

**BERKS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
November 15, 2024 – 8:00 A.M.**

Michael S. Rivera, Chair  
Christian Y. Leinbach, Vice Chair  
Dante Santoni, Jr., Commissioner  
Anne Norton, Chief Clerk  
Christine M. Sadler, County Solicitor – not present  
Cody L. Kauffman, First Assistant County Solicitor

**CALL TO ORDER:** 8:00 A.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The Board deferred the approval of the minutes for the November 14, 2024 meeting.

**Agenda Items**

1. **Receipt of the Official Computation and Canvassing of Votes Cast at the November 5, 2024 General Election and Commencement of the Five (5) Day period of Public Inspection**

On the motion of Commissioner Santoni, seconded by Commissioner Rivera, the Board accepted the official canvass for the 2024 General Election and announced the start of the five-day review period, beginning at 8 a.m. on Friday, November 15.

Commissioner Rivera said that the 2% audit, which will be conducted by hand count, will start on Monday, November 18, 2024. He encouraged the parties to contact Election Services for further information about participating and observing. He further noted that the state has ordered a statewide recount for the U.S. Senate race. He said Berks will begin the recount on Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

First Assistant County Solicitor Cody Kauffman noted that the recount would not affect the five-day review period but could impact the final certification. He said, if needed, the Board could certify all the results except the U.S. Senate race and then certify that race after the recount is complete.

**Election Director's Report**

None.

**Public Comment**

None.

**General Comments from the Board regarding current election-related issues**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT** 8:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anne Norton", written over a horizontal line.

Anne Norton, Chief Clerk