

M I N U T E S

SPECIAL FREEPORT MUNICIPAL OFFICERS MEETING#22S-87

FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL - MEDIA CENTER - 10:00 A.M.

NOVEMBER 14, 1987

☐ Regular

☒ Special

<u>Roll Call of Municipal Officers</u>	<u>Present</u>
Robert Hartnett, Chairman, Desert Road	<u>X</u>
John Nelson, Vice-Chairman, Church Street	<u>X</u>
Edward Bonney, 21 Maple Avenue	<u>X</u>
William Grady, Elm Street Extension	<u>X</u>
Kirk Goddard, Mast Landing Road	X

Present at the Special Municipal Officers' Meeting were William Plouffe - Town of Freeport Attorney, Edward R. Campbell - Candidate, Tristine Smith - Attorney for Edward R. Campbell, John M.R. Paterson - Candidate, Martin Robles - Attorney for John Paterson, and Deputy Town Clerk - Vaughndella Curtis

Chairman Robert Hartnett announced that this Special Municipal Officers' Meeting had been called to order for the purpose of holding a recount hearing requested by Edward R. Campbell.

William Plouffe, Attorney for Freeport, gave a brief rundown on what would take place. A ballot inspection was conducted on November 7, 1987 and on November 10, 1987, Mr. Edward R. Campbell requested a ballot recount. This ballot recount was being held under Title 30 with some procedures being conducted under Title 21-A. All the ballots will be separated according to districts. Four tables have been set up with each table of counters representing one district only. Following are the tables and people present:

TABLE 1 - DISTRICT 1 - Cheryl Smith and MaryLou Halla - ballot clerks, Kirk Goddard - Municipal Officer, Sarah Beard Ainsworth - Paterson Agent, Margaret Pelletier - Campbell Agent.

TABLE 2 - DISTRICT 2 - Constance Coffin and Mary Kennedy - ballot clerks, William Grady - Municipal Officer, Hugh Phelps - Paterson Agent, Lorraine Thompson - Campbell Agent.

TABLE 3 - DISTRICT 3 - Kathryn Roy and Linda Cleaves - ballot clerks, Edward Bonney - Municipal Officer, Dorothy Maybury - Campbell Agent, Barbara Anderson - Paterson Agent.

TABLE 4 - DISTRICT 4 - Margaret Rutherford and Martha Brogan - ballot clerks, John Nelson - Municipal Officer, Ernestine Snow - Campbell Agent, Robert Anderson - Paterson Agent.

Basically, the ballots were sorted in groups of 50 ballots with any disputed or blank or write-in ballots being put aside.

Results of the recount were as follows:

Paterson: D1 222 (8 more votes were picked up from Nov. 3)
D2 358 (18 more votes were picked up)
D3 424 (1 vote was dropped)
D4 276 (1 vote was picked up)

making a total vote cast for Mr. Paterson 1,280 (26 more than originally counted)

Campbell: D1 264 (2 votes more were picked up)
D2 358 (12 votes more were picked up)
D3 206 (3 more votes were picked up)
D4 430 (4 more votes were picked up)

making a total vote cast for Mr. Campbell 1,258 (21 more than originally counted)

There were 22 questioned ballots

TOTAL VOTER BALLOTS CAST were 2,805 compared to 2,786 originally cast. This amounts to 54% of voter participation - originally it had been 53%.

Mr. Campbell did not wish to pursue the 22 questioned ballots and at this point conceded to Mr. Paterson. A Certificate of Election was issued to Mr. Paterson, properly signed by the Municipal Officers.

The Municipal Officers moved to adjourn the Meeting at 12:40 P.M.

Right after the Special Municipal Officers' Meeting, the Town Clerk swore Mr. John M.R. Paterson in as Councilor-At-Large to serve until 1990.

Respectfully submitted
Mary A. Prescott
Town Clerk