

**LUZERNE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION  
SPECIAL MEETING FOR ADJUDICATION OF THE NOVEMBER 2023 MUNICIPAL  
ELECTION**

**NOVEMBER 10, 2023 at 9:00 A.M.**

**Room 301**

**Penn Place Building**

**20 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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**AGENDA ITEMS**

**1. Adjudication**

*Process For each Category:*

*\*Category/Number of Ballots in Category/ Election Code and Case*

*Law on Category/ Recommendation of Solicitor / Discussion by Board*

*Members/ Comments by Party Representatives / Vote by Board Members*

*Introduction of Party Representatives*

**A. Mail-in / Absentee Ballots Set Aside Due to Death of Voter Prior to Opening of Polls**

**B. Mail-in / Absentee Ballots Cancelled by Election Bureau Due to Deficiency with New Mail-in/Absentee Ballot Requested and Issued at Bureau Office**

**C. I.D. Not Verified Mail-in / Absentee Ballots**

**D. No Signature on File Mail-in / Absentee Ballots**

**E. Undeliverable Mail-in / Absentee Ballots Returned to Election Bureau**

**F. Mail-in / Absentee Ballot Outer Envelope Deficiencies**

- No Outer Envelope
- No Signature
- Bad Affirmation (Wrong Name, No Witness for “X”)
- No Date
- Wrong Date (Date Out of Range)
- Seal Issue(s) with Outer Envelope

**G. Mail-in / Absentee Ballot Inner (Secrecy) Envelope Deficiencies**

- No Secrecy Envelope (Naked Ballot)
- Mail-in Ballots of Voters Not Sent Secrecy Envelope in Initial Mail-In Envelope
- Identifying Marks on Inner (Secrecy) Envelope (Name, Party or Candidate Preference)
- Partially Naked Ballots - (Fully enclosed in Secrecy Envelope but not Fully Sealed)

**H. Other Mail-in Ballots**

**-Wilkes-Barre Segregated Ballots**

Verify if all correct ballots returned

**-Mail-in / Absentee Ballots with Identifying Marks**

**-Mail-in / Absentee Damaged Ballots**

**I. Provisional Ballots**

*Each of these categories also need to be checked for: Outer Envelope, Voter Signature on Envelope, Judge / Inspector Signatures on Envelope, identifying marks on Secrecy envelope, identifying marks on ballot*

**-No Outer Envelope**

**-Mail-in Ballot Voter -Voted Provisionally - Deemed Voted Already by Mail-in Ballot in S.U.R.E. System**

**-Voter was issued but did not successfully vote an absentee or mail-in ballot and ballot was not surrendered at the polling place to be spoiled. (Confirmed in SURE Registry)**

**-Voter's Mail-in or Absentee Ballot was rejected/cancelled within SURE System – Voter Voted Provisionally at Poll to “Cure” Ballot**

**\*\*Compare against previously adjudicated and approved mail-in ballots by Board\*\***

**-Voter's Name was not in Poll Book or Supplemental Poll Book – Voted in Wrong Precinct**

**-Voter's Name was not in Poll Book or Supplemental Poll Book – Voter had a change in address and did not report a recent change in residence to county Election Office**

**-Voter's Name was not in Poll Book or Supplemental Poll Book – But was found in SURE Registry by Election Bureau Staff**

**-Voter Not Registered or Cancelled Registration**

**-Voter Registered “Out of County”**

**Voter Required to Show I.D. and not able to Show I.D. at Poll**

**-Voter Eligibility Challenged by an Election Official**

**-Special Court Order with Respect to Voter's Status**

**-Special Court Order Related to Extending the Hours of Voting**

**-Voter Refused to Vote on Voting Machines – Requested Voting Provisionally**

**-Other Provisional Ballots**

**J. Wyoming Area School Board Race – Wyoming County Candidates on Ballot**

**K.-Military Ballots/Overseas Ballots**

**L. I.D. Not Verified / Signature Not on File Mail-in Ballots Reconciled**

**M. Adjudication of Write-in Votes, Mail-in Ballot/Provisional Ballot with Over Votes & Ambiguous Marks**

**N. Risk-Limiting Audit – (if County is Designated by PA Dept. Of State)**

**O. 2% Audit**

**P. Reconciliation**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

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## **ADJOURNMENT**