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North Andover Board of Registrars

PUBLIC AUDIT

Tuesday, November 12, 2024

9 A.M.

Old Senior Center

120 Main Street, Rear

Conference Room – 1st Floor

State-Mandated Public Audit of the Presidential Election – Election Day Ballots

Post-Election Audits – Background:

In 2014, Chapter 109A of Chapter 54 of the General Laws was enacted, which requires post-election audits after presidential elections. Under the provisions of Chapter 54, section 109A(c), 3% of all precincts in Massachusetts must be hand-counted as part of the audit process.

The law requires that precincts to be audited must be chosen in a random, publicly verifiable, non-computerized drawing supervised by the Secretary within 48 hours after polls are closed.

The law further provides for a hand count of only certain specified races, where more than one candidate is printed on the ballot, and a statewide ballot question is also randomly selected.

The audit will be conducted by the Town Clerk. The Board of Registrars designated the Town Clerk to conduct the audit at their meeting held on November 7, 2024. The Registrars plan to be in attendance at the audit on November 12, 2024.