke; precinct official (REP), Sharon Scott; precinct official (DEM), Judy Linebarger; precinct official (REP), Carol Council; precinct official (REP)

**Others Present:** Ralph Hall; LWV, Norma Hall; LWV, Richard Lesesne; provisional voter, Barbara Quinn; candidate's spouse, Timothy Quinn; candidate

**II. Review and Recommendation of 52 provisional ballots**

Staff presented fifty-two (52) provisional ballots with recommendations to the Board. Staff recommended approval of thirty-three (33) provisional ballots and to not approve nineteen (19) provisional ballots. Member Gillikin made a motion to approve the thirty-three (33) provisional ballots and not approve the nineteen (19) provisional ballots as recommended by staff. The motion was seconded by Member Godette and the motion was passed unanimously.

**III. Review and Recommendation of 3 civilian, 0 military, and 1 overseas supplemental absentee ballots**

Staff presented three (3) civilian, zero (0) military, and one (1) overseas supplemental absentee ballot for Board approval. Vice Chair Holland made a motion to approve all supplemental absentee ballots presented. Secretary Deese seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Hand-to-Eye Audit of Beaufort 1 ED precinct and Western Park OS precinct**

Three (3) bipartisan teams conducted a Hand-to-Eye Audit of the November 2, 2021 Municipal Election as mandated by the State in accordance to NC G.S. § 163-182.1(b) (1) (former G.S. § 163A-1166(b) (1)). This audit was conducted on all ballots processed on Election Day in the Beaufort 1 precinct and all ballots processed during One-Stop Early Voting at Western Park. The Sample Hand-to-Eye audit results and the results from the final tapes from the DS200 tabulators on Election night matched with the exception of one vote in which the voter put an 'X' over the circle to vote instead of filling it in. In this instance the machine did not count the 'X-ed' candidate as a vote. All other tabulation results matched exactly.

**V. Adjournment**

Member Godette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion to adjourn was seconded by Member Gillikin and the motion was passed unanimously.

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Susan Cuthrell, Chair

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Marjorie Holland, Vice Chair

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Jeanette Deese, Secretary

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Dale Gillikin, Member

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Gerald Godette, Member