



# CITY OF WINTER GARDEN

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WINTER GARDEN, FL 34787

## **CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 8, 2011**

A meeting of the City of Winter Garden Canvassing Board was called to order by City Clerk Golden at the Orange County Supervisor of Elections office, 119 West Kaley Street, in Orlando Florida, on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 4:20 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** City Clerk Kathy Golden, Andy Bruns, and Alex Ramos

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Assistant City Clerk Angee Grimmage as the Recording Clerk

Ms. Golden declared that a quorum was present and announced that the board will publicly canvass the votes cast in the election held March 8, 2011 for City Commissioner District 1.

**CALL TO ORDER AND REVIEW OF LEGAL AD** *(This item was addressed later in the meeting.)*

### **ACCOUNTING OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

The Canvassing Board began the accounting of the absentee ballots as follows:

The number of absentee ballots delivered was 468, of which the Canvassing Board had 156 absentee ballots in its possession. Of the remaining 312 absentee ballots, 9 were returned undeliverable and 303 ballots were not returned.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Ramos that all the absentee ballots to be accounted for by the Canvassing Board are currently accounted for. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Bruns and carried unanimously 3-0.**

### **CANVASSING OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS**

The Canvassing Board commenced with canvassing of one (1) absentee ballot from batch number 8185.

The one questionable absentee ballot has been identified by the Orange County Supervisor of Elections as containing irregularities for review by the Canvassing Board as follows:

Batch number 8185 contained one ballot with no signature. **Motion by Canvassing Board Member Ramos to REJECT one absentee ballot cast without a signature. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Bruns and carried unanimously 3-0.**

There was discussion on the Canvassing Board recessing its meeting when necessary.

**LOGIC AND ACCURACY TEST (prior to count)**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Ramos to authorize that the Logic and Accuracy test be performed at this time. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Brunns and carried unanimously 3-0.**

Orange County Supervisor of Elections staff member conducted the required logic and accuracy test using a series of test ballots on the tabulating equipment. The Canvassing Board witnessed and certified to the accuracy of the test results (*see attached Exhibit "A"*).

**REVIEW OF LEGAL AD**

City Clerk Golden stated that this meeting has been duly advertised and the Canvassing Board reviewed the legal advertisement.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to approve the meeting minutes of February 8, 2011 as submitted. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ramos and carried unanimously 3-0.**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to authorize zeroing out and running the ballot tabulator tape to verify that it has been set at zero. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ramos and carried unanimously 3-0.**

A staff member of Orange County Supervisor of Elections zeroed the ballot tabulator and it was verified by the Canvassing Board members.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to authorize the tabulating of the non-objected and verified absentee ballots consisting of 155 ballots. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ramos and carried unanimously 3-0.**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Ramos to amend his prior motion to be 146 accepted absentee ballots because nine were not deliverable and one has been rejected by the Canvassing Board. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Brunns and carried unanimously 3-0.**

Canvassing Board Member Golden noted that there were no objections filed to any of the absentee ballots to be canvassed.

The Canvassing Board **recessed** its meeting at 5:12 p.m. and **reconvened** at 7:00 p.m.

At this time, the sealed envelope of early voting results was provided to the Canvassing Board by Orange County Election staff. The accepted absentee ballots were prepared by the Canvassing Board to be run through the tabulator.

At this time, the results printout from Precinct 1103 was provided to the Canvassing Board. Board members entered the totals from the polling location, early voting, and absentees. There were no provisional ballots cast.

Canvassing Board Member Golden read the election results and stated that a recount was not required.

**EARLY VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	1	Rod Reynolds	1	Henry L. Wright	2
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**ABSENTEE VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	63	Rod Reynolds	45	Henry L. Wright	38
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Canvassing Board Member Golden called precinct 1103 to see if there were any provisional ballots. There were none.

**PROVISIONAL BALLOTS**

Kent Wesley Makin	0	Rod Reynolds	0	Henry L. Wright	0
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**PRECINCT VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	308	Rod Reynolds	146	Henry L. Wright	280
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Canvassing Board Member Golden announced that the election has resulted in run-off election between Kent Wesley Makin and Henry L. Wright.

Canvassing Board Member Golden stated that the total votes cast were 884.

**TOTAL VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	372	Rod Reynolds	192	Henry L. Wright	320
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**PERCENTAGE OF VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	42.081	Rod Reynolds	21.719	Henry L. Wright	36.199
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Canvassing Board Member Golden stated that given that no one candidate has received over 50 percent of the total votes cast, there will be a run-off election between Kent Wesley Makin and Henry L. Wright.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Bruns to accept the returns as reflected for the March 8, 2011. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ramos and carried unanimously 3-0.**

Canvassing Board Member Golden stated that the totals do not reflect the need for any recount.

**LOGIC AND ACCURACY TEST (after the count)**

Orange County Supervisor of Elections staff member Mr. Lonk Fluke conducted the required logic and accuracy test using a series of test ballots on the tabulating equipment. The

Canvassing Board witnessed and certified to the accuracy of the test results (*see attached Exhibit "B"*).

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Ramos to authorize the issuance of the certificates of results for the Winter Garden Municipal General Election of March 8, 2011. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Bruns and carried unanimously 3-0.**

Each member signed the certificate of results (*see attached Exhibit "C"*).

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

In light of new information provided by Orange County Elections office, the Canvassing Board **reconvened** at 7:49 p.m. due to the fact that the touch screen votes were not originally included in the printouts given to the Canvassing Board by the Orange County Supervisor of Elections.

Canvassing Board Member Golden stated that there were a total of 5 votes to be added to the counts as follows.

**PRECINCT TOUCH SCREEN VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	2	Rod Reynolds	0	Henry L. Wright	3
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**REVISED TOTAL VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	374	Rod Reynolds	192	Henry L. Wright	323
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**REVISED PERCENTAGE OF VOTES**

Kent Wesley Makin	42.070	Rod Reynolds	21.597	Henry L. Wright	36.333
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The run-off election between Kent Wesley Makin and Henry L. Wright remains. No candidate is within one half of one percent of the votes cast, so there is no recount required. The total number of votes cast is 889.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Bruns to approve the revised totals of the official results and authorize the issuance of the certificate of results for the Winter Garden Municipal General Election of March 8, 2011. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ramos and carried unanimously 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Prepared by:

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Angee Grimmage, Assistant City Clerk  
Recording Clerk

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Canvassing Board Member