



**SKAGIT COUNTY
CANVASSING BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES¹**

If Regarding Election Date/Type: 11/8/2022

General Primary Special

Meeting Date/Time: Tuesday 11/29/2022 1:30pm
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: 1:36 **End time:** 1:47

1. Members / County Staff Present:

<input type="checkbox"/> Auditor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Gabrielle Clay</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commissioner	<input type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Peter Browning</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Prosecutor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Designee	<u>Jason D'Avignon</u>

County Staff: Emily Humbert

Citizens:	<u>Angela Napliello-Ivory</u>	<u>Zindra Nelson</u>
	<u>Christian Burns</u>	<u>Allison Capelle</u>
	<u>Joan Burns</u>	<u>Brenda Cunningham</u>
	<u>Rod Nelson</u>	<u>Lynn Ivory</u>

Number of citizens choosing not to identify themselves: 0

¹ 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

Additional Citizens in Attendance that did not fit on cover sheet

Charles Ivory

Gabrielle Introduces board members:

Gabrielle Clay, Election Supervisor

Peter Browning, County Commissioner District 2

Jason D'Avignon, Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Emily Humbert, Certified Election Administrator

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Meeting commences at 1:36 PM. Gabrielle moves to approve minutes from last meeting (canvassing board 11-22-2022); unanimously approved. Motion passes.

Gabrielle reads aloud oath of authenticity; board members sign the oath. Meeting takes quick recess to print and distribute election results. Reconciliation report reviewed by board members.

Gabrielle moves to accept reconciliation report; motion passes unanimously. Gabrielle moves to reject challenged ballots; motion passes unanimously. Gabrielle moves to accept reconciliation report and certify the election; motion passes unanimously. Election is certified; board members sign oath of authenticity.

Public Comments

Lynn Campbell: I want to thank everyone in the elections office for doing such a thorough and meticulous job and ensuring this was a fair and transparent vote. Kudos to all of you.

Cody Hart: Request made via email for public comments. I am writing in response to a recent internet posting by Skagit County elections that it made video surveillance of November 18th, 2022 available for public view, at 12:00 November 28th, of canvassing from 4:30 PM on November 18th to end of canvassing that night that the public and political party observers were not allowed access.

As the Skagit County Canvassing Board was previously notified, obstruction of the public and political party observers occurred on November 18th 2022 at the Skagit County election office that I personally witnessed and reported to the public through a video report available on YouTube and Rumble.

Unfortunately, after personally examining the video files that the Auditor made available for public inspection at the County office in person, I once again found there was an unacceptable lack of

transparency and apparent intentional concealment of the canvassing process in the videos presented that included;

- The video camera clock / time system can not be verified by events in the footage creating doubt the footage is from the timeframe under question. A digital date and time clock within view of each camera, on a wall or desk, would alleviate the concern that camera footage date and time displays are not accurate.
- Only two of the four normally displayed surveillance cameras footage were made available for public inspection. Concealing footage from two of the four cameras from public inspection creates doubt and distrust of why the footage was not provided.
- During review of the two video cameras footage that were displayed, the footage was not continuous and significant editing was observed having occurred with over 1 hour 45 minutes cut from the camera that captures ballot imaging, counting, and tabulation.. The editing of video footage and deletion of almost two hours of footage reinforces the distrust of what occurred on November 18th.

Again, your board is asked to address the election offices mishandling of ballota on November 18th by recanvassing the ballots in accordance with WAC and RCW's previous references.

Meeting adjourned at 1:47 PM.