

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON
1800 WEST OLD SHAKOPEE ROAD
HENNEPIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA 55431

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Approved Minutes
Special Meeting to Canvass Election
Meeting #33

5:00 p.m.
November 7, 2003
Council Chamber

Call to Order Mayor Gene Winstead called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Roll Call Present: Mayor Winstead, Councilmembers D. Abrams, S. Elkins, M. Fossum, H. Harden
<arrived at 5:15 p.m.> and S. Peterson.
Absent: V. Wilcox

Public Comment Period The Public Comment Period is not usually open during special/study meetings.

Approved the City General Election Results Item 3.1 Motion was made by Abrams, seconded by Peterson, and all voting aye, to approve the results of the November 4, 2003, City General Election as submitted by the election judges. The following information was presented:

- A. Total number of good ballots cast: 18,627
- B. Total number of registered voters at 7:00 a.m.: 49,310
Total number of voters registering on Election Day: 712
Total number of registered voters at 8:00 p.m.: 50,022
- C. Total number of spoiled ballots (voter received a replacement): 218
- D. A true copy of the ballots used in this election were provided in the Council materials.
- E. The names of the judges of the election were included in the Council materials.
- F. Other pertinent information:
 - 1) Number of absentee ballots issued: 939
 - 2) Number of absentee ballots received: 875
 - 3) Number of accepted absentee ballots: 856
 - 4) Number of rejected absentee ballots: 19
(No voter signature; no witness; no registration card; no witness signatures; voter signature does not match application; not a valid witness; no witness address)
 - 5) Number of write-ins: 145

Tom Ferber, City Clerk, presented Council with the results of the 2004 City General Election stating that the voter turnout in Bloomington was very good as 37.5%. He reported 200 election judges worked the election and acknowledged one election judge who was in the audience and Deputy City Clerk Kim Engberg for their work in making this a smooth running election.

Winstead stated that he received a call from a reporter the night of the election inquiring what he thought about all of the incumbents being re-elected. He replied that he was happy, as this group works well together as a council.

Elkins requested that Ferber describe the election as, "Municipal General Election" when he transmits the results to the Secretary of State's Office.

Acting City Manager Larry Lee stated that the comment letter Council had continued to this meeting regarding S.F. 150 was still hung up in process today but that phone calls had been made explaining the City's position on the issue.

At the Mayor's request and after a poll was taken of the Council, the November 24 study meeting was tentatively rescheduled to November 25.

Adjourn Meeting Mayor Winstead adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Barbara Clawson
Council Secretary