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NEWS RELEASE – POST-ELECTION AUDIT

Black Hawk County conducted its third post-election audit today under a new law designed to monitor and protect election processes. The audit was a perfect match to the result recorded on election night.

The new law allows the Secretary of State to call for a post-election audit at random. The post-election audit requires County auditors to supervise a hand count of the ballots from that precinct and compare the results to the voting machine count from election night.

In Black Hawk County, the Secretary of State chose Ward 3, Precinct 2 of Cedar Falls, which votes at Church of Christ, 2727 W. 4th St., where 847 votes were cast. Both the machine count from Tuesday night and the hand count Friday morning showed the following breakdown: Skaine, 14. Green, 442. Brown, 385. Write-in, 0. Undervotes, 6. Overvotes, 0. Total, 847.

“We have high confidence in the security measures we take for elections,” said County Auditor Grant Veeder, “but the post-election audit is a good way to prove that that confidence is well-founded.”

Three precinct election officials conducted the count under the supervision of Elections Manager Karen Showalter.

Questions about the post-election audit and other election matters may be directed to the Election Office at 319-833-3007 or election@co.black-hawk.ia.us.