How to Read a Statement of Votes Cast (SOVC)

The Statement of Votes Cast shows election results by precinct and race. The first pages show the turnout. The first column is the number of registered voters in each precinct. “Cards Cast” is the number of people who actually voted by all methods – early, paper absentee, provisional and on Election Day. The third column is the percent turnout.

In this case, please note that 659 people voted in Precinct 001-00.

Now scroll down to page 4, where the results for the Republican County County Mayor’s race start. A new column “Times Counted” has appeared. Times Counted is the number of ballots that were issued for that race in that precinct. In this case, 109 ballots in Precinct 001-00 were issued. The next column “Total Votes” shows how many people voted in that race; you will notice that 107 people actually voted in that election; two people choose to make no selection.

Yes
Now take a look at page 10, where the results for the Democratic Primary County Mayor start.

Notice that Times Counted in Precinct 001-00 in this race are 550. Again, this is the number of ballots given to voters. If you add this number to the 109 Republican ballots issued, you will see that this adds up to 659 Cards Cast from page 1. If you add up the votes for the candidates and the write-ins, you will see that they total 534, so sixteen voters choose not to vote in the race.

If you take a look at page 12, or the last page of any race, you will see that the results have been totaled.