

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
 September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
 Precinct/Ward Rowan
 Arrival Time 6:30 A.M.
 Voter Roll Count 2,800
 Votes (when present) _____

9 Poll Managers
 + 1 after 1:00

STARTING THE DAY		YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	4 of 7 machines	X	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	7 5 posted by 7:20 a.m.	X	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?		X	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?		X	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters?	94	X	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	From 6/4 election	X	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?		X	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?		X	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?		X	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?		X	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?		X	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?		X	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?			X
DURING VOTING HOURS		YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	Tent on private property across from school	X	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?			X
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification?	111 11		
4) Voter Assistance:			
How many voters were assisted?	111 111		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers?	111 11		
Was the voter:			
Blind? <u>1</u> Illiterate? <u>1</u> Physically disabled? 111 111			
Or none of the three? <u>11</u>			
Who provided assistance:			
Poll Manager? <u>1</u> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? 111 111			
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines?	111 111 111		
6) How many ballots were challenged?	<u>111</u>		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____ Accepted? _____			
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many?			
Why? <u>Names not on Master Voter Roll</u>			
8) How many voters voted curbside?	111 111 111 111 111 111 111 111		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?		X	

UPON CLOSING:		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		X	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?			X
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES:		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?			X
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?			X
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			X
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		X	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		X	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>139</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		X	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		X	
5) How many were rejected? <u>14</u>			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		X	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		X	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		X	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		X	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?		X	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		X	
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? <u>4</u>			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		X	
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?			
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
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11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

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Opening the Precinct

- Arrived at 6:30 a.m.
- 4 machines were ready to vote at 7:00 a.m.
- 2 zero tapes posted at 7 a.m.
- Sample ballot posted was from the 6/4 election
 - Shows all candidates
 - Zero tapes, however, show only Dupree, O'Hara and Ware
- By 7:15 a.m., all 7 machines were ready to vote
- Voters using cellphones in line
- Someone with a tally sheet, I believe a Dupree pollwatcher, is sitting approx. feet from voting machines

Throughout the Day

- Vote Count (Registration Books)
 - 9:00 201
 - 11:00 456
 - 1:00 681
 - 3:00 862
 - 5:00 1181
- Voter confronted poll manager regarding the length of the line, and why J-M voters were not allowed to go to a separate line.
 - Same voter, using phone, took pictures of the line and tables
- Lines – approximately 22-25 minutes from arrival to vote
- 9:15 met DoJ observers
- "A-M" pollbook missing 1st 2 pages
- Husband/wife voting together
- Affidavit Table – becoming crowded and cluttered.
 - Not sure if the ballots are going immediately into the ballot box
 - Do not believe they are advising voters as to why they are having to vote by affidavit
 - Do not believe they are providing any voter with information as to how they can determine the status of their vote
- 10:30 – opened up new line for "J-M", but they are saying "F-M"
- Dupree poll watchers, city attorney, and election officials congregating inside side door right beside affidavit table, which is already crowded – did not observe them talking to voters, but it is creating a jam over there
- Curbside voting – not following statutory procedure
 - Taking stack of blank envelopes, several blank ballots out to cars for voting, then coming back in and completing the envelopes.
 - Did not observe their use of a poll book, and they are using a separate Registration Book for curbside voters
- 11:25 – voting smoother since opening new line
- Blind voter presented for voting – visually impaired voting accommodation was not used. Voter relied on assistance from person she brought with her to cast her vote.
- DoJ observers interviewing voters re: (1) if they were told why they had to vote by affidavit, (2) if the poll manager advised them as to how they could find out if their vote was counted.

- Voters are loitering after they vote.
- Closing registration book totals:
 - Affidavit: 48
 - Curbside: 49
 - A-I: 667
 - J-M: 236
 - N-Z: 433
 - Absentees: 139 (2 stacks – 78, 61)
- Machine Tapes:

Dupree	Ware	O’Hara
67	14	1
49	7	
148	14	
278	25	
274	23	
280	15	1
117	14	

Closing

- The polls closed at 7 p.m. with no lines. Five of the nine poll managers began attempting to upload the memory cards and close the voting machines. This was a slow process, as they did not possess the knowledge of how to do this without extensive reference to the closing procedures in the Poll Managers’ Guide, and by calling City Hall for assistance. Uploading the memory cards, printing and posting the vote totals and closing and sealing the voting machines took over an hour. During this time, no persons approached any machine that was not being worked on by the poll managers. Only late in the process did they divide duties among the five managers and speed up completion.
- At some point during this process, two poll managers broke off from closing the machines and began organizing the voted paper ballots – curbside votes and affidavit ballots, with envelopes.
- While five poll managers were working on the voting machines, four managers took the absentee ballots from the ballot box and separated them into two stacks. These stacks were counted in the presence of the poll watchers, DoJ observers and myself.
- Once they were finished with their count, it appeared that they did not know what to do with the ballots next. So, for approximately 45 minutes or so, they stacked and restacked the ballots on the table. Finally, Ware poll watcher Cory Wilson offered them his copy of the closing procedures for processing absentee ballots from the poll manager training guide. They accepted this document and two of the four read over the checklist. No party objected to their using Mr. Wilson’s copy of this document. I contacted MSOS, and was advised that it would be acceptable for me to take the closing procedures document from the Poll Managers’ Guide, which came with the poll managers’ materials, and give that to them for use. I did so, and they used this material.
- Processing the absentee ballots began in earnest at approximately 8:15. The managers used the closing checklist from the Poll Managers’ Guide to begin processing the 139 absentee ballots. The voter’s name was called aloud, signatures were examined, it was confirmed that they did not vote in person, the application and envelope were examined for compliance with statutory

procedure, and the managers entertained challenges from the parties' poll watchers. If there was no challenge, and if the application and envelope appeared to be completed properly, the envelope was placed to the side and the voter's name was placed in the Registration Book.

- There were numerous challenges throughout this process. At each challenge, the managers considered each challenge individually and reached a consensus as to the disposition of the challenge. The volume of ballots, and the number of challenges, caused the process to be further slowed. However, the statutory procedure for considering and acting on challenges was complied with. If the challenge was well taken, Head Manager Johnson marked "rejected" on the envelope and wrote a brief explanation. Often, debate over the challenge was lengthy.
- Review and processing the absentee ballots concluded at approximately 11:30 p.m. At this time, the Managers began packing for the return to City Hall. It was at about this time that EC Easton and Deputy City Clerk Ermas arrived from City Hall.
- Election officials placed all absentee and affidavit ballots in the ballot box and secured the box with a padlock. I observed a seal lying on the box, but did not observe the seal actually being affixed.
- The ballot box was placed in the R&R Manager's vehicle by a Deputy City Clerk, Ermas, and taken to City Hall. The R&R Manager's vehicle was followed to City Hall by EC Easton and me.

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Sigler Center
Precinct/Ward Blair 4th Precinct
Arrival Time 6:20am - 9:15pm
Voter Roll Count 2035
Votes (when present) 1006

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>100 38</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>70</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Voter Assistance:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How many voters were assisted? <u>5</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>5</u>		
Was the voter: Blind? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Illiterate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physically disabled? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Or none of the three? _____		
Who provided assistance: Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (5)		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>13</u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>0</u> Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____ Accepted? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>20</u> Why? <u>Wrong polling place (17); Not registered (3)</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>5</u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>16</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	✓	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	✓	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		2
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		✓

UPON CLOSING:	YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?	✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?	✓	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES	YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?	✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?	✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?	✓	
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>40</u>		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	✓	
5) How many were rejected? <u>6</u>	✓	
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	✓	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	✓	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?	✓	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?	✓	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?	✓	
PAPER BALLOTS	YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?		
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?		
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?		
5) Were all ballots accounted for?		
CHALLENGED BALLOTS		
1) How many ballots were challenged? <u>15</u>		
2) How many challenges were rejected? <u>6</u>		
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?	✓	
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?	✓	
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS		
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>38</u>	✓	
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	

Place a list of challenged ballots in with accepted

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	✓	
5) How many were rejected? <u>6</u>		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	✓	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	✓	
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		✓
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?	✓	
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?	✓	
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

Secretary of State's Office
 Poll Watching Report
 City of Hattiesburg Election 2013

Precinct Information Blair Precinct
Sigler Center.

ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION 741	70
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party 741	5
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	0
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker 741 777 711	0
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)	13
CURBSIDE VOTING 741	4
AFFIDAVIT 741 741 741	16
CHALLENGES- frivolous 222 222	0
CHALLENGES- challenged 15	15
CHALLENGES- rejected	0
ABSENTEE- accepted # (voter came in to vote instead)	32
ABSENTEE- rejected	6
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES N/A	N/A
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING 1000	1000
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK 2535	2535

* 3 affidavit votes were in the ballot ~~box~~ box prior to the election starting. They were ~~not~~ ^{not} on the list of affidavits from the day. 2 of those people were on the absentee list but ~~not~~ ^{there} ~~there~~ was no absentee ballots in the box — just the affidavits. I was not accounted for at all.

The city clerk did not inform the managers that there were 3 affidavit ballots in the ballot box prior to the election starting at 7am.

The count of affidavits is now 19 instead of 16.

[REDACTED]

From:
Sent:
To:
Subject:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
RE: Hattiesburg Voting Observation, Sigler Center - Sept 24, 2013

The following are the notes that I made during the day; not sure if you want them:

Sigler Center - Hattiesburg Voting Observation September 24, 2013 notes:

1. Legally blind man was with his wife. The wife first cast her vote; but when she was helping her husband - she did not ask him anything, just cast the vote herself. The Bailiff and poll manager called the election commissioner to ask what to do in those situations.

A 2nd legally blind voter voted. But came and stated that her sister would be helping her. The poll manager told her that she would need to help, NOT cast the vote for her.

2. 7:50am - the crowds began to slow down a bit and the poll watchers started to get numbers, but they were slightly intimidating to the two voters there. The voters asked why the poll watchers were checking names.

8:23am - poll watchers are still crowding the table, even when voters are present trying to get the names of everyone coming in. They are NOT addressing the voters, but are crowding the table – stand right over the poll workers as they ask voters to state their name.

11am - pretty busy and hard to hear names called out; poll watchers are crowding the table as voters are stating their names. Some voters seemed a little turned off by all of the people crowded around as they state their name and waited to be told that they could sign the role book.

3. 8am update: 122 voted

4. One poll watcher was extremely concerned with one of the voters who needed assistance; he kept telling the manager that the voter needed help. The Bailiff and poll manager offered instruction twice then asked the voter if he needed any other assistance. The voter then stated that he was having problems reading, the bailiff told the voter that he could have his wife (who was also present) help him if he needed it - which she did.

5. A woman took a picture of the ballot screen as she was voting - I think I'm the only one who saw that happening. She seemed to getting a picture for FB or something because she also asked her husband who was with her to take a picture of her as she voted.

6. Machine #0 had issues at 10:05am; a voter pulled the card out too quickly. Now it is not reading any other cards. Called the election commissioner to have someone come out and look at it; putting them down to 4 machine rather than 5.

One of the poll watchers asked for the ID number on the machine that was down and asked if the machine would lose the votes that were currently on the machine. He also asked what they would have to do to the machine. The poll manager said that it would not lose the votes and that they were waiting for the IT guy to come out. The IT guy came at 10:50am and said that they would need a new machine. They (bailiff, poll manager) logged the old machine serial number, and check the count of votes on the old machine. The vote count read 77. The voter card was then placed in a new machine. The Bailiff and Poll Manager logged the serial number for the new machine and checked

the vote count again to verify that it match what was shown on the old machine. The new machine read 77. The machine was up and running at 10:58am.
All three poll watcher logged the information about the machine that the poll manager and Bailiff had.

7. A voter came in early afternoon (did not get the name of the voter) to vote but they could not find his name on the books; they called the circuit clerk and still no record that he was registered to vote. The voter did not have a voter registration card either. The voter left and returned a few hours later saying that he went to the clerk's office and they figured out the issue. His name was misspelt; they looked for the misspelt name and found it. He was allowed to vote under the misspelt name.

8. Someone (#119 in A-L signing poll book -sometime mid-morning) voted under the name Marvin Allen, then when another guy, Marvin Allen,(5:00pm) came in to vote – it was already marked as voted. He said that there was another Marvin Allen in the area. One of the poll watchers asked the voter to write down his name and correct information while the manager was on the phone trying to get instruction on what do. The poll manager spoke with the circuit clerk and allow him to vote affidavit.

9. 3 of the affidavit voters did not sign the poll book. The poll watcher forgot to get them to sign, and when she ran outside and tried to catch them, they were already gone. She signed for them and told the poll manager what happened.

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg

September 24, 2013



Municipality _____
 Precinct/Ward Highland Park
 Arrival Time 6:45 am
 Voter Roll Count _____
 Votes (when present) _____

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>posted it @ 8 am 35</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6) Was a sample ballot posted? <u>said wrong one was sent - posted one after polls opened</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
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DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
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2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>134</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>21</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>6</u>		
Was the voter:		
Blind? <u>2</u> Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? <u>7</u>		
Or none of the three? _____		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? <u>6</u> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>15</u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>14</u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned-away from the polls? How many? <u>35</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Why? <u>name not on master list, wrong precinct</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>3</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>74</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted? <u>were given oral instructions</u>		✓
12) Is the ballot box locked?	✓	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		✓
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		✓

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM? <i>N/A</i>			
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass? <i>were not read aloud was printed</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? _____			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?			
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?			
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>35</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

were checked but not announced!

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? <u>4</u>		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box? <i>not sure if the envelopes were opened</i>		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

When I arrived at 6:45am, a few votes were already in line to vote. The Poll was opened promptly at 7am. At 7am, neither the absentee votes or sample ballot was posted but both were posted by 8am.

The master list book didn't arrive at the poll until 10am. By that time, several voters had been turned away or voted affidavit because their names were not in the polling book. The asst. poll manager indicated that the master list was an old master list and was not updated.

At 7am, the sample ballot wasn't posted on the wall because the poll manager said that the wrong ballot was sent. At 8am, a sample ballot was placed on the wall.

The asst. poll manager tried to call city hall many times to see if a voter was registered to vote. There were never an answer at city hall or the line was busy.

There was confusion as to whether USM students who had the exact same physical address but no box number should vote. These voters ballots were "challenged". I used that word loosely because all of these voters were allowed to vote by affidavit vote and no decision of the challenge was made. Neither was the ballots marked as "challenged". These ballots were placed in the affidavit box with the other affidavit votes. The reason for the confusion was because no one knew the answer as to whether the students could vote. It was finally communicated by our office to the election commissioner that if the voters are on the pollbook that they could vote on the voting machine.

Poll observers from Ware camp sit at the table in the middle of the poll workers. These observers all had their own polling book and were walking around with it looking over poll workers shoulders, checking names off, asking questions, etc. I didn't even realize that the 1st person was a poll observer until she was relieved by another poll observer for Ware's camp. I thought she was a poll worker. I overheard the asst. manager saying that she had asked Ware's poll observer to sit away from the table like the other observer but she didn't move. One of Ware's observer was asked to move from the table several times but he didn't. He would move back for a minute and then move right back to the table. The poll manager became very frustrated with this observer lack of cooperation and asked the bailiff to tell him to move away from the table or leave. The bailiff's response was "He's okay. He's not bothering anyone" so the bailiff never addressed the issue.

Another one of Ware's observer became very upset about the USM students not being allowed to vote on the machines that he expressed his dissatisfaction to one of the Democratic party observer that was that. Ware's observer was very upset and was making many hand motions & gestures.

Highland Park

Visitors

Paul Tate - 760
Joseph Murray - Dept Justice
Denish Barnett - Dept Justice

PM - Paula Smithka
Ballot - Mike Fitzgerald
Elec. Comm. - Joe Kennan

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
Precinct/Ward Thames School
Arrival Time 0645
Voter Roll Count 3323
Votes (when present) 2333

0645-2115; City Hall 2115-1100

	YES	NO
STARTING THE DAY:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed? <u>Seven machines</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>148</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	YES	NO
DURING VOTING HOURS:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>III III III</u> (13)		
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>III III I</u> (11)		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>III III</u> (9)		
Was the voter:		
Blind? <u>III</u> (3) Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? <u>III</u> (5)		
Or none of the three? <u>III</u> (3)		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>III III I</u> (11)		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>III III I</u> (12)		
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>0</u>		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>0</u>		
Why? <u>other than at wrong precinct</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>III III I</u> (12)		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Y	N
10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? 111 111 111 (13)		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	✓	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	✓	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		✓
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		✓

Total Machine Vote	2320	0800	326	9.81
(inc. curbside)				
Affidavit	13	1151	1227	36.92
(Curbside	12)	1315	1439	43.30
Absentee	148	1420	1609	48.42
		1700	2051	61.72

1900 2308
 C/S + 12

2320
 Aff + 13

2333
 Absin + 148

2481

70.21

	YES	NO
UPON CLOSING:		
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?	✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?	✓	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?	✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?	✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass? <i>Printed/Posted</i>		✓
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>148</u>		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	✓	
5) How many were rejected? <u>20</u>		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	✓	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	✓	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?	✓	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?	✓	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?	✓	
PAPER BALLOTS		
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?		
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?		
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?		
5) Were all ballots accounted for?		
CHALLENGED BALLOTS		
1) How many ballots were challenged? <i>All Absentees challenged</i>		
2) How many challenges were rejected? <i>All Rejected</i>		✓
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return? <i>N/A</i>		
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?	✓	
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS		
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there?		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		

33
14
20

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?	YES	NO
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg

September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
 Precinct/Ward Train Depot
 Arrival Time 6:55
 Voter Roll Count 2559
 Votes (when present) _____

84
 53
 8:00
 12:00
 726
 2,445

924
 4:55
 112
 112
 7:00
 6:45

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	X	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	X	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	X	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	X	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>171</u>	X	X
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	X	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	X	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	X	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	X	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	X	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	X	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	X	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	X	
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	X	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?		X
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>XII</u> <u>11</u> <u>lost tract</u>		
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>XII</u> <u>11</u> <u>7</u> <u>lost tract</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? _____		
Was the voter:		
Blind? _____ Illiterate? <u>III</u> Physically disabled? _____		
Or none of the three? <u>XII</u> <u>11</u> <u>lost</u>		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? <u>1</u> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>III</u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? _____		
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? _____		
Why? <u>XII</u> <u>1</u> <u>left b/c taking too long to verify poll location</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>XII</u> <u>11</u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	X	

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>30 31</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?			
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?			
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?			
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?			
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?			
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>171</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? _____			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?			
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?			
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?			
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

Books - 3 open by 1 the other after 1.
Therefore ballot box was re-opened after 1
soon as open people were voting

Saw) Ballot Box opened 1. at opening
2. Absentee list
3. Affidavit Ballot done incorrect
Ballot put in w/ envelope
Box re-opened to retrieve ballot

Affidavit Voting discouraged

O.H. Hall'sburg American newspaper reporter tried
to interview REP MGR
while REP MGR was
helping voter. I told EL he asked
~~was~~ ~~was~~ ~~to~~ ~~wait~~.
She ended interview by
saying "thanks for not helping"

Workside signatures weren't sign in
the same sign-in Book as in site.

O.H. They were signed in Book w/ Affidavit
Signatures

hooked doors - during closings

at. Two different men w/ City of Hall'sburg @ alternating times
supposedly the tech, not @ closings only work-words
~~and~~ and the REP MGR closed out the TOX's,

Train Depot

1. No. The workers were in two's and they held up the envelope while the observers went around to each table at random double-checking the name, signature and application.
2. 171
3. Yes.
4. Yes.
5. 3 at 10:00
6. Yes
7. Yes. Finally the rest of the poll workers checked the poll books.
8. None had by 10:00
9. Yes. As the finished each stack they were separated.
10. Yes.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1)	Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2)	How many absentee ballots were there?		
3)	Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4)	Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5)	How many were rejected?		
6)	If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7)	Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8)	If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9)	Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		
10)	Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?		
11)	Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality _____
Precinct/Ward Wesley Manor
Arrival Time 6:48 AM
Voter Roll Count _____
Votes (when present) 965

STARTING THE DAY:		YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?		✓	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?		✓	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?		✓	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?		✓	✓
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? _____		8:06am	✓
6) Was a sample ballot posted?			✓
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?		✓	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?		✓	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?		✓	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?			✓
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?			
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?		✓	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?		✓	
DURING VOTING HOURS:		YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?		✓	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?		✓	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>20</u>		✓	
4) Voter Assistance:			
How many voters were assisted? <u>9</u>		✓	
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>9</u>		✓	
Was the voter:			
Blind? <u>2</u> Illiterate? <u>1</u> ? Physically disabled? _____		✓	
Or none of the three? _____			
Who provided assistance:			
Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? <u>5</u> Third Party? <u>4</u>		✓	
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>12</u>		✓	
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>0</u>			✓
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____			
Accepted? _____			
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>32</u>		✓	
Why? <u>26 for wrong precinct, 4 for being city, 2 for not being</u>		✓	
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>3 (voter affidavit)</u> registered			
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?			✓

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>37</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

UPON CLOSING:		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		—	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			✓
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? _____			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?			
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?			
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			✓
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>105</u>		✓	
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			✓

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? <u>82</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

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With the machine guy.

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 359
 369
 726

Precinct Information _____

ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION	
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party	
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker	
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)	
CURBSIDE VOTING	
AFFIDAVIT	
CHALLENGES- frivolous	
CHALLENGES- challenged	
CHALLENGES- rejected	
ABSENTEE- accepted	
ABSENTEE- rejected	
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES	
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING	
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK	

forward survey

WVIR - Election - HATTIESBURG
new registration
total registration - 11
Not in City - |||

1067 11

40 total vote
affidavit
absentee

465
500 965

31
65

6 unsigned/witnessed
3 curbs

39 in register
books
40 Aff total

~~58~~ a
8 R

65

23 accepted 3 rejected
34 5 rejected

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
Precinct/Ward USO 305th E. 6th Street
Arrival Time 6:40 am
Voter Roll Count 4,888
Votes (when present) 976

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>98-3-10 = 85</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>Many</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>many</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>Several</u>		
Was the voter:		
Blind? <u>2</u> Illiterate? <u>2</u> Physically disabled? <u>4</u>		
Or none of the three? <u>Several</u>		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>Relatives</u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? _____		
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>2</u>		
Why? <u>He was in wrong precinct</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>7</u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>37</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?		✓
12) Is the ballot box locked?	✓	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		✓
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? <u>Quickly removed pin or reversed T-shirt</u>	✓	✓
<u>6</u>		

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		✓	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			✓
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>98 - 3 = 95 - 10 = 85</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		✓	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? <u>3 + 10</u>			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			✓
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		✓	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		✓	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			✓
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		✓	
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected? -		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

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Precinct Information USO
305 E 6th Street

ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION	Many
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party	Several
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	0
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker	Several
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)	Several
CURBSIDE VOTING	7
AFFIDAVIT	37
CHALLENGES- frivolous	
CHALLENGES- challenged	
CHALLENGES- rejected	
ABSENTEE- accepted	85
ABSENTEE- rejected	13
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING	939 machine, 37 affidavit, 98-13=85 Absentee
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK	1,888

USO 6th Street-Burger Center

NOTABLE - There were two notable issues:

1. The list of Absentee voters was absent from the precinct until approximately 4pm. And then it was on a clipboard and not posted.
2. Post-closing handling of Absentee ballots – The poll workers were apparently unaware of: "3. Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?" They seemed about to skip this step when the Ware campaign Observer spoke up. Then it was done, took time, and resulted in several discussions. The list of 98 was reduced: there were only 95 physical ballots; 4 of those were not on the voter roll, and 6 of those had issues with lack of proper signature, notary or witness, resulting in 85.

MINOR

1. The sample ballot on display on the wall was from the June 4 election.
2. There was a Ware supporter who drove a pickup truck holding many Ware signs into the parking lot and well within the 150' limit. I observed him driving further away but then challenging the bailiff about exactly where the 150' line should be. The Ware poll observer went outside and got him to move back and calm down.

OTHER

1. The water was turned off by workers at mid-day. The rest rooms were then closed. This seemed to have little effect on voting. But, after that time, poll workers and observers had to leave the building to use the rest room.

Thank you for the opportunity.

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
Precinct/Ward Camp School
Arrival Time 6:44
Voter Roll Count ~~1000~~ 1135 ~~1000~~
Votes (when present) 1088

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	X	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	X	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	X	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	X	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>78</u>	X	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	X	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	X	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	X	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	X	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?		
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?		
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	X	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	X	
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	X	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	X	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>73</u>		
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>111</u> <u>24</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>1</u>		
Was the voter:		
Blind? <u>111</u> Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? <u>11</u>		
Or none of the three? <u>1</u>		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>1</u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>21</u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? _____		
Why? _____		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>2</u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?		X

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>210</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	X	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	X	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		X
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		X
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? <u>11</u>		

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		X	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?			
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		X	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		X	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			X
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		X	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		X	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>78</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		X	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		X	
5) How many were rejected? <u>8 took a vote & 1 was accepted</u>			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		X	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		X	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		X	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			X
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			X
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?			
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			

N/A

They were posted

to added no envelope

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

Precinct Information Camp School
Hattiesburg

Secretary of State's Office
Poll Watching Report
City of Hattiesburg Election 2013

ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION	11
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party	11
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	1
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker	1
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)	1
CURBSIDE VOTING	11
AFFIDAVIT	11
CHALLENGES- frivolous	0
CHALLENGES- challenged	0
CHALLENGES- rejected	0
ABSENTEE- accepted	0
ABSENTEE- rejected	0
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING	1985
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK	1985

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg

September 24, 2013



Municipality HATTIESBURG
 Precinct/Ward RAMPON PARK
 Arrival Time 6:45 AM
 Voter Roll Count _____ (1755)
 Votes (when present) 1080

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	X	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	X	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	X	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	X	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>54</u>	X	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	X	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	X	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	X	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	X	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	X	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	X	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	X	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	X	
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	X	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	X	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u> (About 5000)</u>		
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u> </u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u> </u>		
Was the voter: Blind? _____ Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? <u>1</u> Or none of the three? <u> </u>		
Who provided assistance: Poll Manager? <u> </u> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u> </u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u> </u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>0</u> Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____ Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u> </u> Why? <u>WARRANT POLICE - CITY ONLY POLLING HERE DIFFERENT PCT.</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u> </u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?		X

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>19</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? <u>1</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

1080 - signed
54 - Absentee

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER		YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>None only</i>
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>54</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? <u>1</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Were all ballots accounted for?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
CHALLENGED BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots		YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

Machine counts

110

277

318

195

182

1082

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality _____
Precinct/Ward Timberton Y MCA
Arrival Time 6:40
Voter Roll Count Mass list
Votes (when present) 942

STARTING THE DAY:		YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>62</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
DURING VOTING HOURS:		YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>NUMEROUS</u>			
4) Voter Assistance:			
How many voters were assisted? <u>66</u>			
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>41</u>			
Was the voter:			
Blind? _____ Illiterate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physically disabled? _____			
Or none of the three? <u>intimidated by new machine. Cards were not reading</u>			
Who provided assistance:			
Poll Manager? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? <u>Poll Workers</u>			
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>Several</u>			
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>0</u>			
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____			
Accepted? _____			
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>12</u>			
Why? <u>Wrong Precinct - sent to correct voting place</u>			
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>2</u> only poll manager ^{went} out			
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process? <u>1 incident - quickly resolved.</u>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>13</u>		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		N/A	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?			✓
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters? <i>had to Call Tech for (1) machine 9:45 PM</i>			✓
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			✓
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?			✓
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			N/A
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? _____			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?			
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?			
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			✓
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			✓
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			✓
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____			
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
<i>AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS - these ballots stayed on table unsecured.</i>			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?			✓
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			✓
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>62</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		✓	

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? <u>4</u>		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER <u>N/A</u>	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

From:
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Hattiesburg Municipal Election/Observer Report

Timberton/Pine belt family YMCA

Additional observations:

After the polls closed at 7:00 p.m. the Poll Manager spent much of his time trying to get the tapes to print from the voting machines, one machine did not function properly and a technician was finally called around 9:00 p.m. he arrived shortly thereafter and was able to get it to print the results.

The absentee and affidavit votes were removed from the ballot box and placed on a table where they remained unsecured for most of the night.

Poll workers were very confused and seemed to have very little knowledge on the closing process ,i.e. how to handle absentee ballots, and other functions after poll closing.

There was a lot of traffic, poll watchers from both parties were in and out during the closing process.

After 10:00 p.m. each affidavit vote was removed from the envelope and initialed with a red pen, by one of the poll workers, then placed back in the envelope and eventually locked in the ballot box. The number of all tallied votes(from voter roll, absentee, affidavit and rejected votes) on poll managers report did not balance, he signed it with an inconsistency in the numbers.

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
Precinct/Ward Dixie Pine Central
Arrival Time 6:30 am
Voter Roll Count 1454
Votes (when present) 713

STARTING THE DAY:		YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>63</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
DURING VOTING HOURS:		YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>23</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4) Voter Assistance:			
How many voters were assisted? <u>56</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>40</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Was the voter:			
Blind? _____ Illiterate? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Physically disabled? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Or none of the three? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Who provided assistance:			
Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? _____			
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? _____			
6) How many ballots were challenged? <u>1</u>			
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____			
Accepted? _____			
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>6</u>			
Why? <u>wrong precinct, not on roll, outside city limits</u>			
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>4</u>			
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>9</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

UPON CLOSING		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?			
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?			✓
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?			
5) How many were rejected? _____			
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?			
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?			
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?			
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?			
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?			
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?			
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?			
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?			
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?			
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?			
5) Were all ballots accounted for?			
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? <u>1</u>			
2) How many challenges were rejected? <u>0</u>			
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?			✓
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?			✓
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?			
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?			
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>63</u>			
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?			

**Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013**



Municipality _____
 Precinct/Ward Space Gregory Christina
 Arrival Time 6:55
 Voter Roll Count 1227
 Votes (when present) _____

Christina School

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>51</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DURING VOTING HOURS:	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u> </u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u> </u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u> </u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Was the voter:		
Blind? _____ Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? _____		
Or none of the three? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poll Watcher? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Third Party? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u> </u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u> </u>		
Why? <u>wrong Precinct</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>1</u>		
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? 11 1 _____		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	✓	✓
12) Is the ballot box locked?	✓	✓
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		✓
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		✓

UPON CLOSING:		YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES		YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) How many were rejected? _____		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PAPER BALLOTS		YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Were all ballots accounted for?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CHALLENGED BALLOTS			
1) How many ballots were challenged? <u>6</u>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) How many challenges were rejected? <u>1</u>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS			
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots			
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>51</u>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

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Precinct Information 50
Grace Christian
School

	ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION		111 6
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party		5
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher		0
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker		16
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)		
CURBSIDE VOTING		1
AFFIDAVIT		6
CHALLENGES- frivolous		
CHALLENGES- challenged		5
CHALLENGES- rejected		1
ABSENTEE- accepted		44
ABSENTEE- rejected		1
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES		0
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING on machines		594
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK		1,227

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg USM Golf Course Moore Lodge
Precinct / Ward _____
Arrival Time 6:40 AM
Voter Roll Count 645
Votes (when present) 395

DELBERT HOSEMANN
Secretary of State

* Ballot Box *
* no seal.
* padlocked
* witnessed poll watch panel
* absentee list
* but no lock & re-lock

3 machines -
all functioning
properly.
No ADA/VIBS kit
machine set-up
for handicapped voters.

STARTING THE DAY		YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<u>6:51 AM, 6:44 AM, 6:37 AM</u>	✓	
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?		✓	
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?		✓	
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?		✓	
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many?	<u>34 (posted late)</u>	✓	
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<u>(posted late)</u>	✓	
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?		✓	
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?		✓	
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<u>(posted late)</u>	✓	
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?			✓
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<u>(posted late)</u>	✓	
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?		✓	
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<u>(No ADA machine with VIBS kit noted)</u>		✓
DURING VOTING HOURS:		YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<u>Bailiff handled well - few instances of campaign literature within 150'</u>	✓	
2) Was an area 30' in every direction of the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?		✓	
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification?	<u> 31</u>	✓	
4) Voter Assistance:		✓	
How many voters were assisted?	<u> 11</u>		
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers?	<u> 5</u>		
Was the voter:			
Blind?	<u> </u>		
Illiterate?	<u>_____</u>		
Physically disabled?	<u> 1</u>		
Or none of the three?	<u> </u>		
Who provided assistance:			
Poll Manager?	<u> </u>		
Poll Observer?	<u>_____</u>		
Third Party?	<u> 11</u>		
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines?	<u> </u>		
6) How many ballots were challenged?	<u>3</u>	✓	
Frivolous?	<u>_____</u>		
Rejected?	<u>1</u>		
Accepted?	<u>1</u>		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many?	<u>12</u>	✓	
Why?	<u>Not on voter roll / Wrong precinct / Confusion between rooms & precincts.</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside?	<u>0 (none witnessed)</u>		✓

* No master voter list - left out of supply bag.
having trouble verifying where voters would be in
called City Hall, conduct a Co. M & MSOS.

9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process? <i>1 poll watcher for 1 hr remained all day</i>			✓
10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <i>11, first 4 voters did not sign back (# 1 signed)</i>	✓		
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted? <i>Given a number to call toward end of week</i>	✓		
12) Is the ballot box locked? <i>Padlock, no seal. * seals were brought mid-afternoon*</i>	✓		
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?			✓
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?			✓
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? <i>1 - Brought sign sign in & was removed by bailiff</i>			✓
<i>1 - wore Dupree T-shirt & was asked to go to restroom & turn it inside out before voting by bailiff.</i>			

* Poll worker opened Ballot Box and pulled absentee list out to post, then closed it and re-locked it with padlock key, no seal noted. Key was attached to Ballot Box.
Voter Assistance

* A lady brought in a voter who was clearly handicapped and told the poll workers she needed to assist him (the voter never spoke), she brought him over to the machine and voted for him. I never saw him communicate with her about who he wanted to vote for or ask any questions. She made all selections and sent his ballot for him. Poll worker did not notice.

* Husband & wife voted together and assisted each other in a few instances.

* a wife assisted a blind voter after asking the poll worker if she could help him.

* Poll worker assisted a handicapped voter after she requested his help.

* Poll worker assisted an elderly woman who had trouble seeing the screen. she asked for his help.

* limited instruction.

Affidavits

* 4 voters who voted by affidavit did not sign affidavit leg because poll workers did not have it - it was delivered later by the election commissioner. should be a total of 11 who voted by affidavit.

- * 213 voted at 11:15 AM.
- * Poll Workers threw spoiled affidavit ballot envelopes in trash & recovered them later for their records.
- * Master Voter roll & affidavit Book was delivered at 10:30 AM by Election Commissioner.
- * Andy brought "Vote for Dave" sign into precinct and was immediately removed by Bailiff.
- * Voter accidentally signed name in header of receipt book instead of next to a number so the voter count is off by 1 compared to TSX ballots cast notation on machine.
- * Overheard poll managers talking about missing the proper seal for Ballot Box, Election Commissioner delivered seals mid-afternoon. Seal was not placed on ballot box until closing procedures concluded. Ballot Box remained pad-locked all day with key attached. I did not witness any tampering or extra ballots placed in.
- * Vehicles were parking within 150 ft of precinct with signage / bumper stickers; Bailiff removal the stickers after explaining the 150 ft rule to voters.
- * Confusion by voters who were not listed in receipt book. Jackson Rd. zoning, some voters on roll - some are not across the st. Confusion over city precincts vs. County precincts.
- * Voter came in with a "Vote for Dupree" T-shirt on and was asked by Bailiff to go to restroom and turn it inside out before voting. Voter complied.

* Poll Worker was a registered voter in County, not city. Brought to my attention by another poll worker - called office. Polls official made note. Poll Workers.

UPON CLOSING	YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?	✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line?	✓	
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES	YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?	✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?	✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?	✓	
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>34</u>		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	✓	
5) How many were rejected? <u>5</u>		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?	✓	
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	✓	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected? <u>5</u>	✓	
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted? <u>28</u>	✓	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying? <u>(left precinct sealed)</u>	✓	
PAPER BALLOTS	YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?	✓	
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		✓
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?	✓	
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?	✓	
5) Were all ballots accounted for?	✓	
CHALLENGED BALLOTS		
1) How many ballots were challenged? <u>3</u>	✓	
2) How many challenges were rejected? <u>2 initially but ended up accepting 1, rejecting 1 & 1 remains challenged</u>	✓	
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?	✓	
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return? <u>1</u>	✓	
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?	✓	
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS		
1) Were all affidavit ballots gathered up, placed in a large envelope and placed back in the ballot box?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there?		

N/A

Claring Procedures

Alvinton

* Poll Manager stated they were trained to write up the names on receipt book (in the back) and take them back to central count for processing, nothing further should be done by poll managers at precinct. After observing them beginning to pack up, I intervened and asked them to pull out the Poll Manager's guide and review absentee balloting procedures. I explained to them that Poll Managers are responsible for accepting or rejecting ballots based off of a specific criteria set forth in our PM guide. The Poll Manager complied after reviewing the section. The process started off a little chaotic because of lack of training on Absentee procedures by Election Commissioners who were responsible for training their poll workers. I witnessed all poll managers assist with this process and follow the proper procedure. This process took a lot of time because of the lack of knowledge on procedures and referring back and forth to the Poll Manager's Guide. I gave them some guidance but remained limited in my role. The Poll Managers evaluated all ballots and made determinations while I observed the process.

Alvinton

* Poll Managers were also confused on the procedures for handling a challenged ballot. A poll watcher challenged 3 ballots due to what he thought were different signatures on the application vs. envelope. He made the ~~statement~~ statement he believed there were 2 different people who signed them. The Poll Workers wanted to set the challenge aside until they finished their absentee processing but I asked them to pull out the PM guide once more and turn to the Challenged Ballot section. I explained to them they must act on the challenge right then and they needed to make a determination whether the challenge was "frivolous" or "well-taken". They complied and reviewed procedures - they initially determined 2 well-taken and 1 ^{learned} challenged.

3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Single Optical Scanner		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) If accepted, did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official shall enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the election officials put all ballots into the ballot box including rejected and affidavit ballots?		

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Precinct Information

Hattiesburg Marine
 Lodge, USM Golf Course

ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION III III III III III III III	31
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party III III * 900 votes	8
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	0
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker III III	3
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only) III	2
CURBSIDE VOTING	0
AFFIDAVIT III III III III (Only 7 signed Affidavit Book) * 900 votes	11
CHALLENGES- frivolous I	1
CHALLENGES- challenged I	1
CHALLENGES- rejected # I	1
ABSENTEE- accepted III III III III III III III	28
ABSENTEE- rejected III	5
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES (No ADA VIBES Setup) * 900 votes	0
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING 7:38-44; 9:20-12D; 11:15-213; 12:45-247; 2:45-283; 5:17-571; 595	395
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK	645

* 900 votes
 * 900 votes
 * 900 votes

Municipal Election - City of Hattiesburg
September 24, 2013



Municipality Hattiesburg
Precinct/Ward North Heights
Arrival Time 6:30 am
Voter Roll Count 353
Votes (when present) 1083

STARTING THE DAY:	YES	NO
1) Did polls open at 7am?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) If using voting machines, was a zero tape printed?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Did the candidates' names on the zero tape match the names on the ballot?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Do all the machines show zero ballots cast at the time the polls open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Was a list of absentee voters posted? How many absentee voters? <u>3</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) Was a sample ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Was there a sign showing the hours during which the polling place is to be open?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8) Was there a poster showing the general information on voting rights under federal and state laws?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Were instructions posted for mail-in registrants who are unverified first-time voters?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10) Were instructions on how to cast a provisional/affidavit ballot posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11) Was the general information on prohibitions on fraud and misrepresentation posted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12) Is the precinct handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13) Is there a voting machine or device which is handicapped accessible?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DURING VOTING HOURS	YES	NO
1) Was an area 150' and closer from any entrance to the poll kept free from distribution and posting of campaign literature?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Was an area 30' in every direction from the polls or room kept clear of all persons except election officials, poll watchers, or persons waiting to vote?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) How many voters voluntarily provided identification? <u>3</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Voter Assistance:		
How many voters were assisted? <u>0</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
How many voters requested assistance from Poll Managers? <u>0</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Was the voter:		
Blind? _____ Illiterate? _____ Physically disabled? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Or none of the three? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Who provided assistance:		
Poll Manager? _____ Poll Watcher? _____ Third Party? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5) How many voters were provided instruction on how to use the voting machines? <u>0</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
Frivolous? _____ Rejected? _____		
Accepted? _____		
7) Were any voters turned away from the polls? How many? <u>50</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Why? <u>Precinct Changed</u>		
8) How many voters voted curbside? <u>0</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9) Did poll watchers move about the precinct greeting voters; trying to influence voters; or causing an interruption of the process?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10) How many affidavit ballots were cast? <u>60</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11) Were those casting affidavit ballots given written instructions on how to determine if their ballot was counted?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12) Is the ballot box locked?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13) Were any additional absentee ballots put into the election box after the polls opened?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14) Were any law enforcement officials, in uniform, allowed to hang around the polling place before or after voting?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15) Were people allowed inside the precinct wearing a shirt, cap, pin, sticker or any other advertisement for any candidate? How many? _____		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

UPON CLOSING	YES	NO
1) Did the poll stay open until 7 PM?	✓	
2) If people were in line to vote at 7 PM, did the officials make arrangements to mark the back of the line to ensure that no other persons are allowed entry into the line after 7 PM?		
CLOSING OF POLLS WITH TOUCH SCREEN VOTING MACHINES	YES	NO
1) When the polls closed, did the Managers lock and seal the machines?	✓	
2) Did the Manager open the counter compartment in the presence of those present, giving a full view of the counters?	✓	
3) Were the vote counts on each machine read aloud by each office, constitutional amendment or ballot measure and recorded by Managers on two Statements of Canvass?	✓	
4) Once the results are read and recorded, did the Managers lock the counter compartment to secure the results?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS USING TOUCH SCREEN MACHINES & CENTRAL SCANNER		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>3</u>		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	✓	
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	✓	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?	✓	
9) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in a separate envelope marked rejected?		
10) Did the election officials place all accepted ballots in a separate envelope marked accepted?	✓	
11) Did the election officials place all absentee ballots (accepted and rejected) in the ballot box, secure the ballot box and return the ballot box to elections central for tallying?		
PAPER BALLOTS	YES	NO
1) Were the ballot boxes publicly opened?		
2) Did the Manager read aloud the names voted for on the ballot?		
3) Were there persons to keep a tally of the announced votes?		
4) Did the election officials compare the total number of votes cast with the total number of voters signing the registration book?		
5) Were all ballots accounted for?		
CHALLENGED BALLOTS		
1) How many ballots were challenged? _____		
2) How many challenges were rejected? _____		
3) Did the election officials remove the challenged ballots and place them in a separate envelope?		
4) For those ballots where the managers could not determine whether the challenge was frivolous or well-taken, did the election officials mark the ballots "challenged", count those ballots separately and enter the results in the proper place on the tally sheet as a separate return?		
5) Were all the rejected challenge ballots grouped together, placed in a large sturdy envelope which was sealed and placed in the ballot box?		
AFFIDAVIT BALLOTS		
1) Were all affidavit ballots placed in a large envelope and secured in the ballot box?	✓	
ABSENTEE BALLOTS...Using Paper Ballots		
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?	✓	
2) How many absentee ballots were there? <u>3</u>		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?	✓	

4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark "voted" beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		
PRECINCT OPTICAL SCANNER	YES	NO
1) Did the election official announce the name, address and precinct as inscribed on each envelope?		
2) How many absentee ballots were there? _____		
3) Did the election officials compare the signature on the back of the envelope with the signature on the application?		
4) Did the election official mark the unopened envelope as accepted or rejected?		
5) How many were rejected? _____		
6) If rejected, did the election official write the reason for the rejection on the envelope?		
7) Did the election official check the poll book to ascertain whether the elector voted in person?		
8) If the elector did not vote in person, did the election official enter their name in the registration book and mark voted beside the name?		
9) Did the election official open each accepted ballot envelope, and without divulging the contents, place the ballot in a locked ballot box?		
10) Did the election official put the rejected ballots in an envelope marked rejected?		
11) Did the officials count/scan the absentee ballots and enter those totals into the totals for the precinct?		

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ACTIVITY	TOTAL NUMBER
VOLUNTARY IDENTIFICATION	111
VOTER ASSISTANCE- third party	
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll watcher	
VOTER ASSISTANCE- poll worker	
VOTER INSTRUCTION (poll managers only)	
CURBSIDE VOTING	
AFFIDAVIT	1
CHALLENGES- frivolous	
CHALLENGES- challenged	
CHALLENGES- rejected	
ABSENTEE- accepted	
ABSENTEE- rejected	
USE OF HAVA-COMPLIANT ACCESSIBLE DEVICES	
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING	
TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS ON POLLBOOK	352