Bonner County
Board of Commissioners

Brian Domke Asia Williams Ron Korn

Special Meeting Minutes

Date: May 28, 2026
Location: 1500 Hwy 2, Suite 338
Sandpoint, ID 83864
Convene at: 10:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS: Domke – Present Williams – Present Korn – Absent
OTHERS PRESENT: Tere Schultz, Shannon Mercurio, Emily Wohali, Michael Rosedale

Purpose/Topic Summary: May 19, 2026 Elections Canvass

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Commissioner Domke called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Clerk Michael Rosedale and Tere Schultz discussed the Election and presented the May 19, 2026 Elections Canvass. Mike thanked his elections staff; everything went off without a hitch. There were exactly 15,000 votes. There were eight "spoiled" ballots. There was one error on a ballot at the Airport polling place. Someone got a Northside Fire levy question when they should not have. Mike listed a few other ballot errors. There were roughly 175 volunteer poll workers.

Commissioner Williams said that people should check how they're registered before they vote, as many were wanting ballots differently to how they were registered to vote. She got a few calls about those kinds of issues. Mike discussed how the system works, and who can get what ballot based on how they're registered.

There was roughly a 45% turnout; one of the highest in the state. He discussed some of the close races for committeemen.

Commissioner Domke asked about the spoiled votes. Tere explained what happened with those ballots.

Mike talked about a change in poll place in Cocolalla, and the multiple avenues they used to make sure the public knew about the new polling place.

There was one issue with one of the races. One of the people who ran used a possible incorrect address. Legal said this would be an issue for the courts; the Clerk cannot invalidate that race in any way. Someone would have to bring that issue to court. The only job the county has in this matter is to count the votes and announce the results. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Domke asked for a motion.
Commissioner Williams read the motion presented by Clerk Rosedale into the record as follows: "We the commissioners of the county and state aforesaid, acting as a Board of Canvassers of Election, convened on May 28, 2026, do hereby state that the attached is a true and complete abstract of all votes cast within this county for the candidates and/or questions as they appeared at the election held on May 19, 2026, as shown by the records now on file in the County Clerk's office." Commissioner Domke stepped down from the chair and seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Domke – Yes; Commissioner Williams - Yes. The motion carries.

Adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Deputy Clerk: *Lauren Reichenbach*