



# **CITY OF WINTER GARDEN**

## **CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES March 13, 2012**

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 13, 2012 at 5:45 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** City Clerk Kathy Golden, Andy Bruns, and Moraima “Mimi” Ortiz

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

At this time the Canvassing Board Members reviewed the legal advertisement.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Bruns to approve the meeting minutes of February 16, 2012 as submitted. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

The Canvassing Board reviewed the logic and accuracy test results, as witnessed by Board Member Golden on February 23, 2012 for precinct and early voting tabulating equipment.

**Motion by Member Bruns to approve logic and accuracy test results on the voting equipment performed on February 23, 2012. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

Orange County Supervisor of Elections (OCSE) staff members conducted the required logic and accuracy test using a series of test ballots on the absentee ballot tabulating equipment. Canvassing Board members witnessed and attested to the accuracy of the test results.

The Canvassing Board verified with OCSE staff the number of absentee ballots requested, delivered and returned.

OCSE staff presented irregular ballots to the Canvassing Board for verifying.

Canvassing Board Member Golden explained the canvassing criteria.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Bruns to REJECT all absentees without a signature.**

OCSE staff presented three absentee ballots with signatures that could not be verified.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Bruns to REJECT absentee ballot for Michael John Barry. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to REJECT absentee ballot for Brent A. Belvedere. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to REJECT absentee ballot for Barbara Szorcsik. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

OCSE staff presented absentee ballots with the Absentee Control Sheet with totals for verification by the Canvassing Board. As the counts were verified, the Orange County Supervisor of Elections staff ran the ballots through the tabulator.

OCSE staff presented the Canvassing Board with two over the counter submitted ballots that were accepted and added to the other absentee ballots for tabulating.

The Canvassing Board discussed two damaged ballots that were duplicated by OCSE staff, verified by the Canvassing Board, and permission granted for OCSE staff to run the duplicate ballots through the tabulator.

The Canvassing Board, when opening the absentee envelopes found two ballot envelopes with two ballots in the each envelope. OCSE staff researched and advised that they were both a husband and wife situation. OCSE staff explained that in the case of the ballot envelope only being signed by Helen R. Adler it could not be determined which voter voted and the practice in this situation is both ballots would be rejected.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to REJECT absentee ballot submitted by Helen Adler. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

The Canvassing Board reviewed the absentee ballot envelope signatures for Aida and Nelson Santiago.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to ACCEPT absentee ballots for Aida and Nelson Santiago. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and unanimously carried 3-0.**

Canvassing Board Member Brunns addressed the importance of updated signature cards on file with the Orange County Supervisor of Elections staff.

The Canvassing Board was presented with a absentee ballot and provisional ballot cast at the precinct by a voter claiming to not have voted absentee. The Canvassing Board referred to their adopted canvassing criteria which states that if the voter has already voted by absentee or at an early voting center, then the provisional ballot would be rejected.

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to ACCEPT the absentee ballot and REJECT the provisional ballot cast by Roy Sylvester Duncan. Second by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

At this time Bill Cowles, Orange County Supervisor of Elections, presented the Canvassing Board with a printout of the **UNOFFICIAL** results for the City of Winter Garden General Election 2012, which stated the following:

**COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 2**

<b>Precinct</b>	Bob Buchanan	Theo Graham
<b>2103</b>	268	155

**COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3**

<b>Precinct</b>	Harold L. Bouler	Robert "Bobby" Olszewski	Edward Lee Scott
<b>3103</b>	140	414	36

**COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4**

<b>Precinct</b>	Colin Sharman	Rosemarie Solomon
<b>4103</b>	234	65

At this time, the OCSE staff conducted the required post-logic and accuracy test using a series of test ballots on the absentee tabulating equipment. The Canvassing Board witnessed and certified to the accuracy of the test results. OCSE staff office zeroed the absentee ballot tabulator and it was verified by the Canvassing Board members.

**Possible certification of the election results and audit**

Canvassing Board Member Golden stated that the official results will have to be postponed until Thursday, March 15, 2012 at which time the provisional cast the precincts will be canvassed.

**Adjournment**

**Motion by Canvassing Board Member Brunns to adjourning until Thursday, March 15, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. at 119 W. Kaley Street, Orlando, Florida. Seconded by Canvassing Board Member Ortiz and carried unanimously 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Prepared by:

Approved by:

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 Angee Grimmage, Assistant City Clerk  
 Recording Clerk

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 Canvassing Board Member