

**MEETING MINUTES
CANVASS AUGUST 28, 2018 ELECTION RESULTS**

SEPTEMBER 04, 2018

Councilmembers of the City Council of the City of Phenix City, Alabama, met in a called meeting, for the purpose of canvassing the August 28, 2018 Board of Education Referendum Election results at 12:00 Noon, EDT, in the Council Chambers, 1111 Broad Street, Phenix City, Alabama. On roll call the following members answered present: Councilmember Arthur L. Day, Councilmember Vickey Carter Johnson, Councilmember Steve Bailey, Councilmember R. Griff Gordy, and Mayor Eddie N. Lowe. Also present were City Manager Wallace B. Hunter, City Attorney James P. Graham, Jr., and City Clerk Melony Lee.

Mayor Lowe opened Envelope 9 containing the election results for the following Poll locations:

Location	Total Votes	Yes	No	Under Vote
Roy Martin Center	456	311	145	0
C Club Gym	169	130	38	1
Spencer Recreation Center	301	271	30	0
Absentee	4	3	1	0

Mayor Lowe reviewed the three Provisional Ballots: One in Lee County and two in Russell County.

Mayor Lowe advised the Lee County voter's name did not appear on the Lee County Voter's List. City Clerk Melony Lee called the Lee County Board of Registrars and they verified the voter was registered; however they did not show the address as being inside the Phenix City city limits. The Phenix City Engineering Department verified the property was annexed into Phenix City in 1990. When presented with the annexation ordinance, the Lee County Board of Registrars corrected their mistake and now the voter is listed as inside the Phenix City city

limits. The Lee County Board of Registrars recommended counting the vote. Mayor and Council agreed to count the vote. Mayor Lowe opened the envelope and announced the vote as “No”.

Mayor Lowe called upon Police Chief Ray Smith. Chief Smith advised that Russell County would not certify or decertify the votes. Chief Smith advised that one voter lives outside the city limits and one voter lives inside the city in District One; however, both voters cast their ballots in District Two. Chief Smith recommended disqualifying the votes as neither live in District Two. Mayor and Council agreed to disqualify both votes.

Mayor Lowe presented a Resolution canvassing the election results.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-225

Councilmember Day moved to approve the resolution, which motion was seconded by Councilmember Bailey. Upon said motion being put to a vote, the following vote was recorded: YEAS: Councilmembers Day, Johnson, Bailey, Gordy, and Mayor Lowe. NAYS: None. ABSTAINS: None. The motion carried.

Assistant City Manager/Utilities Director Stephen Smith discussed the school system tax. There was a discussion of the funds being absorbed by the school system to pay the elected school board.

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned.