

BOARD OF RECOUNT

November 16, 2011

1:30 PM

Chairman Shea called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: Alderman Shea, Arthur Beaudry, Richard Danais

Chairman Shea advised that the purpose of the meeting was to recount the votes cast for Alderman in Ward 10 and Ward 12 and requested that a motion be made to adopt the procedures for recounts. Copies of the procedures have been provided to the candidates and their representatives.

On a motion made by Arthur Beaudry, duly seconded by Richard Danais, it was voted to adopt the procedures for recounts.

Chairman Shea requested the City Clerk to begin the process.

City Clerk Matthew Normand advised that during the November 8, 2011 Municipal General Election, there were 634 votes cast for Phil Greazzo and 617 votes cast for Jane Beaulieu in the ward 10 aldermanic race according to the official return of votes submitted by ward 10 election officials. In the ward 12 aldermanic race, there were 578 votes cast for Patrick Arnold and 566 votes cast for Mark Nadzan according to the official return of votes submitted by ward 12 election officials. The election materials returned by both wards on November 8, 2011 will now be brought to the Aldermanic Chambers and a representative of each candidate is welcome to join City Clerk staff in retrieving these items from the vault.

The recount process ensued with representatives of Patrick Arnold and Mark Nadzan accompanying the City Clerk and Assistant City Clerk to the Archives vault. The representatives viewed the opening of the vault and the present state of election materials for wards 10 and 12. Sealed boxes containing all ballots returned from the respective wards were brought to the Aldermanic Chambers and opened in front of all representatives present. Teams of two City Clerk staff members assigned to each ward recount initiated counting with observers representing each candidate present.

Eight ballots in total were challenged by the observers; six ballots in ward 12 and two ballots in ward 10. These ballots were brought to the Board of Recount for a ruling and the results of those decisions were recorded appropriately. Two ballots were protested by the candidates; one by Attorney Soucy (Beaulieu) and one by Attorney Levasseur (Nadzan). The ballots were marked with a note to indicate the protestation and recorded for the proper candidate. The candidates were advised of their ability to appeal the decision of the Board of Recount to Superior Court.

Results of Ward 10 Alderman Race Recount

	Votes Tallied 11/8/2011	Recount Votes Tallied 11/16/2011
Jane Beaulieu	617	618
Phil J. Greazzo	634	635
Write-Ins for others	2	3
Blanks (Over/Under Votes)	43	41
Total	1296	1297

Results of Ward 12 Alderman Race Recount

	Votes Tallied 11/8/2011	Recount Votes Tallied 11/16/2011
Patrick Arnold	578	578
Mark Nadzan	566	567
Write-Ins for others	1	1
Blanks (Over/Under Votes)	43	61 (17 blank/uncast)
Total	1188	1190 (1207 with uncast)

Chairman Shea requested that the results of the recount be made known.

City Clerk Matthew Normand declared that after the recount that has occurred here today, it has been determined that there were 635 votes cast for Phil Greazzo and 618 votes cast for Jane Beaulieu in the ward 10 aldermanic race and Phil Greazzo is reaffirmed as the elected alderman in ward 10. In the ward 12 aldermanic race, there remained 578 votes cast for Patrick Arnold and 567 votes cast for Mark Nadzan. Patrick Arnold is reaffirmed as the elected alderman in ward 12.

On a motion of Richard Danais, duly seconded by Arthur Beaudry, it was voted to declare Phil Greazzo the elected alderman in ward 10 and Patrick Arnold the elected alderman in ward 12.

There being no further business, on motion of Richard Danais, duly seconded by Arthur Beaudry, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew Normand". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Clerk of Committee