

Synopsis of Telephone Interview With Kim Wayte,
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In Green Bay, on Election night, Kim was in charge of City Hall, Jamie Fuge was in charge of Central Count on Nov. 3. On the first day of early voting, there were lots of people. Kim Teske went out on family leave at the end of October. She didn't agree with putting Central Count at TI center. They did it because they got grant money to pay for it. In the past, they'd set up and do the Central Count at City Hall.

Nov. 3:

Steve Grenier, public works employee and his 21 year old daughter were trained and sworn in properly, they were operating the high speed machine. There were also 4-5 DS 200 machines. You could estimate how long it was going to take to count all the ballots based on the speed of the machines, and since they were using the 450 machine mostly, it was going to take 7-8 hours. Community police officers were present at Central Count. There are 47 wards in Green Bay and there were 32,000 absentee ballots to be counted. They were done there at around 4:45-5:00 a.m.

Jamie in charge of curing ballots. There were lots of ballots that needed reconstruction. The ballot opener used kept cutting the ballots. They would reconstruct the ballots even though what they did in the past is put some tape on them & run them through the machine. Reconstruct means rewrite another ballot copying from the torn one and then feed it through. Damaged ones supposed to go in a special envelope. The inspectors' statements would have the details.

Kim didn't want Spitzer-Rubenstein in the clerk's office. They received complaints about Spitzer-Rubensgtein, so they did a conference call with WEC about it. She didn't know what time. She didn't interact with Spitzer-Rubenstein at all.

She said each person in the clerk's office got training and a FIDO key, activated by a finger print. She said people shared logins and passwords, because some people know how to input and some didn't know so well. Jamie had a computer with access to Wisvote.

City hires city employees overtime to work the election in terms of delivering ballots, moving equipment, clean up, etc. They are from Dept. of Public Works and/or Parks & Rec. mostly. When asked specifically about wheeling out the 450 machine at the end of the night, she didn't do it (Rex had said he saw her doing that). If a female were doing that, it was probably Diana, Finance Director. Jamie was also there at the end of the night. Kim said she wasn't there when that happened. She had taken the drives and other info to City Hall to do reporting of votes, etc.

Explanation of Ward 1/Ward 2 Issue:

There were 19 people registered to vote in Ward 1. It's a very small ward and since both ward 1 & 2 were voting in the same polling place, some people were given ward 2 ballots. In the end, they balanced, the over in 1 offset under in 2.

Have to use ES&S techniques to close out DS 200 machines. After the vote, clerk's office audits 2 or 3 wards. It takes around 1 ½ days to audit.

In April 2020, certain processes were changed. The ID number for voters is different than the number that is printed on absentee ballots.