



MINUTES

OCTOBER 24, 2023

BRAZOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

WORKSHOP SESSION

1. Call to Order

A Workshop Session of the Commissioners' Court of Brazos County, Texas was held in the Brazos County Commissioners Courtroom in the Administration Building, 200 South Texas Avenue, in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas, beginning at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 with the following members of the Court present:

Duane Peters, County Judge, Presiding;
Steve Aldrich, Commissioner of Precinct 1;
Chuck Konderla, Commissioner of Precinct 2, Present via Video-conference;
Nancy Berry, Commissioner of Precinct 3;
Wanda J. Watson, Commissioner of Precinct 4;
Karen McQueen, County Clerk.

The attached sheets contain the names of the citizens and officials that were in attendance.

2. Presentation and discussion on Election Integrity by Dr. Walter Daugherty.

Judge Peters called the meeting to Order immediately following the Regular Meeting and introduced presenter, Dr. Walter Daugherty.

Dr. Daugherty stated that the purpose of his presentation is to assist in providing steps to improve elections. He argued that elections are the bedrock of our society and it is imperative that citizens believe elections are honest and fair. Dr. Daugherty posed the question, "do we have honest elections?" His analysis of election data from approximately 10 percent of counties within the United States revealed that 298 counties showed statistical impossibilities. Based on that data, he concludes that we likely do not have honest elections. He recommended four improvements to be made to better our election process:

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Dr. Daugherity further detailed each of those improvements. One of the major points shared was regarding certification of voting machine testing labs. Dr. Daugherity explained that neither the HART Intercivic System or ES&S are properly certified by an accredited testing facility, as required by the Election Code. Judge Peters stated that HART is the voting machine used by Brazos County and is approved by the Secretary of State. Dr. Daugherity reiterated a need for accountability in the matter. He concluded with two final points. First, he believes that the voter rolls need to be better maintained, especially in regards to deceased, registered voters. Second, a return to precinct voting would help preserve the integrity of elections.

Judge Peters stated that this is a non-partisan issue and it is of the utmost importance that the County does everything within its power to ensure fair and honest elections. A copy of the presentation is attached.

The County Judge adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

3. Adjourn



The foregoing minutes of the Commissioners Court Workshop Session held October 24, 2023, have been examined and are approved in open Court this the 7th day of November 2023, in Bryan, Brazos County, Texas.

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Duane Peters
County Judge

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Steve Aldrich
Commissioner, Precinct 1

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Chuck Konderla
Commissioner, Precinct 2

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Nancy Berry
Commissioner, Precinct 3

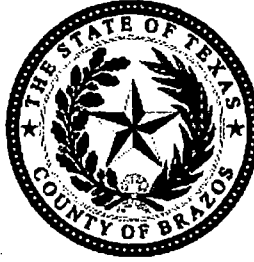
A blue ink signature of Wanda J. Watson, written in a cursive style, positioned above a horizontal line.

Wanda J. Watson
Commissioner, Precinct 4

Attest:

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Karen McQueen
County Clerk



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BRYAN, TEXAS**

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NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA

WORKSHOP SESSION

BRAZOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

BRAZOS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL MEET IN A WORKSHOP SESSION AS FOLLOWS:

MEETING DATE: October 24, 2023
MEETING TIME: 10:30 AM
MEETING PLACE: Brazos County Administration Building, 200 S. Texas Avenue,
Suite 106, Bryan, TX 77803

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED BY VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH AT LEAST A QUORUM OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEMBERS PARTICIPATING IN PERSON AT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 551.127 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

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The Brazos County Administration Building, 200 S. Texas Avenue, Suite 106, Bryan, TX 77803 is wheelchair accessible. Handicap parking spaces are available. Any request for sign interpretive services must be made two working days before the meeting. To make arrangements, please call (979) 361-4102.

BRAZOS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT

24th DAY OF October, 2013
10:30 (AM)/PM, Workshop

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KAREN McQueen
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Ashlie Peters-Bruan
Kim Green
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WALTER DAUGHERITY
Rhita Koches
JOEY QUIMBY
WAYNE DICKY
Kevin Stuart
Ginger Mikeska
Ann Walton
Cyndy Wiley
DOROTHY SAKA
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Nicole Gallucci

Karen Hall

PAUL VIENS

Cathie Viens

MIKE STREET

Katie Conner

ERIC CALDWELL

SUSAN LUCAS

Jeff Pungert

Katie Mock

Linda Stetz

Nicole Marucci

Charles Coats

Kyle Hawthorne

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Walt Wendler

Hyle McClenagan

Debra Washburn

Barbara Smith

Allen JASSANO

Mike Southland

Mark Coppock

Carolyn Truss

Michelle Mahfouz

Steve Weaver

Bill Bingham

Mark Anderson

Donald Lampo

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The Eagle

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BRAZOS COUNTY
COMMISSIONER'S COURT

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MELISSA BOUTS

Aubrey Leggett

Cheryl Coffman

Organization

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Comm. Court

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Walter C. Daugherty is a computer consultant and also Senior Lecturer Emeritus in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering at Texas A&M University. He graduated from Oklahoma Christian University with a degree in mathematics, and then earned master's and doctor's degrees from Harvard University, which he attended on a Prize Fellowship from the National Science Foundation.

As a computer expert he has consulted for major national and international firms, and for government agencies, including classified work. He helped develop the national computer keyboard standard and invented integrated user training within computer applications as well as various electronic computer interfaces.

As a computer science and engineering teacher and researcher, he has published 26 research articles from over \$2.8 million in funded research projects, plus conference papers and other publications. He taught many areas of computer science and engineering for 37 years (32 years at Texas A&M University), including artificial intelligence, quantum computing, programming and software design, and cyberethics.

At Harvard he received the Bowdoin Prize and medal for writing, and in 2015 was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Oklahoma Christian University. He is a life member of the Association for Computing Machinery and American MENSA.

Improving Our Elections

Dr. Walter C. Daugherty

Brazos County Commissioners Court

October 24, 2023

Elections Are Our Bedrock

Without

- 1) honest elections
- 2) which our citizens BELIEVE are honest,
we don't have a country.

Voter Turnout (% of Registered Voters)

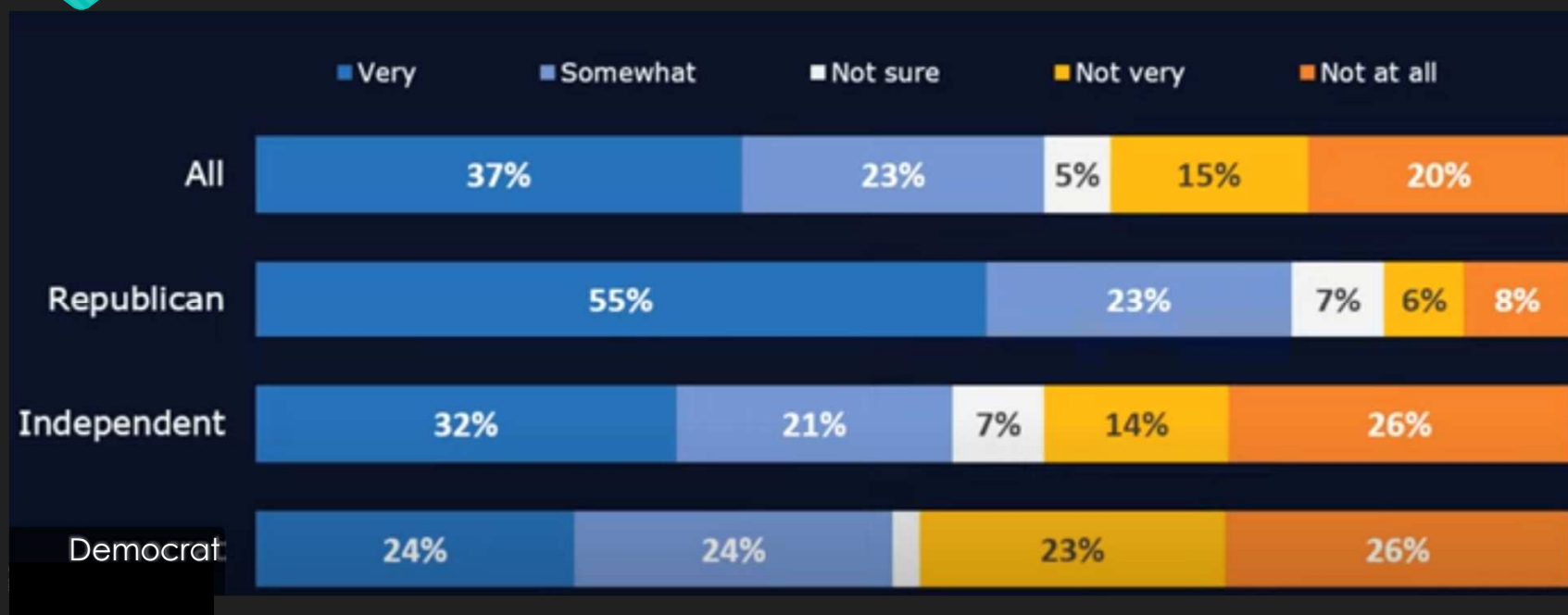
Biden 81.2 million

Trump 74.2 million

Other 4.3 million

TOTAL 159.7 million / 168.33 million = 95% turnout

How likely is it that cheating affected the outcomes of some races in last year's mid-term elections?



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1 (a). After the 3-precinct audit count, choose another 3 or more precincts at random and hand-count them.

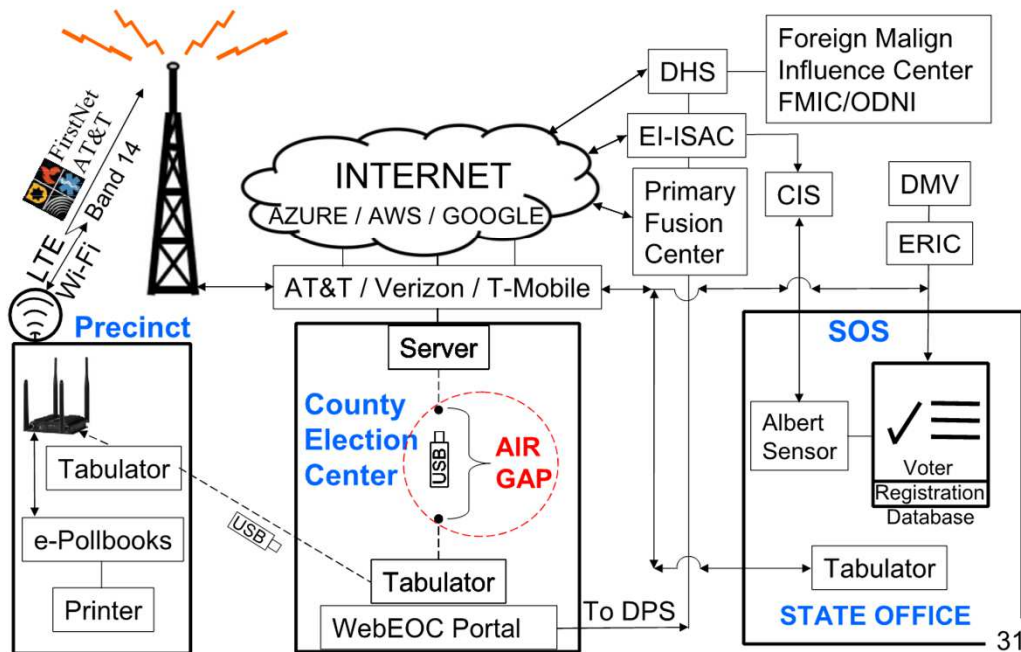
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1 (b). Reconcile the Official Canvass (the totals) with the Official Cast Vote Record Report (the list of how each ballot voted).

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2(a). Remove the internet routers from the polling places.

2(b). Remove the Albert Sensor.

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Fewer Computers Will Improve Our Elections

3(a). Paper poll books

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Following The Laws Better Will Improve Our Elections

4(a). Blank ballots “shall be numbered consecutively beginning with the number 1.”
(Election Code 52.062)

Following The Laws Better Will Improve Our Elections

4(b). “A voting system may not be used in an election unless the system...complies with the voting system standards adopted by the Election Assistance Commission....”

(Election Code 122.001 (a))

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What Else Can We Do About It To Improve Our Elections?

5. Maintain voter roll properly. Harris County had:
- 1,100 [known] illegal voters
 - 3,600 ballots mailed out but not reported to state
 - 9,000 voters not on state voter roll
 - 64,153 deceased registered voters (on Social Security death list)
 - 384,000 voters with NCOA address discrepancies

What Else Can We Do About It To Improve Our Elections?

6. Return to precinct voting.



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<https://texasgop.org/return-to-excellence/>

Texas GOP Resolution Supporting a “Return to Excellence” in Voting and Elections

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WHEREAS, the Republican National Committee (RNC) adopted a “Resolution Urging a ‘Return to Excellence’ in Voting and Elections” during the RNC Summer 2023 Meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Texas declares our opposition to voting manipulation schemes and seeks to return to the functional and historic balloting and polling experience that Texans understand, appreciate, and accept; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the integrity of our voting and election administration is critical and foundational to maintaining a civil and decent society decentralized from a federal government, as the Founders intended; and

WHEREAS, Texans expect transparent, accurate, and timely determinations pertaining to elections and the administration of elections; and

WHEREAS, elections have been under assault from those on the Left as they attempt to implement schemes and intentionally inject chaotic administrative decisions that have drastically changed how elections are conducted in our most populous counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, election officials are obliged to ensure equal polling place access and should not eliminate polling places in order to move to countywide voting, which has reduced the number of polling places in more conservative areas; and

WHEREAS, Democrats are attempting to pass non-citizen voting, ranked choice voting, and increased mail-in balloting in Texas, which the Republican Party of Texas has previously resolved to oppose in order to ensure that only United States citizens decide our elections; and

WHEREAS, the grassroots activists of the Republican Party of Texas have discovered and made it abundantly clear that there are recognized problems with electronic voting procedures and that our instituted systems and election processes have been intentionally complicated; and

WHEREAS, credible election experts agree that the most resilient voting systems are those that use paper ballots, either marked by hand or with an assistive device, and allow voters to verify their votes before any means of tabulation; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas opposes any means of voting that do not have proper safeguards in place or that are exclusively electronic, and calls on

every county in the state to use ballot procedures that are fully auditable with hand-marked, voter-verifiable paper ballots to ensure that every vote is memorialized by a paper record; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls on the Secretary of State to implement anti-counterfeit ballot printing, tracing, and verification procedures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas supports the rights of counties that are willing and able to competently and efficiently implement voting procedures that do not require the use of machines and also supports those that implement hand counting procedures that are fully auditable to do so; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls on the Texas Legislature to pass laws that allow for full and transparent hand-counting procedures that are planned, timely, and fully observable by the public and the registered parties for precinct-level audits and recounts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls on all Republican officeholders to defend the historic practice of geographically localized precinct polling places; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas stands firmly behind voter identification laws and calls on the Texas Legislature to keep and pass laws to ensure that the identity of every voter is verified, regardless of the method by which the citizen votes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas opposes all efforts to unreasonably expand time periods for early or mail-in voting that make ballot counting procedures intentionally unmanageable or incapable of being completed expeditiously on election day; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls for the elimination of funding by non-governmental organizations, whether directly or indirectly, for all activities related to our elections; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls for the creation and maintenance of precinct polling places so that voting occurs in each legal precinct or geographic unit in order to provide impartial access for all voters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas calls for a necessary “return to excellence” – a return to the simple and proven methods of precinct voting with auditable voting procedures using paper ballots, in fair, reasonable, and limited time periods, using proper voter identification to strengthen voter confidence and ensure that election procedures can be a fair and open process for all to participate.