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## **Every Vote Counts Pech Wins Recount for City Council Seat by a Draw of the Cards**

(Oshkosh, WI.) Tom Pech Jr. wins Oshkosh City Council seat over Jef Hall after a draw of the cards today. This was the first time in documented Oshkosh history that an election was decided by a tiebreaker.

Unofficial election night results on April 5th gave Pech a 14 vote lead over Hall. Hall then requested a recount. On the sixth and final day of a recount of the votes the two candidates were tied. Both Pech and Hall had a total of 5,490 votes.

As specified by Wisconsin statute 5.01(4) when an election results in a tie the winner shall be chosen by lot. The mutually agreed upon tiebreaker was a draw of the cards. Pech drew a queen of spades, while Hall pulled a three of spades giving Pech the win.

Both candidates praised the work of City Clerk Pam Ubrig, the Board of Canvas, and election tabulators. They were also complimentary of each other for the civility that was maintained throughout the recount process. "Every vote counts, as we saw here today," Pech said. "Your vote truly does matter."

Video of the tiebreaker can be found at [www.OshkoshCommunityMedia.org](http://www.OshkoshCommunityMedia.org). The clip can be found on the bottom right hand side of the page.

If you would like more information on the recount process, please contact City Clerk Pam Ubrig at (920) 236-5011. If you would like to schedule an interview with Tom Pech or Jef Hall, please contact Communications Coordinator Dean Leisgang at (920) 236-5269.

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