



**SKAGIT COUNTY  
CANVASSING BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES<sup>1</sup>**

**Draft Minutes**

If Regarding Election Date/Type: 8/2/2022  General  Primary  Special Election  
Date

Meeting Date/Time: Tuesday 8/16/2022 1:30 PM  
Day of week Date Time

Meeting Location: Skagit County Auditor's Office  
Skagit County Administration Building, Room 201  
700 S. Second Street  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273

**MINUTES**

**Start time:** 1:33 PM **End time:** 1:43 PM

**1. Members / County Staff Present:**

- Auditor  Designee: Gabrielle Clay
- Commissioner  Designee: Peter Browning
- Prosecutor  Designee: Melinda Miller
- County Staff: Emily Humbert \_\_\_\_\_
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- Citizens: Allison Capelle Rod Nelson
- Cody Hart Joan Burns
- Christian Burns \_\_\_\_\_
- Zindra Nelson \_\_\_\_\_

Number of citizens choosing not to identify themselves: 0

<sup>1</sup> Minutes of regular and special meetings must be promptly recorded and open to public inspection. (The statute does not specify any particular kind of "recording.") RCW 42.30.035

August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Primary Election

Canvassing Board Certification Meeting

August 16, 2022

1:30 PM

**Attendants:**

**Gabrielle Clay**, Elections Supervisor; **Melinda Miller**, Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; **Peter Browning**, Chair of County Commissioners; **Emily Humbert**, Elections Office Assistant

**Audience:** Allison Capelle, Cody Hart, Zindra Nelson, Rod Nelson, Joan Burns, Christian Burns

Meeting commences at 1:33 PM

First order of business: approve minutes from last canvassing board meeting that occurred on August 9, 2022. One change made to minutes; Gabrielle notates minutes for August 9, 2022 and calls for any other suggested changes; no changes suggested. Gabrielle moves to accept changes; no objections. Minutes approved by unanimous vote.

Oath of Authenticity is read aloud by Gabrielle; oath is signed by the canvassing board.

Copies of reconciliation report are passed around to board members and throughout audience. The canvassing board reviews the reconciliation report. Gabrielle moves to accept the reconciliation report; no objections. Reconciliation report accepted by unanimous vote.

Gabrielle moves to reject challenged ballots reviewed at last canvassing board meeting; no objections. Questioned ballots rejected unanimously.

Gabrielle moves to certify the election; motion approved unanimously. Certification is sealed and signed by the canvassing board.

Gabrielle calls for public comments; three minutes allotted.

**Cody Hart** of Sedro-Woolley. As a candidate and resident of Skagit County, he points out that he has provided Skagit County with evidence that multiple ballot boxes were potentially tampered with and in violation of RCWs, WACs and the canvassing board manual, no effort to address ballots inside those boxes has been made. Multiple observers during the election have confirmed that observers were not allowed in at times, in violation of state laws and WACs. Notice of this was provided to members of the canvassing board and county. In accordance with state law this certification is invalid, and you have violated your oaths of office.

No other public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 1:43 PM.