

**CANVASSING BOARD  
CITY OF RAMSEY  
ANOKA COUNTY  
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Ramsey City Council conducted a Canvassing Board meeting on Friday, August 12, 2022, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present:     Acting Mayor Chris Riley  
                            Councilmember Debra Musgrove  
                            Councilmember Dan Specht  
                            Councilmember Matt Woestehoff

Members Absent:     Mayor Mark Kuzma  
                            Councilmember Ryan Heineman  
                            Councilmember Chelsea Howell

Also Present:         City Administrator Brian Hagen  
                            City Clerk Katie Schmidt

**1.     CALL TO ORDER**

Acting Mayor Riley called the Canvassing Board meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

**2.     CITIZEN INPUT**

None.

**3.     APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Specht, seconded by Councilmember Musgrove, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Acting Mayor Riley, Councilmembers Specht, Musgrove, and Woestehoff. Voting No: None.

**4.     COMMISSIONER BUSINESS**

**4.01:   Declare the Results of the August 9, 2022 Ward 1 - Primary Election**

City Clerk Schmidt reviewed the staff report and provided a summary of the Primary Election and its results.

Acting Mayor Riley asked if there were any difficulties or glitches that occurred.

City Clerk Schmidt said that there are always minor occurrences, especially in the morning when the polls opened. She added that at one of the polling places they were not able to get into the building right away and at another polling place, they were not able to get online and had to record check ins by the book. She added that overall it went well.

Councilmember Specht mentioned that he had spoken to a Ramsey resident and they had searched on Google for Ramsey Public Works and it still has their old address. He added that he submitted an update to Google and Apple Maps to get this changed to the correct address.

Councilmember Woestehoff added that the City Council can claim the address as a business location and once the communications person is on board they could assign them the task of ensuring that the location, especially polling places, are listed as business addresses.

Councilmember Musgrove asked City Clerk Schmidt about the polling place that had to record by paper. She asked if that polling place was still able to record the votes electronically or if they had to get the numbers by paper.

City Clerk Schmidt said the polling places have books of the registered voters, so they had to mark each voter off in the book and get online to pair it and print out the results of check ins periodically to ensure that everything lined up and no voters had voted at the County or within the last day. She added this was a more labor intensive process and required communication with the County.

Councilmember Musgrove asked if they were able to figure out what happened and had resolved the issue.

City Clerk Schmidt said that Anoka County did not have an explanation as to why it was not connecting. She mentioned that when she arrived back at City Hall they sent her a list of poll pads that needed to be paired up again because they did not sync after the election to ensure that everything synced after 8 p.m. She added that two out of the four of these polling pads did not have the Wi-Fi turned on, which was very odd in her opinion because the pads were in guided access and settings cannot be accessed when in guided access. She explained that she and the County know about this issue and they will be working on a resolution. She added that they were one of three polling places in Anoka County that experienced this same issue.

Councilmember Musgrove added that she hopes this will be resolved by the General Election.

City Clerk Schmidt shared that Anoka County is looking at better options than the hotspots that are currently being used.

City Administrator Hagen asked if the issue was just with the poll pads.

City Clerk Schmidt explained that it was an issue with the poll pads connecting to the Wi-Fi.

City Administrator Hagen asked for clarification that the poll pads are not the poll tabulating machines.

City Clerk Schmidt confirmed that was correct and said that the poll pads are just for checking in.

City Administrator Hagen asked if there were to be something that was not working properly during the General Election, if it would be best if it were the poll pads.

City Clerk Schmidt mentioned that all of the DS200s worked at the end of the night and everything went to the County.

Councilmember Musgrove asked if this is why there was a delay in one of the precincts versus the other.

City Clerk Schmidt explained at that precinct, if the printer box is not completely flush, it will not be able to print.

Motion by Councilmember Woestehoff, seconded by Councilmember Specht, to accept and declare the results of the August 9, 2022 Ward 1 - Primary Election.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Acting Mayor Riley, Councilmembers Woestehoff, Specht, and Musgrove. Voting No: None.

## **5. MAYOR/COUNCIL/STAFF INPUT**

None.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilmember Musgrove, seconded by Councilmember Woestehoff, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Canvassing Board was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Brian Hagen  
City Administrator

ATTEST:

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Katie M. Schmidt  
Deputy City Clerk

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