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Corrections to election results for the November 3rd, 2026 General Election

A discrepancy was discovered late afternoon on Thursday, November 5th, 2026 during our post-election audit procedures being done by the canvassing board. The duties of the canvass board are to inspect all precinct lists, audits, reports and votes cast for accuracy. This is how the discrepancy was discovered. It was discovered that 2 precincts had some ballots inadvertently scanned more than once on election night. The Secretary of State's office was contacted first thing Friday morning. We were given guidelines & procedures to make the necessary corrections so that results align correctly. The ballots were re-scanned from those 2 precincts and results were checked to ensure the counts matched the voter turnout for each precinct, corrected results have been verified, updated and posted.

32-1031. County canvassing board; canvass of votes; procedure.

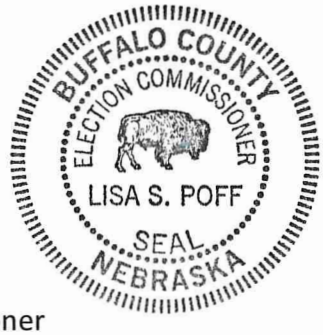
(1) The election commissioner or county clerk shall, prior to noon on the day after election day, post in a conspicuous place in the office of such election commissioner or county clerk a notice stating the day and hour when the county canvassing board will convene.
(2) After counting the ballots under section 32-1027 but no earlier than twenty-four hours after the notice is posted as required under subsection (1) of this section, the county canvassing board shall proceed with the official canvass of votes cast on election day. If in the process of canvassing the votes for any candidate or measure in any precinct the election commissioner or county clerk or the canvassing board determines that there is an obvious error in the certification of the votes, the error shall be corrected. The county canvassing board may open the ballots-cast container and recount the ballots for any candidate or any measure which appears to be in error. If the county canvassing board finds and corrects any such error, it shall make the correction entry in the precinct sign-in register, the precinct list of registered voters, and the official summary or summaries of votes cast and shall attach a letter of explanation to each book where the correction was made. The letter shall be signed by all members of the county canvassing board.
(3) When it has been determined that the returns in all precincts are correct, the county canvassing board shall provide a record of the results to the election commissioner or county clerk either in a ledger or by using a computer printout. The election commissioner or county clerk shall preserve the record of the results for the period of time specified by the State Records Administrator pursuant to the Records Management Act, and then it may be transferred to the State Archives of the Nebraska State Historical Society for permanent preservation.

(4) Any recesses or adjournments of the county canvassing board shall be to a fixed time and publicly announced. When a recess is called, all ballots that have not been counted and all other supplies shall be placed in a fireproof safe or other suitable location which is locked until such board reconvenes.

Source: Laws 1994, LB 76, § 325; Laws 2005, LB 98, § 28; Laws 2012, LB1035, § 3; Laws 2022, LB843, § 38; Laws 2026, LB1075, § 33.
Operative Date: April 16, 2026

Cross References: Records Management Act, see section 84-1220.

Sincerely,



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