

SPECIAL MEETING CANVASS OF VOTES
Town Hall – 201 Delaware Street – New Castle
Monday, April 15, 2011 - 8:00 p.m.

Chair Marianne Caven called the meeting of the Board of Election to order at 8 p.m. on April 15, 2013, for the canvass of the votes for the City of New Castle election which took place on April 13, 2013.

Board of Election members in attendance were: Marianne Caven, Chair; Richard Pennell; Pat Salter-Flynn; Faythe Waterloo; Barbara Winkler

Also in attendance were City Council President William Barthel, Councilperson John Cochran, Councilperson John Gaworski, Councilperson Ted Megginson, Councilperson Teel Petty, City Treasurer Janet Carlin and City Clerk Mike Dickinson.

Chair Caven provided the vote totals, including absentee ballots:

John Klingmeyer—282 votes
Somasunderam Padmalingam—150
Donald Reese—500 votes

Council President
William Barthel—693

Treasurer
Janet Carlin—703

Member of Council (unofficial totals)
John Cochran—472
John Gaworski—472
Carol Hickman—366
Theodore Megginson—563
Teel Petty—493
William Robinett—295
Albert Vannucci—471

City Clerk write-in candidates (total of 19)
Tom Maddox—4
Jamie Stewart—2
Dennis Gray—1
Kelly Koczak—1
Janet Wurtzel—2
Edith Cashman—1
Brian Whitaker—1
Thomas Downes III—1
Eliecer Infante—2

Kate Fisher—1
Mike Dickinson—2
Don Reese—1

A recount of the 50 ballots cast absentee for the Office of City Council was conducted. The results:

John Cochran received 23 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

John Gaworski received 26 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Carol Hickman received 19 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Theodore Megginson received 32 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Teel Petty received 24 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

William Robinett received 15 absentee votes, which was inconsistent with the count on Election Day of 14 votes.

Albert Vannucci received 17 absentee votes, which was inconsistent with the count on Election Day of 16 votes.

The board then went through the ballots to make sure none of the ballots contained more than four votes for Council. All were found valid.

A recount of the absentee ballot votes was done next on the Mayor race to confirm.

John Klingmeyer received 11 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Somasunderam Padmalingam received 6 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Donald Reese received 32 absentee votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Chair Caven provided the final recounted results:

Mayor

John Klingmeyer received 271 votes on the voting machines and 11 absentee votes for a total of 282 votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Somasunderam Padmalingam received 144 votes on the voting machines and 6 absentee votes for a total of 150 votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Donald Reese received 468 votes on the voting machines and 32 absentee votes for a total of 500 votes, confirming the count on Election Day.

Council President

William Barthel—693. This is the same as the Election Day total.

Treasurer

Janet Carlin—703. This is the same as the Election Day total.

Member of Council

John Cochran—449 votes on the voting machines and 23 absentee votes for a total of 472. This is the same as the Election Day total.

John Gaworski—446 votes on the voting machines and 26 absentee votes for a total of 472. This is the same as the Election Day total.

Carol Hickman—347 votes on the voting machines and 19 absentee votes for a total of 366. This is the same as the Election Day total.

Theodore Megginson—531 votes on the voting machines and 32 absentee votes for a total of 563. This is the same as the Election Day total.

Teel Petty—469 votes on the voting machines and 24 absentee votes for a total of 593. This is the same as the Election Day total.

William Robinett—281 votes on the voting machines and 15 absentee votes for a total of 296, adjusted from the Election Day total of 295.

Albert Vannucci—455 votes on the voting machines and 17 absentee votes for a total of 472, adjusted from the Election Day total of 471.

Chair Caven said this completes the recount and explained the adjusted numbers will be on the official result forms to be signed by the City Council President and the City Clerk. Those forms will be used to prepare Certificates of Election.

Chair Caven said the Board of Election has completed its part. She read from the City Charter: "On the Monday evening following any such election, the City Council shall meet at 8:00 p.m., local time, for the purpose of canvassing said election. The Chair of the Board of Elections or his/her designee shall appear before City Council at that time and present the certificate of election retained by them. The City Council shall canvass the vote and after ascertaining which candidates have received the greatest number of votes and have been thereby elected to the various offices, shall fill out, sign and deliver certificates of election to all of the successful candidates. In the event of a tie vote for election to any office, the outgoing City Council by a majority vote of the members present shall resolve the tie. In the event of a tie vote of the members of Council present the Mayor shall cast the deciding vote."

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.