

Milwaukee County

Election Commission

Meeting Minutes

Chairperson: Tim Posnanski Elections Director: Michelle R. Hawley County Clerk: George L. Christenson

April 6, 2023	9:00 am	Courthouse Rm G7/Microsoft Teams 901 N. 9th Street Milwaukee, WI
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The Milwaukee County Board of Election Commissioners met as the County Board of Canvassers on Thursday, April 6, 2023 to convene the canvass of the April 4, 2023 Spring Election and Special Election.

The meeting was convened by Chairman Posnanski at 9:01 a.m.

County Clerk George Christenson called the roll:

Chairman Posnanski – Present Commissioner Martin – Present Commissioner Fritz – Present

Quorum was established.

Also present: Elections Director Michelle Hawley; Deputy Elections Director Jon Janowski, Deputy Clerk Stefan Dostanic, Information Coordinator Dan Benson, members of the Election Commission staff, and members of the media.

Elections Director Hawley reported the unofficial election results. A total of 235,762 ballots were cast in the Spring Election and voter turnout was 45 percent.

Elections Director Hawley provided the reporting units for a voluntary, independent audit which is expected to be performed prior to the conclusion of the County Canvass.

- City of Bayside (Wards 2, 4)
- City of West Milwaukee (Wards 1, 2, 5)
- City of Milwaukee (Ward 103 Central Count only)

Ms. Hawley said that her staff would be prioritizing the canvass activities related to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, District 14 primary contest due to the short turnaround time for securing ballots. The earliest certification of this contest may occur is Friday, April 7th after 4:00 p.m. (Ms. Hawley inadvertently misstated the deadline was noon on Friday during the session), which is the deadline for voters to cure any outstanding provisional ballots. There is one outstanding provisional ballot in this district. The Special Election for the County Board of Supervisors, District 14 contest is scheduled for Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

Ms. Hawley noted that the second priority for her staff would be completing the canvass for the City of Milwaukee Common Council District 1 due to the possibility of a recount.

Chairman Posnanski ordered the commencement of the County Canvass. The canvass will be conducted at the County Courthouse, Room G7 and is open to the public daily from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Milwaukee County Board of Election Commissioners will reconvene on **Friday**, **April 7**, **2023** at **4:15 p.m.** to certify the results of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, District 14 contest, and then the Commissioners will reconvene again next week to certify the balance of the election results and to close the canvass.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 a.m. by Chairman Posnanski.