## The City of WORCESTER

#### **City Clerk Department**

Nikolin Vangjeli, City Clerk Stephen A.J. Pottle, Deputy City Clerk I Clare M. Robbins, Deputy City Clerk II

## BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup> AT 5:30PM LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER, CITY HALL

Call to Order by the Chairperson

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of the Minutes of the January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Meetings/Recounts

#### **Board of Election Commissioners Regular Agenda:**

- 1. Annual Organization according to the Worcester Home Rule Charter, Section 7-1 (c).
  - a. Election of Chair
  - b. Election of Secretary
  - c. Notice of Appointment of Vice Chair
- 2. Feedback from the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary-Election Day
- 3. Feedback from the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary- Early Voting
- 4. Update on the 2024 State Election Nomination Paper Process
- 5. Preparation for the September 3, 2024 State Primary
- 6. Update on Polling locations for 2024 State Election Season
- 7. Update on Early Voting for 2024 State Election Season
  - i. September 3, 2024, State Primary Early Voting Schedule
  - ii. November 5, 2024, State Election Early Voting Schedule

#### **Adjournment:**

**Next Meeting Date:** 

**Board of Election, Commissioners' Meeting Minutes** 

**Date: 1/10/24** 

**Location: Levi Lincoln Chamber** 

Members Present: Kimberley Vanderspek, Winifred Octave, John DiCicco,

and Paul Franco.

**City Officials Present: Clare Robbins** 

Meeting was called to order at 5:30

Pledge of Alliance was said.

First Business Item: Presidental primary is March  $5^{th}$  – Feb  $24^{th}$  is last day to register. All polling locations are confirmed (same as last election). Training dates for poll workers are set. City census to be mailed in the next few weeks.

Second Business Item: Still recruiting poll workers – Applications are on the City website or call/visit City Clerk Office.

Third Business Item: Deadline for vote-by-mail application for March 5<sup>th</sup> Presidential Primary is Feb 27<sup>th</sup> by 5 pm. May opt for all or some of the upcoming elections in 2024.

Fourth Business Item: Early in-person voting for March  $5^{th}$  Presidential Primary is Sat Feb  $24^{th}$  to Friday March  $1^{st}$  at the Worcester Public Library. Free parking and police on-site. Central tabulation recommended on Sat March  $2^{nd}-8$  am to 8 pm and Sunday March  $3^{rd}$ - if needed. Commission is in agreement.

Fifth Business Item: State Primary set for Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> and State Election set for Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

Next Meeting scheduled for - Wednesday March 20th at 5:30 pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:50 pm

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# BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES: FRIDAY, MARCH 15th, 2024 LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER, CITY HALL

Members Present: Kimberley Vanderspek, Winifred Octave, and Cecilio Gonzalez

City Officials Present: City Clerk Niko Vangjeli and Deputy City Clerk Clare Robbins

Meeting was called to order at 12:00pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

First Business Item: Candidate Lisa K. Mair, 31 Ball Hill Road, Berlin has requested a hand recount of all the Republican ballots cast at the Presidential Primary Election held on March 5, 2024 for office of Republican Sate Committee Woman, First Worcester District.

Election Day and Early Voting ballots were transported to the Levi Lincoln Chamber.

Republican ballots were blocked into packs of fifty (50) ballots.

Election Day and Early Voting ballots were transported back to secure location.

City Clerk Niko Vangjeli provided an overview of recount procedures to each campaign.

Adjournment: 3:41pm



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# BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES: SUNDAY, MARCH 17th, 2024, 9:00AM LEVI LINCOLN CHAMBER, CITY HALL

**Members Present:** Kimberley Vanderspek, Winifred Octave, Paul Franco, and Cecilio Gonzalez. John DiCicco arrived at 1:00pm.

City Officials Present: City Clerk Niko Vangjeli, Deputy City Clerk Andrew James Pottle, and Deputy City Clerk Clare Robbins

Meeting was called to order at 9:24am.

Pledge of Allegiance was said.

First Business Item: Candidate Lisa K. Mair, 31 Ball Hill Road, Berlin has requested a hand recount of all the Republican ballots cast at the Presidential Primary Election held on March 5, 2024 for office of Republican Sate Committee Woman, First Worcester District.

- a. Ballots were transported to the recount location.

  Recount commenced in the Levi Lincoln Chamber.
- b. Republican Provisional Ballots cast in the Republican, State Committee Woman, First Worcester District were reviewed by the Board of Election Commissioners.
- c. Absentee and Early vote by mail ballots rejected within the Republican, Sate Committee Woman, First Worcester District race were reviewed by the Board of Election Commissioners.



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Recount results were then tabulated and presented to the observers and the candidates. Please see attached results. The next meeting, originally scheduled for Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm was cancelled, with a new meeting date to be announced.

Adjournment: 4:12pm.

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth Elections Division

#### **Certification of Recount Results**

I certify that all ballots cast for Republican State Committee Woman in the 1<sup>st</sup> Worcester Senate District Senate District for **Worcester** were recounted on **March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024** and that the following amended return of votes is correct.

Election Official: Value Veryth Date: March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Please fax (617-742-3238) or email (elections@sec.state.ma.us) any amended results to the Elections Division and then follow with hard copy via the mail:

Elections Division
One Ashburton Place
Room 1705
Boston, MA 02108

#### Name of City or Town: Worcester

Ward/Precinct: All Precincts

Candidate	Original Tally	New Tally
Lisa K. Mair	1,122	1,121
Joanne E. Powell	2,463	2,469
All others	34	23
Blanks	1,075	1,081
Total Votes Cast	4,694	4,694

SUMMARY REPORT

RECOUNT RESULTS 03/17/2024 PRES. PRIMARY 03/05/2024 TOTAL REPUBLICAN REPORT-EL45 PAGE 001

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VOTES PERCENT

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LISA K. MAIR	1,121	31.03
JOANNE E. POWELL	2,469	68.34
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Blank Votes	1,081	

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### RECOUNT RULES AND REGULATIONS WORCESTER BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

In order to assure an orderly recount, the following rules will be in effect:

- The only people who will be allowed to handle ballots and other election materials are recount workers and the members of the Worcester Election Commission. While observers/ candidate representatives may ask for a closer look, they may not touch the ballots or other election materials.
- Disorderly conduct and/or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated. Anyone creating a disturbance shall be warned once, then ejected and not allowed to return.
- Observers/ candidate representatives may challenge a decision of the recount workers as to how to count a particular ballot by stating the words "I object" or similar statement. Otherwise, agents must be silent to allow recount workers to count ballots without distraction. An election official will take the ballots which are the subject of objections to the Board of Election Commissioners for final determination.
- Only the candidate or their attorney may present arguments to the Board of Election Commissioners regarding ballots to which objection is raised during the counting process.
- Decisions of the Board of Election Commissioners on any protested ballots will be final.
- Cell phone use will not be permitted by recount workers or observers to avoid distraction.

- No food or drink allowed at the recount station. Beverages must be on the ground if needed.
- No audio/visual recording or photography allowed in the recount area.

Be advised that only authorized persons will be permitted to enter the recount area. The general public may observe the recount from outside of the recount area.

#### **Important Deadlines**

Deadlines are at 5 p.m. unless otherwise noted. See your Candidate's Guide for deadlines relating to objections, withdrawals, and recounts.

#### **District & County Candidates**

Event	Date
Party enrollment deadline for candidates	Tuesday, February 27, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to local election offices	Tuesday, April 30, 2024
Deadline for local election officials to complete certification of nomination papers	Tuesday, May 21, 2024
Deadline for candidates to submit any request for a review of uncertified signatures	Thursday, May 23, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to Elections Division	Tuesday, May 28, 2024

#### **Federal Party Candidates**

Event	Date
Party enrollment deadline for candidates	Tuesday, March 5, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to local election offices	Tuesday, May 7, 2024
Deadline for local election officials to complete certification of nomination papers	Tuesday, May 28, 2024
Deadline for candidates to submit any request for a review of uncertified signatures	Thursday, May 30, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to Elections Division	Tuesday, June 4, 2024

#### **Federal Non-Party Candidates**

Event	Date
Deadline for candidates to un-enroll from a party	Tuesday, March 5, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to local election offices	Tuesday, July 30, 2024
Deadline for local election officials to complete certification of nomination papers	Tuesday, August 20, 2024
Deadline for candidates to submit any request for a review of uncertified signatures	Thursday, August 22, 2024
Deadline to submit nomination papers to Elections Division	Tuesday, August 27, 2024

		2024 State Election Polling Locations	POLLING LOCATIONS			
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Ward	Precinct	Location:	Address	City	State	Code
1	1	Congregation Beth Israel, social hall	15 Jamesbury Drive	Worcester	MA	01609
1	2	Nelson Place Elem. School Gym	35 Nelson Place	Worcester	MA	01605
		Assumption University, La Maison				
1	3	Francais	500 Salisbury Street	Worcester	MA	01609
1	4	Congregation Beth Israel, social hall	15 Jamesbury Drive	Worcester	MA	01609
1	5	Market 32	72 Pullman Street	Worcester	MA	01606
1	6	Unitarian Universalist Church, hall	90 Holden Street	Worcester	MA	01606
2	1	Salem Covenant Church, hall	215 Mountain Street East	Worcester	MA	01606
2	2	Zion Lutheran Hall	41 Whitmarsh Ave	Worcester	MA	01606
2	3	Burncoat High School, Gym	179 Burncoat St.	Worcester	MA	01605
2	4	Lincoln Village Residents Alliance	116 Country Club Blvd	Worcester	MA	01605
2	5	Great Brook Valley Multipurpose Center	180 Constitution Avenue	Worcester	MA	01605
2	6	Salem Covenant Church, hall	215 Mountain Street East	Worcester	MA	01606
2	6A	Salem Covenant Church, hall	215 Mountain Street East	Worcester	MA	01606
			1 Officer Manny Familia			
3	1	Worcester Technical High School, Gym	Way	Worcester	MA	01604
3	2	Belmont Apartments, community room	40 Belmont Street	Worcester	MA	01605
3	3	Worcester Center for Crafts	25 Sagamore Road	Worcester	MA	01609
3	3A	Worcester Center for Crafts	25 Sagamore Road	Worcester	MA	01609
			1 Officer Manny Familia			
3	4	Worcester Technical High School, Gym	Way	Worcester	MA	01604
3	5	Living Word Church	30 Tyler Prentice Road	Worcester	MA	01605
3	5A	Living Word Church	30 Tyler Prentice Road	Worcester	MA	01605
3	6	Burncoat High School, Gym	179 Burncoat St.	Worcester	MA	01605
4	1	Friendly House, Gym	36 Wall Street	Worcester	MA	01604
4	2	American Legion East Side Post	326 Plantation Street	Worcester	MA	01604
4	2A	American Legion East Side Post	326 Plantation Street	Worcester	MA	01604
4	2B	American Legion East Side Post	326 Plantation Street	Worcester	MA	01604

4	3	Public Library, Saxe Room	3 Salem Street	Worcester	MA	01608
4	4	Mt. Carmel Apartments	50 Shrewsbury Street	Worcester	MA	01604
4	5	Lincoln Park Tower, community room	11 Lake Avenue	Worcester	MA	01604
4	6	North High School, Gym	140 Harrington Way	Worcester	MA	01604
5	1	Addison Apartments, community room	6 Addison Street	Worcester	MA	01604
5	2	North High School, Gym	140 Harrington Way	Worcester	MA	01604
5	3	Lake Park Community House	300 Lake Avenue	Worcester	MA	01604
5	4	Massachusetts Audubon Society, Learning Center	414 Massasoit Road	Worcester	MA	01604
5	5	Massachusetts Audubon Society, Visitor Center	414 Massasoit Road	Worcester	MA	01604
5	6	Our Lady of Loreto	33 Massasoit Rd	Worcester	MA	01604
6	1	Worcester Senior Center, Lunch Room	128 Providence Street	Worcester	MA	01604
6	2	Worcester Senior Center, Lunch Room	128 Providence Street	Worcester	MA	01604
6	3	Blackstone Heritage Corridor	3 Paul Clancy Way	Worcester	MA	01607
6	4	Saint Matthews Church	695 Southbridge Street	Worcester	MA	01610
6	5	Blackstone Heritage Corridor	3 Paul Clancy Way	Worcester	MA	01607
6	6	Emanuel Lutheran Church	200 Greenwood Street	Worcester	MA	01607
7	1	Beaver Brook Community Building	15 Mann Street	Worcester	MA	01602
7	2	Coes Pond Village	39 First Street	Worcester	MA	01602
7	3	Stearns Tavern	140 Mill Street	Worcester	MA	01602
7	4	Shaw's Supermarket	68 Stafford Street	Worcester	MA	01603
7	5	Hadwen Park Congregational Church	6 Clover Street	Worcester	MA	01603
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7	6	Shaw's Supermarket	68 Stafford Street	Worcester	MA	01603
8	1	Worcester Senior Center, Lunch Room	128 Providence Street	Worcester	MA	01604
8	2	Saint Peter's Church, hall	929 Main Street	Worcester	MA	01610
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		Webster Square Towers, community				
8	4	room	1050 Main Street	Worcester	MA	01603
8	5	South Worc. Neighborhood Center	47 Camp Street	Worcester	MA	01603

8	6	Saint Matthews Church	695 Southbridge Street	Worcester	MA	01610
9	1	Blessed Sacrament: Phelan Center, Gym	551 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01602
9	2	Blessed Sacrament: Phelan Center, Gym	551 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01602
		Christ the King Catholic Church, social				
9	3	hall	1052 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01602
		Worcester Seventh-day Adventist				
9	4	Church	2 Airport Drive	Worcester	MA	01602
9	5	Congregation Beth Israel, social hall	15 Jamesbury Drive	Worcester	MA	01609
		Christ the King Catholic Church, social				
9	6	hall	1052 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01602
10	1	Order of Ahepa Lodge	68 Cedar Street	Worcester	MA	01609
10	2	Order of Ahepa Lodge	68 Cedar Street	Worcester	MA	01609
		Murray Avenue Apartments, community				
10	3	room	50 Murray Avenue	Worcester	MA	01610
10	4	Elm Park Tower, community room	425 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01609
10	4A	Elm Park Tower, community room	425 Pleasant Street	Worcester	MA	01609
10	5	Dept. of Inspectional Services	25 Meade Street	Worcester	MA	01610
10	6	YMCA	766 Main Street	Worcester	MA	01610

# September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 State Primaries n-person Early Voting Schedule

If you are registered to vote in the City of Worcester, you may take advantage of Early Voting Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday, August 30<sup>th</sup>.

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Date	Time	Location
Saturday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 24th	5:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
8.4.1		Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Sunday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
8	•	Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Monday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 26 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
8	•	Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Tuesday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 27th	7:00pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
		Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Wednesday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
8	•	Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Thursday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 29th	7:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
8	•	Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot
Friday	9:00 am to	Worcester Public Library, Saxe Room
August 30 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	3 Salem Square, Worcester, MA 01608
9		Validated parking is available in the Library Parking Lot

For more information visit www.worcesterma.gov.