



AGENDA COVER MEMO

Memorandum Date: July 1, 2024

Meeting Date: July 16, 2024

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: County Administration

PRESENTED BY: Dena Dawson, Lane County Clerk

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: REPORT/ In the Matter of Reporting on Lane County Elections
Work for the May Primary, July Recall, and November Presidential
Elections

I. MOTION

Not applicable

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

This item is a report from the Lane County Clerk on work for the May Primary, July Recall, and November Presidential Elections.

BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

Not applicable.

B. Policy Issues

No policy issues.

C. Board Goals

Not applicable.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Not applicable.

E. Health Implications

Not applicable.

F. Analysis

Staffing Update:

- Elections and Recording Supervisor, Pamela Nevin, started on July 8th. Ms. Nevin will be focusing on Recording for the first year and will then be cross trained on elections.
- Elections and Recording Manager, Richard Barron, starts on July 22nd. Mr. Barron brings with over 23 years of election experience. For the first year, Mr. Barron will focus on Elections, and will then be crossed trained on Recording.
- Former interim Elections and Recording Manager, Rebecca Baker, will be assisting with onboarding, and support multiple technical election projects.
- There are currently two vacant positions in the Clerk's office, one of which is a critical operations lead role. We are looking forward to going into the Presidential Election cycle with a full staff.

Primary Election May 21, 2024

- E+56 (fifty-six days since the Primary).
- 36% turnout.
- 230 ballots returned without signatures, of those 102 were cured and had their ballot counted.
- 637 ballots challenged due to signature discrepancy, of those 258 were cured and had their ballot counted.
- Automatic Recount for State Representative, District 8, REP race, found zero discrepancies. Recount was due to a tie vote for the top two write-in votes. Both write-in candidates received 7 votes. The Secretary of State's office had to conduct a tiebreaker.

Recall Election, July 30, 2024

- E-14 (fourteen days until the recall election).
- 7,513 voters.
- One ballot style.
- Local and out-of-state ballots were mailed, two dropsites opened, and livestream started on July 11th.
- Tentative schedule of ballot processing events, results schedule, and other important dates are available on our website.

Presidential Election, November 5, 2024

- E-112 (one hundred and twelve days until the Presidential).
- Presidential Election landing page is up on elections website.
- Special District Candidate filing begins this week.
- Deadline to refer ballot text or prepared ballot title is only 32 days from today.
- We'll be creating and proofing ballots in just 52 days.

"I Voted" Coloring Page Contest Update

- Still only one submission.

G. Alternatives/Options

Not applicable.

III. RECOMMENDATION

No action is required by the Board.

IV. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Not applicable.

V. FOLLOW-UP

Bi-weekly updates to the Board for the Presidential Election will begin in September.

VI. ATTACHMENTS

None.