

BOARD OF ELECTIONS
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK

BOARD OF CANVASSERS MEETING

42 Broadway - 6th floor
Commissioners' Hearing Room

New York, NY 10004

April 15, 2021

10:00 a.m. - 10:11 a.m.

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PRESENT:

Secretary Miguelina Camilo

Commissioner Gino Marmorato

Commissioner Tiffany Townsend

Commissioner John Wm. Zaccone

Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director

Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager

Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager

Hemalee Patel, General Counsel

Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel

Matt Graves, CRU

Michael Carmosino, CRU

Brendaliz Candelaria, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx

Steve Alfasi, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx

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2 (The meeting commenced at 10:03 a.m.)

3 MS. DAWN SANDOW: Good morning,
4 everyone, today is Thursday 15, 2021. The Board
5 of Canvassers is meeting to certify the results
6 of the March 23rd special elections in the city
7 of New York, the 11th Council District and the
8 15th Council District. I'd like to do a roll
9 call. Secretary Camilo?

10 SECRETARY MIGUELINA CAMILO: Present.

11 MS. SANDOW: Commissioner Marmorato?

12 COMMISSIONER GINO MARMORATO: Present,
13 good morning everyone.

14 MS. SANDOW: Commissioner Townsend?

15 COMMISSIONER TIFFANY TOWNSEND: Good
16 morning, present.

17 MS. SANDOW: Commissioner Zaccone?

18 COMMISSIONER JOHN WM. ZACCONE: Good
19 morning, everyone, present.

20 MS. SANDOW: Pamela Perkins?

21 MS. PAMELA PERKINS: Present.

22 MS. SANDOW: Georgea Kontzamanis?

23 MS. GEORGEA KONTZAMANIS: Present.

24 MS. SANDOW: Our legal unit, Hemalee

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2 Patel.

3 MS. HEMALEE PATEL: Present.

4 MS. SANDOW: Raphael Savino?

5 MR. RAPHAEL SAVINO: Present.

6 MS. SANDOW: Matt Graves, CRU Unit is
7 present and Michael Carmosino is also present.
8 Commissioner Camilo, I'm going to hand over the
9 opening statements to you.

10 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you. Good
11 morning. Pursuant to the provisions of Title 2,
12 Article 9 of the New York State Election Law, I
13 call the meeting of the Board of Canvassers in
14 the city of New York to order for the purposes of
15 certifying the recanvas of votes passed for March
16 23, 2021 special elections in Bronx County for
17 the 11th [unintelligible] [00:05:02] City Council
18 District. I'm going to ask everyone to mute,
19 because I hear a lot of feedback. Thank you so
20 much. So I'm designating for the meeting,
21 Commissioner Marmorato of Bronx County,
22 Republican commissioner, Commissioner Zaccone,
23 the Republican commissioner of Richmond County
24 and Commissioner Townsend, the Democratic

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2 commissioner of New York City, who have been
3 designated to serve on the canvassing board.

4 It is my understanding that the deputy
5 chief clerks of Bronx County and their staff have
6 prepared and signed the return of canvas for the
7 March 23, 2021 special election in Bronx County
8 in accordance with the board's policy and
9 procedures. I would ask that they present them to
10 canvassing board for review and approval, which I
11 believe has been done, and I will now ask, for
12 the record, a series of questions with respect to
13 the return of canvas that have been presented by
14 the Bronx staff.

15 Do the Bronx deputy chief clerks confirm
16 that the results presented are accurate and
17 correct?

18 MR. STEVE ALFASI: Yes.

19 MS. BRENDA LIZ CANDELARIA: Yes, we do.

20 SECRETARY CAMILO: Are there any
21 discrepancies to report to the board?

22 MS. CANDELARIA: No.

23 MR. ALFASI: No.

24 SECRETARY CAMILO: Has the audit of the

1 April 15, 2021

2 poll site and central count scanners required by
3 Article 9 of the New York State election law been
4 successfully completed?

5 MR. ALFASI: Yes.

6 MS. CANDELARIA: Yes.

7 SECRETARY CAMILO: Based on the report,
8 I would entertain a motion that the board of
9 canvassers certify the results of the return of
10 canvas for the March 23, 2021 special election
11 conducted in Bronx County, if I may have a
12 motion.

13 COMMISSIONER MARMORATO: I move to
14 certify the results for the March 23, 2021
15 special election conducted in Bronx County.

16 SECRETARY CAMILO: And is there a
17 second?

18 COMMISSIONER ZACCONE: I'll second that.

19 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you,
20 Commissioner Zacccone. All in favor?

21 MULTIPLE: Aye.

22 SECRETARY CAMILO: Any opposed or any
23 abstentions? Hearing none, the return of canvas
24 prepared and submitted by the Bronx staff of the

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2 Board of Elections is adopted unanimously. I will
3 now ask if there is a motion to authorize the use
4 of the commissioners' electronic signatures as
5 appropriate on each statement and return of
6 canvas. If I may have a motion?

7 COMMISSIONER MARMORATO: I move to
8 authorize the use of commissioners' electronic
9 signatures as appropriate on each statement and
10 return of canvas.

11 SECRETARY CAMILO: And is there a
12 second?

13 COMMISSIONER TOWNSEND: I'll second.

14 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you,
15 Commissioner Townsend, the motion is -- oh, all
16 in favor?

17 MULTIPLE: Aye.

18 SECRETARY CAMILO: All opposed? Or
19 abstentions? Hearing none, the motion is adopted.
20 There being no further business before the board
21 of canvassers in the city of New York, I would
22 entertain a motion --

23 COMMISSIONER ZACCONE: Commissioner,
24 just before we adjourn, I'd like to point out for

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2 the record, that this committee of canvassers was
3 duly appointed by the board at its meeting
4 yesterday to act as a committee of the board, a
5 committee of canvassers in its stead of the full
6 board.

7 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you so much,
8 Commissioner Zaccone. I'm going to take a brief
9 moment before we adjourn to thank our wonderful
10 Bronx staff. You've done a tremendous job,
11 holding a special while preparing for our
12 hearings for the June primary and certifying the
13 day after. You are amazing and you know we all
14 appreciate you so much and our executive staff,
15 and our legal staff, coming out of a long day
16 yesterday and here we are taking care of business
17 still, so thank you all so much. Commissioner
18 Marmorato, if you want to add, yes?

19 COMMISSIONER MARMORATO: You said
20 everything perfect. I share in your thank you and
21 appreciate to our staff, to Deputies Candelaria
22 and Alfasi, to legal counsel, to general office
23 and also to Commissioner Zaccone and Commissioner
24 Townsend for appearing today. Thank you for your

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2 time.

3 COMMISSIONER ZACCONE: You're most
4 welcome and I join in your thanks of everybody
5 else but myself.

6 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you so much.

7 COMMISSIONER MARMORATO: And I'll
8 second.

9 SECRETARY CAMILO: Thank you, thank you,
10 commissioners. There being no further business
11 before the board of canvassers in the city of New
12 York I would now entertain a motion to adjourn
13 the meeting.

14 COMMISSIONER MARMORATO: Move to adjourn
15 today's meeting.

16 SECRETARY CAMILO: If someone may
17 second?

18 COMMISSIONER TOWNSEND: I'll second.

19 SECRETARY CAMILO: All in favor?

20 MULTIPLE: Aye.

21 SECRETARY CAMILO: Any opposed, any
22 abstentions, hearing none, the motion is adopted
23 and the board of canvassers stands adjourned.
24 Thank you all so much for joining us this

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morning.

COMMISSIONER TOWNSEND: Thank you.

COMMISSIONER ZACCONE: Thank you, and
thank you for great job of running the meeting.

(The meeting concluded at 10:11 a.m.)

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