



Livingston Special City Commission Minutes

March 25, 2024

12:00 PM

City – County Complex, Community Room

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1. Call to Order

Chair Kahle called the meeting to order at 12:07PM

2. Roll Call

City Commission in attendance at start of meeting: Chair Kahle, Vice-Chair Nootz, Commissioner Schwarz, and Commissioner Willich

Staff in attendance: City Manager Grant Gager, Policy Analyst Greg Anthony, and City Clerk Emily Hutchinson.

Park County Clerk & Records Office Staff: Maritza Reddington, Angeliene Gelderloos, and Lori Schneider

3. Public Comment

Individuals are reminded that public comments should be limited to item over which the City Commission has supervision, control jurisdiction, or advisory power (MCA 2-3-202)

4. Consent Items

5. Proclamations

6. Scheduled Public Comment

7. Action Items

A. OFFICIAL CANVAS - ELECTION RETURNS 2024

Chair Kahle called on the City Manager to introduce the item.

The City Manager stated this item is related to the March 19 Special Election regarding the Wellness Center. He introduced the Maritza Reddington the Park County Election Administrator.

Maritza stated what they Commission has are the results by precinct. She stated the spreadsheet is what they print out of their voter database, and it shows how many ballots were accepted, rejected, voided and undeliverable. They verify signatures, accept the ballots in their system that is what prints out of the database as accepted by precinct and voter. Then they take that report and compare it to what was run on the machine, so the tabulator results compared to voter system. She further explained the result and process of the absentee board, there is a board of 8 judges that come and open envelopes and they do that in batches of about 125 ballots. They count the number

of affirmation envelopes compared to what has been accepted in the system, then open the ballot, if 2 ballots are in there with one signature, they'll reject it, so they are keeping track of all that. Stated to the Commission that since they are the governing body they are canvassing the results, so just canvassing the reports and what the Election Office has done. She stated there was a supplemental batch of ballots that were issued, and precincts are 58 L1, L2, L3, L4, and L5 based on the House District and then Livingston for the City limits. They have a file cabinet with ballots where they are stored and kept, there were 16 ballots pulled out of the L3 drawer and they should have been L4, so what they accepted in the system is +16, but then -16 when they were counted. Maritza clarified the results are posted on the Park County website as well @ <https://www.parkcounty.org/Government-Departments/Elections/>

Commissioner Schwarz moved to approve the item and Commissioner Willich seconded the motion

Commissioners thanked Maritza and her staff for their hard work.

The item was approved unanimously by the four commissioners present.

8. City Manager Comment

The City Manager thanked the Election Administration Office and everyone involved including volunteers for their work on this.

9. City Commission Comments

Vice-Chair Nootz thanked fellow Commissioners for sharing additional information

Chair Kahle thanked the Election Office and their volunteers for their work on this.

10. Adjournment

12:30pm Commissioner Schwarz motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Willich. Unanimously approved.

Calendar of Events

Supplemental Material

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