Christian County Clerk & Recorder



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RE: Discovery Recount Summary

Per 10 ILCS 5/22-9.1, "The results of the examination and count shall not be certified, used to amend or change the abstracts of the votes previously completed, used to deny the successful candidate for the same office his certificate of nomination or election, nor used to change the previously declared result of the vote on a question of public policy."

On November 21, 2018, a request from County Board District #3 candidate Beverly Graham was submitted to the office of the County Clerk. By statute, she requested a discovery recount for the following precincts: Taylorville #1, Taylorville #7, and Taylorville #8. The statutorily required fee was paid and the petition requested the opportunity to examine ballot applications, voter affidavits, ballots, and voting machines. A re-test of the automated tabulating equipment was requested. A recount of the ballots cast in those three precincts was also requested.

On Thursday November 29 at 9:00am, the process of the discovery recount began with the testing of the tabulating equipment along with the recounting of the ballots. Four election judges were present. In pairs, the election judges counted the ballots from each precinct and from the early voting machines used at the courthouse. The re-tests of the tabulating equipment were compared to the test results produced prior to the election and no discrepancies were present.

Multiple hand counts were completed by each pair of election judges for each precinct. All of the ballots were also recounted using the same machines from Election Day.

The results of the discovery recount are as follows:

Candidate	Precinct	Election Results	Discovery Recount Results	Total Change
BEVERLY GRAHAM	Taylorville #1	193	191	-2
	Taylorville #7	180	181	+1
	Taylorville #8	224	224	0
RAYMOND KOONCE	Taylorville #1	221	220	-1
	Taylorville #7	181	180	-1
	Taylorville #8	253	254	+1

When the results of the precincts counted are compared to the original precincts and the remaining precincts of County Board District #3 are added together, the margin between the two candidates remains the same. The net change for each candidate is a reduction of one vote using the results of the discovery recount. As stated above, no change to the certified election results are made with a discovery recount.

Respectfully,

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