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APPEARANCES:

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On behalf of the Board.

ALSO PRESENT:

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Mr. Jeffrey Mackey
Franklin County Board of Elections.

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Monday Morning Session,
November 23, 2015.

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DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Good morning. I will call the Franklin County Board of Elections special meeting to order.

Roll call.
Kim Marinello.

MS. MARINELLO: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Gregory Haas.

MR. HAAS: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Bradley Sinnott.

MR. SINNOTT: Here.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Mr. Chairman, we have a quorum.

MR. SINNOTT: Very good.

DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The first item on the agenda would be official canvass.

MR. PAYNE: Jeff Mackey from Operations is going to go over that for us.

MR. MACKEY: You have a couple reports there in front of you. We have the summary that will give just the election totals for each race, and you also have a detailed report which breaks it out by

1 type of ballot cast, absentee paper, folks that cast
2 at the vote center, election day paper, election day
3 voting on the machines, and provisional balloting by
4 race.

5 You also have the write-in canvass.
6 The write-in canvass, the one that is really
7 important is the second one down, the Clinton
8 Township trustee. There were only write-in
9 candidates there. Ms. Cera, by benefit of her
10 receiving the most votes for Clinton Township trustee
11 for write-in candidates, is the winner in that race.

12 Mr. Payne has the certification in the
13 folder next to him.

14 MR. PAYNE: Before we do that, can you
15 give a talk about potential recounts?

16 MR. MACKEY: Sorry about that. We did
17 have a couple close ones we were monitoring there.
18 If you want to look on page 5 of the summary report;
19 that is, race for Harrisburg Village mayor, that
20 ended up with a three-vote difference. An automatic
21 recount would have been 6/10 of a vote, so they would
22 have had to tie to go into recount on that one.

23 Another one was on page 15 of your
24 summary report, Issue 31b, a local option. So that

1 was a two-vote difference there, and the recount was
2 1.6 votes, so we were not within the threshold there.

3 MR. PAYNE: Very good. Are we waiting
4 for any out of county? Pickaway, Delaware, Fairfield
5 County, are we waiting to certify?

6 MR. MACKEY: We have every one in except
7 for Licking County, and any other races we were
8 looking at, Dublin City Council, Westerville City
9 Council, Canal Winchester Board of Education, they
10 are all outside of the threshold as well.

11 MR. PAYNE: So no chance for a recount
12 other than you said there was one person that may
13 want to pay for a recount.

14 MR. MACKEY: The Prairie Township trustee
15 race, that race is on page 8, and the recount
16 threshold is 17.63 votes, and the difference right
17 now is 39 votes.

18 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: You said Prairie
19 Township.

20 MR. MACKEY: Prairie Township trustee,
21 page 8.

22 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Which trustee?

23 MR. MACKEY: I understand Mr. Donofrio.
24 He is the one that lost by 39 votes. He might

1 possibly be interested, but the spread got bigger
2 than the official so I don't know that that will
3 still be the case.

4 Any losing candidate or issue can request
5 a recount within five days after the certification
6 today, so that would fall on Saturday the 28th. The
7 actually deadline got pushed to Monday the 30th.

8 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: What was the margin on
9 that one?

10 MR. MACKEY: The margin right now is 39,
11 and the automatic recount threshold was 17.63.

12 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Okay.

13 MR. SINNOTT: I move that the Board
14 certify and declare as final the official canvass of
15 votes cast at the November 3, 2015, General Election
16 as submitted by staff.

17 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

18 MS. MARINELLO: Second.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor?

20 (Vote taken; motion passes.)

21 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Motion carries.

22 Next item on the agenda is holiday hours.
23 You have before you the proposed holiday plan. You
24 also have at your area the minutes of the Board

1 meeting in which we did this last year.

2 This year we are asking to allow
3 full-time employees of the Franklin County Board of
4 Elections, as you can see, they can pick four days to
5 take off, they must take them off between December 21
6 and January 1, 2016.

7 MR. MACKEY: In the past years we
8 extended the dates, but because of the March primary
9 and December 16 filing deadline, we really need to
10 keep it in that week before Christmas and the week
11 following Christmas.

12 And, Suzanne, I don't know that anybody
13 has read the minutes from 2014 where we talked about
14 the days we gave in 2013, but is this pretty
15 consistent with what we've done in previous years?

16 MS. BROWN: Last year was the only year
17 we extended it. It usually always stays in the two
18 weeks.

19 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The Board will stay
20 open on December 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30 and 31.

21 MR. PAYNE: Does the Board have any
22 comments, questions, or concerns related to the
23 holiday hours?

24 MR. HAAS: I move the Board accept the

1 proposed holiday hours as proposed.

2 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: Is there a second?

3 MS. MARINELLO: Second.

4 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: All those in favor?

5 (Vote taken; motion passes.)

6 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: That motion carries.

7 That's all we have. Is there a motion to

8 adjourn?

9 MS. MARINELLO: So move.

10 MR. HAAS: Second.

11 DIRECTOR ANTHONY: The meeting is

12 adjourned.

13 (The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.)

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CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of the proceedings taken by me in this matter on Monday, November 23, 2015, and carefully compared with my original stenographic notes.

Rosemary Foster Anderson

Rosemary Foster Anderson,
Professional Reporter and Notary
Public in and for the State
Ohio.



My commission expires April 5, 2019.

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