

**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 7, 2007**

**APPROVED BY
December 12, 2007
CITY COUNCIL**

The City of Bradenton City Council met in special session in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on November 7, 2007 at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Wayne Poston, Mayor; Vice Mayor and Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Bemis Smith Ward IV and Councilman Ward V James T. Golden.

City Officials: Carl Callahan, City Clerk and Treasurer; John Cumming, Public Works Director; William Lisch, City Attorney and Mark Souders, Fire Chief.

Press: Bradenton Herald

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.

CERTIFICATE OF CANVASSERS

“We, the undersigned, **Carl Callahan**, City Clerk, **Robert Sweat**, Supervisor of Elections and **William Lisch**, City Attorney in and for the City of Bradenton, do hereby certify that we met on the 6th day of November, 2007 and proceeded publicly to canvass the votes cast in the City of Bradenton election, held in said city on the 6th day of November, 2007. As shown by the returns on file in the Office of the Supervisor of Elections, we do hereby certify from said returns as follows:

The total number of votes cast in the race for mayor was 7409 of which Wayne H. Poston received a total of 3457 votes, 47%; Bill Johnson received a total of 895 votes, 12%; and Bill Evers received a total of 3057 votes, 41%.

The total number of votes cast in the race for City Council, Ward 5 was 7037 of which James T. Golden received a total of 3413 votes, 49% and Harold E. Byrd, Jr. received a total of 3624 votes, 51%, hereby declaring Harold E. Byrd, Jr. as receiving the highest number of votes.

Councilman Gallo was unopposed with no one challenging him in Ward 1.

Undersigned, Carl Callahan, Robert Sweat and William Lisch.”

Mr. Callahan requested approval of the tally of the votes and to proceed to memorialize the votes in the minutes of the meeting.

MOTION TO APPROVE to certify the count of the votes by the 2007 City Canvassers was made by Vice Mayor and Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Smith and carried 4-0 for approval.

Discussion: By law, the eligibility of eleven provisional ballots would need to be voted upon within three days of the election. A meeting was scheduled for Friday, November 9, 2007 to be held at the Supervisor of Elections Office for that purpose.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio CD recording of the meeting is available upon request.