



MICANOPY, SEMINOLE CHIEF

Minutes

Town Commission – Special Meeting Election Results - Canvassing Board Meeting Tuesday • March 14, 2017 • 7:05 pm

1. Call to Order: 7:05 pm

2. Roll Call:

Commissioners Attending:

- Joseph Aufmuth Present
- Michael Berkowitz Present (arriving late at 7:14 pm)
- Virginia Mance, Mayor Present
- Michael Roberts, Mayor Pro-Tem Present
- Tim Parker Present

- Debbie Gonano, Town Administrator Present
- Stephen Lee, Town Attorney Present
- Patty Polk, Deputy Town Clerk Present

Mayor Mance called the meeting to order.

3. Canvassing Board will count the Ballots:

Micanopy Election Polls closed at 7:00 PM.

The Town Commission acts as the Canvassing Board.

The manual count of the absentee ballots followed this procedure: The ballots were separated into 4 stacks and each canvassing board member observed the ballots, marked their tally sheet, and reported the total votes for each candidate. Commissioner Parker erroneously counted 19 votes for Roberts, but recounted the votes, and corrected his total to 18 for a total of 27 absentee ballots. Tally for absentee ballots are as follows:

	<u>Ruffino</u>	<u>Roberts</u>
Commissioner Parker	9	18
Commissioner Berkowitz	9	18
Commissioner Aufmuth	9	18
Mayor Mance	9	18

The canvassing board confirmed and certified the ballot box votes provided by Poll Worker, Clerk Mathers

Ballot Box #1 (Total 40 votes)	20	20
Ballot Box #2 (Total 189 votes)	<u>88</u>	<u>101</u>
Total Ballot Box Votes	108	121

We have two tallies from the voting machines: Ballot Box #1 had 40 votes cast and Ballot Box #2 had 189 votes cast for a total of 229 votes on machines, plus 27 votes from absentee ballots = 256 total votes for this election.

Votes cast for Seat #5:

Incumbent Candidate Roberts = 139 votes

Candidate Layla Ruffino = 117 votes

Good job getting that many voters out to the polls. Congratulations to the candidates for conducting civil campaigns. Town Administrator Gonano stated that a majority vote, called for by the Town Charter, isn't a problem this year with only two candidates in the race. Mayor Mance stated that all the ballots, envelopes, and supporting documents will be kept on file at Town Hall.

Town Administrator Gonano, acting as the local Supervisor of Elections, certified the election results to the Canvassing Board and announced the winners. Congratulations were offered to Commissioner Roberts and Troy Blakely, our new Commissioner-elect. Commissioner Berkowitz was duly thanked for his experience and service.

4. Adjourn: 7:42 pm

MINUTES APPROVED:

As submitted _____ as amended _____ at Town Commission Meeting _____

Virginia Mance, Mayor

Patty S. Polk, Recorder