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# Minutes

## Town Commission Canvassing Board Meeting Tuesday • 11 March 2014 • 7:00 pm

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**1. Call to Order: 7:13 pm**

**2. Roll Call:**

Commissioners Attending:

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| • Joseph Aufmuth                    | Present            |
| • Michael Berkowitz                 | Absent with notice |
| • Virginia Mance, Mayor Pro-Tem     | Present            |
| • Richard Shutterly, Mayor          | Present            |
| • Jason “Tug” Huddleston            | Present            |
| • Debbie Gonano, Town Administrator | Present            |
| • Stephen Lee, Town Attorney        | Present            |
| • Patty Polk, Deputy Town Clerk     | Present            |

**3. Canvassing Board will count the Absentee Ballots:**

Micanopy Election Polls closed at 7:00 PM.

The Town Commission stands in as the Canvassing Board. Mayor Shutterly explained the procedure as follows:

Commissioner Huddleston will open the envelopes and pull out the ballot which will be passed to Mayor Shutterly.

Mayor Shutterly will pass them onto Mayor Pro-Tem Mance who will open them up and place them face down on the table. The secrecy sleeves will be set aside as they are no longer needed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Mance will shuffle the ballots and Commissioner Huddleston will shuffle the envelopes.

We have 22 absentee ballots, face down and shuffled. Mayor Pro-Tem Mance sorted the ballots, counted them, and passed them to the other canvassing board members for their count.

Meanwhile, the ballot box printed totals were received the poll workers as follows:

Received: Layton Glenn 31, Michael Roberts 69, and Sabine Dickel 69.

We have one provisional ballot, the voter’s address was unable to be verified by the Alachua County Supervisor of Elections, and the voter voted a provisional ballot. It is the Canvassing Board’s responsibility to accept or reject the provisional ballot. Commissioner Huddleston asked what constitutes a majority, and Mayor Shutterly stated that historically the winner has been the candidate with the most votes.

Commissioner Aufmuth joined the canvassing board meeting already in progress at 7:30 PM.

Commissioner Aufmuth recounted the ballots, and his count agrees with the previously acknowledged total of 22 absentee ballots. Each Commissioner counted the ballots and compared notes, and the total counts agreed with each other.

Attorney Lee is researching provisional ballots and how they should be handled. The results he found with his online search relates to County Elections and provides that the person casting the provisional ballot has the right to present written evidence supporting his or her eligibility to vote not later than 5 PM on the second day following the election. The Canvassing Board can examine the certificate and affirmation to determine whether the person was entitled to vote and did not already cast a vote.

Commissioner Huddleston opened the provisional ballot and passed it to Mayor Shutterly to determine if it would make a difference to the vote totals. Mayor Shutterly announced that the provisional ballot would not change the outcome of the election; therefore the provisional ballot would not be counted.

Mayor Shutterly announced the total votes received with the absentee ballots counted.  
Received: Layton Glenn 46, Michael Roberts 72, and Sabine Dickel 73.

**4. Adjourn: 7:40 PM**

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**MINUTES APPROVED:**

As submitted \_\_\_\_\_ as amended \_\_\_\_\_ at Town Commission Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

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**Richard Shutterly, Mayor**

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**Patty S. Polk, Recorder**