



City of Northfield

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Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Thursday, August 15, 2024

3:30 PM

Council Chambers

Canvass Election Results

3:30 PM - CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pownell called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m.

Present: 7 - Council Member Brad Ness, Mayor Rhonda Pownell, Council Member Jami Reister, Council Member George Zuccolotto, Council Member Kathleen Holmes, Council Member Davin Sokup, and Council Member Jessica Peterson White

Also present: City Administrator Ben Martig, Communications and Human Resources Director Michelle Mahowald, Finance Director Brenda Angelstad, City Clerk Lynette Peterson, Police Chief Mark Elliott and Deputy City Clerk/Executive Administrative Assistant Sara Hoffman.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Pownell noted information sent out via Supplemental Agenda Background Memo No. 1.

A motion was made by Council Member Holmes, seconded by Council Member Peterson White, to approve the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - C. Ness, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, C. Zuccolotto, C. Holmes, C. Sokup, and C. Peterson White

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [Res. 2024-086](#) Approve Abstract of Votes Cast at the August 13, 2024 Primary Election.

City Clerk Lynette Peterson presented results of the August 13, 2024 Primary Election. There were a total of 4,062 persons that voted via absentee ballot (1,005) or in person (3,064) on Election Day. There were 12,965 registered voters as of 7:00 a.m. on Election Day. An additional 142 persons registered on Election Day. Voter turnout in Northfield was approximately 31.3%.

Election results for the local race of Council Member Ward 2 were as follows: Chad M. Beumer with 704 votes; Emy Farley with 341 votes; and Edward Malnar with 161 votes. The two candidates who receive the highest number of votes, Chad M. Beumer and Emy Farley, are the nominees for office and their names are placed on the City General Election ballot.

Election results for the local race of Mayor were as follows: Ruth Dahl with 1,535 votes;

Erica Zweifel with 1,320 votes; Rhonda Pownell with 520 votes; Timothy Babbini with 295 votes; Adam Gebler with 166 votes; George Zuccolotto with 149 votes; and Michael J. Kirschling with 23 votes. The two candidates who receive the highest number of votes, Ruth Dahl and Erica Zweifel, are the nominees for office and their names are placed on the City General Election ballot.

A motion was made by Council Member Ness, seconded by Council Member Peterson White, to approve Resolution No. 2024-086 Approving Canvass of Votes Case at the August 13, 2024 City Primary Election. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - C. Ness, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, C. Zuccolotto, C. Holmes, C. Sokup, and C. Peterson White

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Holmes, seconded by Council Member Ness, to adjourn the meeting at 3:38 p.m. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - C. Ness, Mayor Pownell, C. Reister, C. Zuccolotto, C. Holmes, C. Sokup, and C. Peterson White