

**City Council Minutes
Special Meeting
October 8, 2024 ~ 5:00PM
City Hall, Delta Junction, Alaska**



CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / PRAYER

Mayor JW Musgrove called the meeting to order at 5:14pm.

Council members present: Deputy Mayor Mary LEITH, Pete HALLGREN,
Travis RIESNER, Lance STRICKLIN

Council members excused: Mayor Igor Zaremba, Michael Prestegard

Staff present: City Clerk Pat White

Public present: Five members from the community were present, including newly elected Stormie Mitchell.

CERTIFY ELECTION RESULTS

[§2.30.030(a) - The Council shall meet on the second Tuesday of the month in public session to receive the report of the Election Canvass Board. If, after considering said report, the Council determines that the election was validly held, such conclusion shall be declared and entered upon the minutes of the meeting together with the total number of votes cast for each candidate ...]

White reported:

- Ballots were counted between 8:00 and 9:00pm on October 1. They were recounted between 4:00 and 5:11pm on October 4. There were no absentee by-mail, no early ballots, no questioned ballots, and no spoiled ballots. Sixty-nine ballots were cast at the polls, equal to 7% of the 980 registered voters in the City precinct (050).
- Mary Leith received 50 votes for Seat A, a three-year term. There were 11 write-ins: Terry Ashbury, Jackie Becker, Caleb Bialik, Daniel Case, Alan Levinson, and Tim Webb received one vote each. Five votes were wasted on Deltana residents (3), a cartoon character (1), and a deceased famous person who was not registered in the City precinct (1).
- Stormie Mitchell received 35 votes for Seat B, a one-year term. There were 25 write-ins: Nickole Porter received 12, Daniel Case and Michael Phelan received two each, and Meloney Ashbury, Caleb Bialik, Sherry Heinbockel, Daniel Lewis, George Sandlin, and Rose Winters each received one vote. Three votes were not counted because two were not registered in the State of Alaska and one was for the deceased famous person.
- Lance Stricklin received 57 votes for Seat E, a three-year term. There were five write-ins: Terry Ashbury, Dave Becker, George Pursey, and Jennifer Smith each received one vote. One other vote was wasted on the deceased famous person who was not registered in the City precinct.

Motion: Hallgren moved to certify the 2024 election results as presented; Riesner seconded.

Motion passed on a roll call with four in attendance (Stricklin, Hallgren, Riesner, Leith).

SWEAR IN NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

[City Code §1.20.010 - All City officers, before taking office, shall affirm in writing that they will honestly, faithfully and impartially perform their duties.]

White administered the Oath of Office to Mary Leith, Stormie Mitchell, and Lance Stricklin.

RESTRUCTURE COUNCIL INTERESTS / REPORTING

Leith reported Council reporting would be postponed to October 15 when a full Council will likely be present.

ADJOURNMENT – 5:23pm

Mary Leith, Deputy Mayor

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Pat White, City Clerk

Approved: October 15, 2024