

**Special Meeting**

**November 7, 2008**

The Board of County Commissioners, in and for the County of Otero, State of New Mexico, met in a Special Meeting at the Otero County Courthouse in Alamogordo, County and State aforesaid. Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 10:00 a.m., November 7; 2008 and he announced that reasonable notice for this meeting was given to the Alamogordo Daily News, and to Radio Stations, KPSA, KINN and KYEE.

**Present:**

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| Doug Moore      | Chairman           |
| Clarissa McGinn | Vice-Chairperson   |
| Michael Nivison | Member             |
| Timothy Smith   | County Manager     |
| Dan Bryan       | County Attorney    |
| Pamela Heltner  | Commission Liaison |
| Lynn Estrada    | Deputy Clerk       |

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Dan Bryant gave the invocation. Commissioner McGinn led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Salute to the Flag of the State of New Mexico.

Commissioner Moore announced that the purpose of this Special Meeting is to canvass and approve the November 4, 2008 General Election.

Robyn Holmes, County Clerk and Denise Reliford, Elections Coordinator, were present from the County Clerk's Office to conduct the Canvass. Ms. Holmes stated that we have one provisional ballot in the ballot box before you. A representative from Judge Counts office will be bringing the key that was sent to them to unlock the box. Dan Bryant stated that when we have election returns that are put

in the ballot box, the statute requires the box be brought forth to the Canvassing Board in the presence of the County Clerk and a representative from District Court. The box is opened, the missing returns are retrieved and the box is locked again.

Commissioner Nivison chose precincts 8A, 4 and 6 to check. Commissioner Moore chose precincts 18, 35 and 1. Commissioner McGinn chose precincts 10A, 15A and 17 to check.

Commissioner McGinn made a motion that we have certified the canvass of votes for the 2008 General Election. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nivison. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. See pages

2. Federal Forest Reserve Payment to States (Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act).

Commissioner McGinn made a motion to approve the Federal Forest Reserve payment to States with Title I being 85 percent allocation, Title II being 8 percent and Title III being 7 percent. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Nivison. A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously. See pages

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:13 a.m.

APPROVED:

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Doug Moore, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Robyn Holmes, County Clerk

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