

PUBLIC NOTICE

From the Office of Kenneth Schulte, Lincoln County Clerk and Election Authority

In accordance with Chapter 115 of the laws of Missouri, notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, February 13, 2024, beginning at 8:30 am in the second-floor courtroom of the Lincoln County Courthouse located at 201 Main Street in Troy, the Lincoln County Clerk's Office will prepare the ballot marking devices and the vote tabulating equipment to be used for absentee ballots cast in the county clerk's office for the April 2, 2024, Municipal General Election. The test will be open to observation by representatives of the political parties, candidates, the news media, and the general public. The test will be conducted by the Bipartisan Election Equipment Certification Team who will verify that the ballot marking devices are properly set to mark ballots per voter commands and by processing a pre-audited group of ballots through each precinct tabulator that absentee ballots will be cast upon at the election. If any error is detected the cause shall be ascertained and corrected. An errorless count shall be made before the equipment is approved for use in the election.

The Bipartisan Election Equipment Certification Team will convene on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, beginning at 8:30 am in the second-floor courtroom of the Lincoln County Courthouse to conduct the Public Logic and Accuracy Test of the ballot marking devices, the vote tabulating equipment, and the election reporting software to be used at the April 2, 2024, Municipal General Election. The test will be open to observation by representatives of the political parties, candidates, the news media, and the general public. The test will be conducted by the Bipartisan Election Equipment Certification Team who will verify that the ballot marking devices are properly set to mark ballots per voter commands by processing a pre-audited group of ballots through each precinct tabulator and by verifying that results are properly reported by the election reporting software that will be used at the election. Testing will continue Wednesday, March 20th if necessary. If any error is detected, the cause shall be ascertained and corrected. An errorless count shall be made before the equipment is approved for use in the election.

The Bipartisan Election Equipment Certification Team will convene on Thursday, April 4, 2024, at 8:30 am in the second-floor courtroom of the Lincoln County Courthouse to process the same group of ballots through all the tabulating equipment that votes were cast upon in the April 2, 2024, Municipal General Election. Testing will continue Friday, April 5th if necessary. If any error is detected, the cause shall be ascertained and documented for review by the Election Verification Team. The test will be open to observation by representatives of the political parties, candidates, the news media, and the general public.

The Election Verification Team will convene on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 10:00 am in the counting room on the 3rd floor of the Lincoln County Courthouse. A hand recount of ballots and a review of the reports and documentation from the April 2, 2024, Municipal General Election will be conducted to ensure accuracy and compliance with the laws of the State of Missouri prior to the Election Verification Team certifying the official election returns. The election verification process will be open to observation by representatives of the political parties, candidates, the news media, and the general public.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Lincoln County Clerk's Voter Registration Office at (636) 462-8090 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Posted February 6, 2024.