

# COUNTY OF LINCOLN

**New Mexico  
Special Meeting  
Board of County Commissioners**

**Thomas F Stewart, Chair  
Lynn Willard, Vice Chair**

**Elaine Allen, Member  
Jon Crunk, Member  
Todd Proctor, Member**

**Minutes  
Tuesday November 9, 2021**

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Lincoln County Commission held at 8:30 AM on November 9, 2021, in the County Commission Chambers, Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

In accordance with the New Mexico Public Health Emergency Order, this meeting was conducted on a platform for video and audio.

**1. Call to Order**

Chair Stewart called the Regular Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners to order at 8:30 AM.

**2. Roll Call**

**Roll Call.**

**Present:** Chair Stewart (Via Zoom), Commissioner Allen (Via Zoom), Commissioner Willard, Commissioner Proctor.

**Absent:** Commissioner Crunk

Others present included Ira Pearson, County Manager; Alan Morel, County Attorney; and Whitney Whittaker, Lincoln County Clerk

**3. Invocation**

Invocation was presented by Chair Stewart

**4. Pledge of Allegiance**

- a. Pledge – USA Flag
- b. Salute – NM Flag

**5. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion:** Acceptance of the Agenda and authorized the Chair to move items as necessary,

**Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Proctor, **Seconded by** Commissioner Willard.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

**Yes:** Chair Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Willard, Commissioner Proctor.

Chair Stewart Recessed the Special Meeting and convened the Board of Canvass

**6. Canvass November 2, 2021, Regular Local Election Votes**

Whitney Whittaker, County Clerk reminded the purpose of the meeting was for the Board of County Commissioners acting as the Canvass Board for Lincoln County to review and certify the 2021 Regular Local Election results.

Clerk Whittaker expressed appreciation for the long hours and good service from the poll workers and staff during this election; Shannan Hemphill, Chief Deputy Clerk; Charlotte Emmons, Deputy Clerk; Diane Shoemaker, Deputy Clerk; Faithe Samora, Bureau of Elections Clerk and Nick Morerod, Deputy Clerk for another outstanding job. Clerk Whittaker stated Paul Baca and Leeroy

Zamora, Vote Technicians did an amazing job; they provided outstanding service throughout the election.

Clerk Whittaker presented the 2021 Regular Local Election Unofficial Results for Lincoln County. Clerk Whittaker informed 14,253 registered voters were eligible to cast a ballot for the Local Election held on November 2, 2021. Clerk Whittaker stated a total of 1995 ballots were cast resulting in a total voter turnout of 14%. Clerk Whittaker stated of the total ballots cast 81 were cast by Absentee Voters, 636 were Early Voters, and 1, 278 were Election Day Voters. Clerk Whittaker noted of the 2 Uniform and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) ballots issued, returned, and tallied.

Clerk Whittaker provided printouts of vote totals by precinct and summaries by contest. Clerk Whittaker also presented supporting documentation for review by the Board of Canvass including rosters, applications and permits.

Chair Stewart adjourned the Board of Canvass at 8:41 AM and reconvene the Special Meeting

**Motion:** Certify the results of the 2021 Regular Local Election, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Willard, **Seconded by** Commissioner Proctor.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

**Yes:** Chair Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Willard, Commissioner Proctor.

**SEE EXHIBIT A:** Copy of the Certificate of Canvass for the 2021 Local Election is attached hereto in reference thereto made a part hereof.

**7. Jayne's Construction Request for \$21,000 for the Lincoln County Medical Center Construction- Discussion and Possible Action**

Manager Pearson stated he was contacted by John Nichols regarding the billing from Jayne's Construction. Manager Pearson explained an accounting error led to an underpayment of \$21,000. Manager Pearson stated he asked for documentation, and nothing was received as of date.

Commissioner Crunk joined via Zoom at 8:45 AM

Matt Andersen from Jaynes Construction presented the invoice information.

There was a brief discussion about the request, and it was decided for no action to be taken until valid documentation was provided.

**8. Redistricting Update – Lincoln County Clerk, Whitney Whittaker**

Whitney Whittaker, Lincoln County Clerk gave a brief presentation on the 2021 Redistricting maps. Clerk Whittaker provided statistics and stated Lincoln County had minor population shifts that will result in minimal changes to the commission districts.

**9. Veteran's Day Proclamation**

Manager Pearson presented the Proclamation recognizing and honoring Veteran's Day. The Proclamation was read into the record.

**Motion:** Adopt the Veterans' Day Proclamation, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Commissioner Willard, **Seconded by** Commissioner Proctor.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 5).

**Yes:** Chair Stewart, Commissioner Allen, Commissioner Willard, Commissioner Crunk, Commissioner Proctor.

**SEE EXHIBIT B:** Copy of the Proclamation is attached hereto in reference thereto made a part hereof.

**10. Signing of Official Documents**

All five commissioners approved us of electronic signature and/ or stamp.

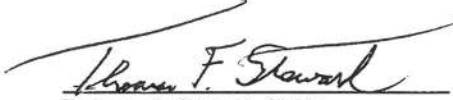
**11. Next meeting:**

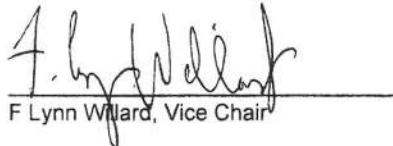
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12. Adjourn

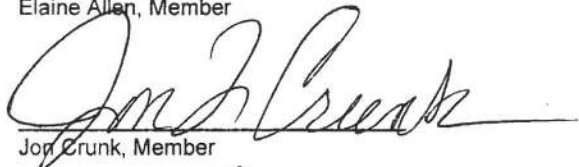
There being no further business to come before the Board of County Commissioners, Chair Stewart adjourned the meeting at 9:09 AM.

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Board of Commissioners

  
Thomas F. Stewart, Chair

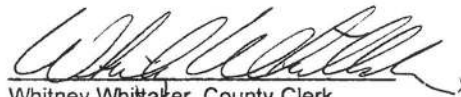
  
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ATTEST:

  
Whitney Whitaker, County Clerk

December 21, 2021  
Date Approved

