

CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Supervisor of Elections Office

APRIL 1, 2014

Chairman Joe LaCascia called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present: Mayor Joe LaCascia, Vice Mayor Mike Blethen, Councilor Don Kimsey, Councilor Keith Prestage, City Attorney Tom Cloud, City Manager Patricia Jackson and Assistant to the City Manager Sheandolen Dunn

Absent: Councilor Trudy Block

Lori Edwards, Supervisor of Elections, advised the first order of business was to elect a Chairman for the Canvassing Board. Vice Mayor Blethen made a motion for Mayor LaCascia to preside as Chairman of the Canvassing Board; the motion was seconded by Councilor Prestage and unanimously carried.

Lori Edwards then went over the criteria of the Canvassing Board. There were 191 absentee ballots requested, and 133 of came back okay. At this time Ms. Edwards requested a motion to start processing the absentees. Councilor Prestage made a motion to start processing the absentee ballots; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Blethen and unanimously carried.

There are two absentee ballots to bring before the Canvassing Board whereby their signatures were not accepted by Patricia and/or Sheandolen because they did not appear to match what is on file. The absentee ballots were then reviewed by the Canvassing Board as follows:

- 1) **Voter ID Number E150806477** – After review the Canvassing Board unanimously rejected this absentee ballot and Lori Edwards stamped the ballot “rejected.”
- 2) **Voter ID Number E150742468** – After review the Canvassing Board unanimously rejected this absentee ballot and Lori Edward stamped the ballot “rejected.”

Chairman LaCascia then called a recess.

Chairman LaCascia then reconvened the Canvassing Board at 7:14 p.m.

There was one additional absentee ballot received to verify, and City Manager Jackson verified the signature. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to accept the validation of the absentee ballot.

Chairman LaCascia called a recess at 7:15 p.m.


Chairman LaCascia reconvened the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Lori Edwards advised three absentee ballots were refused by the machine, and the Canvassing Board needs to determine the voter's intent on each ballot as follows:


- 1) There were two areas to check and the Canvassing Board determined the intent was a **yes** vote
- 2) There was one area to check and the Canvassing Board determined the intent was a **yes** vote
- 3) There was one area to check and the Canvassing Board determined the intent was a **no** vote

The Canvassing Board then waited on the results from the polling precinct. The unofficial results from the polling precinct are attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Canvassing Board then waited on the unofficial results with absentees included; a copy is attached and made part of these minutes.



Patricia R. Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Chairman

CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 3, 2014

Chairman Joe LaCascia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Sheandolen Dunn

Present: Mayor Joe LaCascia, Vice Mayor Mike Blethen, Councilor Don Kimsey, Councilor Keith Prestage, City Attorney Tom Cloud and City Manager Patricia Jackson

Absent: Councilor Trudy Block

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Canvassing Board –Certify Election Results

City Attorney Tom Cloud and City Manager Patricia Jackson discussed the purpose of this meeting which was to certify the election results. The elections results were as follows:

Amendment #1 the whole number of votes cast was 367 of which number:

Yes (for approval)...291 votes

No (for rejection).....76 votes

Amendment #2 the whole number of votes cast was 361 of which number:

Yes249 votes

No112 votes

Amendment #3 the whole number of votes cast was 377 of which number:

Yes202 votes

No175 votes

Amendment #4 the whole number of votes cast was 384 of which number:

Yes241 votes

No143 votes

Amendment #5 the whole number of votes cast was 381 of which number:

Yes298 votes

No83 votes

Motion by Councilor Prestage to accept the results of Charter Amendments 1-5 as presented; this motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Blethen.

Vote: Mayor LaCascia-aye, Vice Mayor Blethen-aye, Councilor Kimsey-aye, Councilor Prestage - aye

Motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

Seat #2 the whole number of votes cast was 396 of which number:

Cathy Gabany 161 votes

Don Kimsey 235 votes

Motion by Vice Mayor Blethen to accept the results of Seat #2 as presented; this motion was seconded by Councilor Prestage.

Vote: Mayor LaCascia-aye, Vice Mayor Blethen-aye, Councilor Prestage – aye

Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

Seat #4 the whole number of votes cast was 396 of which number:

Gail Funk 177 votes

Joe LaCascia.... 219 votes

Motion by Councilor Kimsey to accept the results of Seat #4 as presented; this motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Blethen.

Vote: Vice Mayor Blethen-aye, Councilor Kimsey – aye, Councilor Prestage – aye

Motion carried unanimously, 3/0.

Seat #5 the whole number of votes cast was 398 of which number:

Trudy Block 176 votes

Wanda Cooper Harris..... 222 votes

Motion by Vice Mayor Blethen to accept the results of Seat #5 as presented; this motion was seconded by Mayor LaCascia.

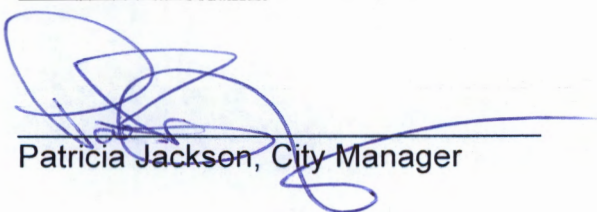
Vote: Mayor LaCascia-aye, Vice Mayor Blethen-aye, Councilor Kimsey – aye, Councilor Prestage – aye

Motion carried unanimously, 4/0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Manager Jackson reminded the Canvassing Board of the meeting on April 10 at 4:00 pm at the Supervisor of Elections Office for the Post Election Audit.

ADJOURNMENT – 6:10 pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Mayor

CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2014

Chairman Joe LaCascia called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. at the Supervisor of Elections Office in Bartow.

ROLL CALL – Sheandolen Dunn

Present: Mayor Joe LaCascia, Councilor Don Kimsey, Councilor Keith Prestage and City Manager Patricia Jackson

Absent: Vice Mayor Mike Blethen, Councilor Trudy Block

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Post Election Audit – Random Audit Selection and Conduct Audit

Christine Goding, Deputy Supervisor of Elections, provided a brief overview of the rules and security procedures for this meeting.

The purpose of this meeting was to randomly select a race to audit. This process began with Mayor Joe LaCascia drawing a name from a hat. The item pulled was Charter Amendment #2 which proposed to change the word “town” to “city” wherever the word “town” is found in the Charter.

The Supervisor of Election’s counting team proceeded to manually count each of the votes. The votes counted matched the numbers from the automated voting system. Those votes were:

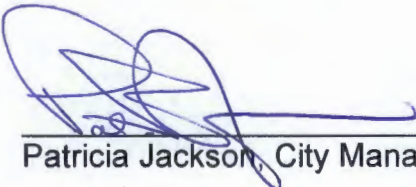
For Charter Amendment #2 – 249

Against Charter Amendment #2 – 112

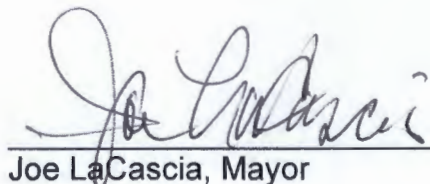
The Supervisor of Elections Voting System Post-Election Audit Report and Precinct Summary for Polk City are on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT - 4:27 pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Mayor