**NYE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM**

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<th>Department: Clerk</th>
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<td>Category: Timed Agenda Item - 10:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Phone: (775) 751-7049</td>
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<td>Prepared by: Mark F Kampf</td>
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**Action requested:** (Include what, with whom, when, where, why, and terms)

Presentation by Nye County Clerk, Mark F. Kampf regarding the results of the paper ballot and hand count process and changes in the 2024 Election Cycle process, particularly the Presidential Preference Primary which is new for this election cycle.

**Complete description of requested action:** (Include, if applicable, background, impact, long-term commitment, existing county policy, future goals, obtained by competitive bid, accountability measures)

Discuss the election process implemented for the General Election in 2022, lessons learned and future implication for the county. Highlight the changes that will occur in the 2024 General Election cycle that will impact Nye County.

Cost to Nye County of the Presidential Preference Primary to be determined prior to the budget cycle.

**Recommendation:**

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**Review & Approval**

| Legal Review Required: | Yes | No | Legal Approval Received: | | Date: |
| Financial Review Required: | Yes | No | Submitted to Finance: | | Date: |
| Administrative Manager Review: | Yes | No | Place on Agenda: | | Initials: ST |

Item # 9
2022 General Election Review

Voter Turnout Analysis
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Process Change
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Voter Turnout Analysis

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>General Voters</th>
<th>Primary Voters</th>
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<th>Registered Turnout %</th>
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<td>2022</td>
<td>20,890</td>
<td>12,450</td>
<td>33,796</td>
<td>61.8%</td>
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<td>2020</td>
<td>25,472</td>
<td>31,434</td>
<td>33,976</td>
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<td>2018</td>
<td>17,560</td>
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<td>29,063</td>
<td>60.4%</td>
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- Increased voter turnout from 2018 Mid-Term (61.8% vs 60.4%)
- 2,362 increase in voter registrations since June Primary
# 2022 General Election Review

## Voter Turnout Analysis

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<td>2022 Mid-term</td>
<td>4,171</td>
<td>11,291</td>
<td>5,428</td>
<td>20,890</td>
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<td>% of vote</td>
<td>20.0%</td>
<td>54.0%</td>
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<td>registered</td>
<td>5,898</td>
<td>15,456</td>
<td>12,442</td>
<td>33,796</td>
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<td>% of total</td>
<td>70.7%</td>
<td>73.0%</td>
<td>43.6%</td>
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<td>2018 Mid-term</td>
<td>4,258</td>
<td>9,465</td>
<td>3,859</td>
<td>17,582</td>
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<td>% of vote</td>
<td>24.2%</td>
<td>53.8%</td>
<td>21.9%</td>
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2022 General Election Review
Paper Ballots at the Polls

- Ballot stock, envelopes and inserts in process on 8/6.
- Poll ballot needs analyzed using Precinct trends. Running out of ballots at polls not an option.
- Sequentially numbered by Precinct. (No watermarks.)
- Ballots reconciled to registrations daily.
- Ballots movements controlled with Sheriff transport and body cameras and with chain of custody documents.
2022 General Election Review
Paper Ballots at the Polls

• Voters positive about paper ballot.
• Voters with disabilities provided a separate line to access Bob Ruud.
• 249 voters used handicap accessible machine (vs 16 in primary).
2022 General Election Review
Serving the Nye County Tribal Communities

• Early Voting 10/25, Duckwater Tribe. Elder identified for translation. First time for tribal poll worker.
• Election Day polling location set up for Yomba Shoshone Tribe at their center in the Reese River Valley.
• Special THANK YOU to Karlyle and Geraldine Shook who volunteered to staff the Yomba Poll.
2022 General Election Review
Tabulation of Paper Ballots

- Tabulation was primary method for determining election results.
- Ballots sorted by Precinct prior to tabulation.
- 90% of ballots tabulated by midnight on election night.
- 81% of results reported on election night.
- No delays as result of paper ballots.
- Election results reported to the NVSOS on schedule.
2022 General Election Review
Hand Count

• BOCC requested hand count (and paper ballots) at March 15 meeting
• Not the primary method to determine election results.
• Initial process revised to align with NVSOS method.
• Count of mail ballots started 10/26 - 98 volunteers at 250 N 160.
• Process halted on 10/27 and restarted on November 10 two weeks later.
2022 General Election Review
Hand Count

- ACLU suit, emergency motion with the NV Supreme Court stopped the count on 10/27.
- ACLU then filed an Election Integrity Violation Report.
- Revised procedure submitted 11/2 to NVSOS was approved 6 days later.
- Count process restarted on November 10
2022 General Election Review

Hand Count

• Revised process – silent count by three talliers and verification management by control team.
• Purple pens and gloves.
• 215 volunteers over 8 days average of 80 per day. Core team Pahrump residents. VEA provided location.
• Karen McHale led Ballot Control and Laura Larsen was Floor Supervisor.
• Count ended November 17 due to requirement for ballots to secured by the certification date (11/18).
2022 General Election Review
Hand Count

- 17,700 ballots tallied over 8 days.
- 2,200 ballots tallied per day.
- 99.89% accurate compared to tabulation of ballots.
- Manual count had greater accuracy than tabulation.
- Visible marks considered a vote vs 5% sensitivity of the tabulator.
2022 General Election Review
Hand Count

- 20,890 ballots / 2200 per day = 9 ½ days to count
- 14,215 mail ballots = 6 ½ days
- Early and Election Day 6,675 ballots = 3 days
- Hand Count could be complete by 3rd day after election under current universal ballot laws.
2022 General Election Review
Future Considerations

• Fix Precinct boundaries.
• Evaluate full hand count, full parallel process, hybrid or alternative vote verification systems.
• Expand Early Voting locations.
• Expand Election Day polling locations in Pahrump.
• Provide shelter for voters from heat and rain.
• Plan for Presidential Preference Primary in February 2024.