

The Honorable Board of Lyon County Commissioners met this day, Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the DAYTON UTILITIES CONFERENCE ROOM, 34 LAKES BLVD, DAYTON, NV 89403.

1. Roll Call

Present: Ken Gray, Vida Keller, Wes Henderson, Robert Jacobson, and Dave Hockaday

Staff: District Attorney Steve Rye and County Manager Jeff Page

2. Invocation given by John Poundstone of Joy Church

John Poundstone gave the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Participation

There were none given.

5. For Possible Action: Review and adoption of agenda

Comm. Keller moved to approve the agenda as presented, Comm. Hockaday seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

6. Time Certain

6.a. TIME CERTAIN at 9:30 AM: For Possible Action: Discussion and deliberation to request the Lyon County Clerk to conduct voting in the 2022 Primary and General elections within each precinct, to use a commercially available secure paper ballot, and hand count the paper ballots at the precinct level submitted by Lyon County voters to ensure accuracy and transparency of the democratic voting process. (Requested by Comm. Ken Gray)

Comm. Gray stated this item doesn't reflect on the job that the Lyon County Clerk Treasurer does or her office. It's a result from reports of those who testified there have been discrepancies. He gave a report of his belief in the importance of accuracy. He wanted to highlight this issue at the County level.

Secretary of State Candidate Jim Marchant gave a testament of his belief of a forensic backup of electronic machines. The machines are not accurate or secure. They can be manipulated by people and the constituents need to be protected. They cannot be legitimately certified. He gave an account of the Clerk of Messa County Colorado and her experience.

Mark Cook gave his background and experience. He is an advocate of technology; however, there are those who negatively affect people's lives. He reviewed the backup of a system that was provided to him by another county office. A discrepancy was found in the before and after images and the missing images. He then rebuilt the software to mirror what it was before, bypassed the password, and was able to open the General Election of the 2020 database. He was also able to change that database, and was able to log into the database wirelessly through his cell phone.

Clerk-Treasurer Nikki Bryan asked for clarification on what system he is referring to.

Mark Cook answered he couldn't answer but it is in the backup material.

County Manager Jeff Page stated the public has a right to know.

Mark Cook referred to the material provided and read into the record from report number one, page 10, "Two backup images were obtained, using forensic imaging methods, from the Dominion Voting Systems Democracy Suite Electronic Election Management System, version EMS Standard Server in the D-Suite 5.11.CO version configuration. He continued with the review of discrepancies that he found along with updates and vulnerabilities. He continued to further explain a bug that was identified in a certified software.

Jim Marchant testified the paper ballots are the best and they should have holograms and watermarks on them. Over long-term the paper ballots will save money because the machines cost more money. He wants all ballots to be hand counted and not counted by a machine.

Clerk-Treasurer Nikki Bryan gave her statement that she adamantly disagrees with the presentation. She follows State Law and the voting procedures should be changed through the Legislature and the Governor. There are laws that she doesn't agree with such as all mail in ballots, same day registration, and taking ballots four days after the election.