

**MINUTES OF COUNTY BOARD OF CANVASSERS
RECOUNT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016**

DATE OF CANVASS: December 1 through December 6, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS: Jon Dolson, County Clerk
Anita Klein, Democrat Party
Daniel Jones, Republican Party

ALSO PRESENT: Jeannie Binsfeld, Deputy Clerk, Corporation Counsel Carl Buesing, Asst. Corporation Counsel Crystal Fieber, tabulators, and numerous observers from political parties and the press.

The Board of Canvass was called to order at 9:06 A.M. on December 1, 2016. The meeting was posted on November 29, 2016 at 6:15 P.M. in compliance with the open meeting law. The Board oversaw the recount of the 2016 presidential election.

The Canvass was conducted as follows:

County Clerk Dolson read names of the tabulators chosen to perform the recount. Due to the last minute nature of the recount, there was some miscommunication between the Clerk's office and volunteers who were not selected to participate in the recount effort.

County Clerk Dolson explained the recount process. Attorney Buesing offered further explanation of the process, as well as legal aspects.

Official representative of the candidate's campaigns were noted as: Paul Gruber – Donald Trump and Nanette Bulebosh – Hilary Clinton.

After Board discussion regarding write-in votes, Clerk Dolson moved to count scattering as a whole. Seconded by Board Member Jones. Motion carried.

Board member Klein moved to count ballots by hand. Seconded by Board Member Jones, Motion carried.

The first four municipality's ballots were transported to the counting room at 9:45 a.m. The recount commenced.

The following discrepancies were noted:

Town of Greenbush – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Herman – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Holland – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Lima –After all ballots were counted three times there were five extra votes for Donald Trump. Board member Klein moved not to count again and to accept the total. Clerk Dolson seconded. Motion carried.

Town of Lyndon – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Mitchell – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Mosel – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Plymouth – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Rhine – Machine totals were verified.

The recount was recessed for lunch at 12:00 P.M. and reconvened at 12:30 P.M.

Town of Russell – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Scott – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Sheboygan – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Sheboygan Falls – Machine totals were verified.

Town of Sherman – Machine totals were verified.

The recount recessed for the evening at 5:45 P.M.
The recount reconvened at 8:45 A.M on December 2, 2016.

Town of Wilson – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Adell – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Cascade – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Cedar Grove – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Elkhart Lake – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Glenbeulah – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Howards Grove – Machine totals were verified.

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:15 P.M. and reconvened at 12:50 P.M.

Village of Kohler – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Oostburg – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Random Lake – Machine totals were verified.

Village of Waldo – Machine totals were verified.

The recount recessed for the evening at 5:15 P.M.
The recount reconvened at 8:45 A.M on December 3, 2016

City of Plymouth –

District 1 – Machine totals were verified.

District 2 – Machine totals were verified.

District 3 – Machine totals were verified.

District 4 – Machine totals were verified.

The recount recessed for lunch at 11:30 A.M. and reconvened at 12:00 P.M.

City of Sheboygan Falls – Six unprocessed ballots were found in absentee envelopes. The votes were tallied in the hand count of ballots. Clerk Dolson moved to accept vote totals, seconded by Board Member Jones. Motion carried.

The recount recessed for the evening at 4:15 P.M.
The recount reconvened at 8:45 A.M. on December 5, 2016

City of Sheboygan --

Wards 1 and 4 --

Ward 1 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 4 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 2, 3, 11 and 12 --

Ward 2 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 3 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 11 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 12 -- Machine totals were verified.

County Board Chairman Wegner and County Administrator Payne entered the recount room to observe. Both addressed the tabulators briefly.

Wards 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 -

Ward 5 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 6 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 7 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 8 -- After all ballots had been counted, there was a difference of twelve ballots from what had been entered on the inspectors statement. The number of voters matched the number of ballots counted. According to the inspectors statement there were 3 large ballot jams. The ballots had been pulled from the machine and dropped in the bin. Clerk Dolson moved to accept the ballot total. Seconded by Board Member Jones. Motion carried.

Ward 9 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 10 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 13 and 14 --

Ward 13 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 14 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 15 and 21 --

Ward 15 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 21 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 16, 17 and 18 --

Ward 16 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 17 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 18--There were 4 less ballots than the number of voters. Three ballots were returned via email and were run through the machine as plain paper, not on a remade ballot as they should have been, therefore the machine did not tabulate the ballots. Another voter was given two numbers but one ballot, which accounts for the fourth ballot. Board member Klein moved to count the three emailed ballots and add the votes to the totals. Clerk Dolson seconded. Motion carried.

The recount recessed for the evening at 5:30 P.M.

The recount reconvened at 8:45 A.M. on December 6, 2016

Wards 19, 22 and 23 --

Ward 19 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 22 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 23 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 20 and 24 --

Ward 20 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 24 -- Machine totals were verified.

Wards 25 and 26 --

Ward 25 -- Machine totals were verified.

Ward 26 -- Machine totals were verified.

Changes to vote totals are listed by municipality below. These adjustments are due to human error, by the voter not properly marking the ballot so the ballot tabulator could detect the voter's choice. Voter intent was determined through the hand count.

Town of Herman	+1	Donald Trump
Town of Lima	+5	Donald Trump
Town of Lyndon	+1	Donald Trump
Town of Plymouth	+3	Evan McMullin
Town of Rhine	+1	Donald Trump
	-1	Hillary Clinton
Town of Scott	-1	Donald Trump
	+1	Hillary Clinton
Town of Sheboygan	-3	Donald Trump
	-14	Hillary Clinton
	+1	Gary Johnson
	+1	Jill Stein
Town of Sherman	+2	Donald Trump
	-1	Hillary Clinton
	-1	Gary Johnson
Village of Cedar Grove	+5	Donald Trump
	-1	Hillary Clinton
City of Plymouth		
District 1	-1	Donald Trump
District 2	+1	Donald Trump
District 3	+1	Donald Trump
	+7	Hillary Clinton
District 4	+14	Donald Trump
	+9	Hillary Clinton
	+1	Gary Johnson
City of Sheboygan		
Ward 1	+1	Donald Trump
	+1	Hillary Clinton
	+1	Jill Stein
Ward 2	+1	Donald Trump
	+2	Darrell Castle
Ward 3	+1	Donald Trump
Ward 4	-1	Donald Trump
	+5	Hillary Clinton
	+1	Jill Stein
Ward 5	+1	Hillary Clinton
Ward 8	+10	Donald Trump
	+19	Hillary Clinton
Ward 10	+9	Donald Trump
	+8	Hillary Clinton
	+2	Gary Johnson
Ward 11	+1	Donald Trump
	-1	Hillary Clinton
Ward 12	+1	Evan McMullin
Ward 13	+1	Hillary Clinton
Ward 14	+1	Donald Trump
	+2	Hillary Clinton

Ward 17	+3 Hillary Clinton
Ward 18	+3 Hillary Clinton
Ward 19	+1 Hillary Clinton
Ward 20	-1 Donald Trump
Ward 22	+1 Donald Trump -1 Hillary Clinton
Ward 25	-1 Hillary Clinton -1 Gary Johnson

City of Sheboygan Falls

District 1	+3 Donald Trump +1 Hillary Clinton
District 2	+2 Donald Trump +1 Hillary Clinton
District 3	+2 Donald Trump +1 Hillary Clinton

The recount adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

The Board of Canvass reconvened at 4:45 P.M., December 9, 2016 to certify the results of the recount.

The Board of Canvass adjourned at 5:15 P.M.

This concluded the Recount of the November 8, 2016 Presidential Election.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jeannie S. Binsfeld, Deputy Clerk