OSWEGO COUNTY	William L	Owens	Dede Scozz	Dede Scozzafava Doug		Hoffman	Votes Counted
Totals - Oswego County	11,000	49%	950	4%	12,748	56%	22,603



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ELECTION NIGHT TOTALS:

	Owens	Hoffman	Scozzafava		
Oswego	10,382	10,882	1,339		

Unofficial Results. Not including absentee ballots.

Source: Watertown Daily Times, Wednesday, November 4, 2009.

NOTES:

- Problems with the reporting of numbers on election night led the Oswego County Board of Elections to remove the results from its web site on Wednesday, the day after the election.
- 2. On Election Night, a total of 24 districts did not report results, including some in Oswego, Madison, and Oneida counties.
- In Oswego County, where Hoffman was reported to lead by only 500 votes (exactly) with 93% of the precincts reporting on Election Night, inspectors found that Hoffman actually won by 1,748 votes – 12,748 to 11,000 (exactly) – and that Scozzafava had received only 950 votes.
- The previous count had been 10,882 for Hoffman, 10,382 for Owens, and 1,339 votes for 4. Scozzafava. Thus the recanvass resulted in a net gain of 1,866 votes for Hoffman, a net gain of 618 votes for Owens, and a net loss of 389 votes for Scozzafava – and an increase of 1,248 votes in Hoffman's countywide margin of victory.
- Because Oswego County has not released their precinct results, whether unofficial or official, we do not know if Hoffman received very few votes or zero votes in the precincts with the false numbers; but we do know, from the countywide comparisons posted online by The Valley News, that about 389 of his votes, more or less, had gone to Scozzafava.
- However, even this does not account for the entire discrepancy, because if these votes are deducted from the adjustments resulting from the recanvass, Hoffman still has a net gain of 1,477 votes to 618 for Owens, a very high ratio of 2.39 to 1, compared to his countywide ratio, after the recanvass, of 1.16 to 1. This can only be explained if Hoffman was also losing votes to Owens. probably on the order of 350 votes, through false vote counting on Election Night, and if these votes were restored to Hoffman during the recanvassing.

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Note that the number of votes counted is reported as 22,603 on the spreadsheet, but the sum total for the three candidates is 24,698. This is a 2,095-vote discrepancy. The vote counts for the three candidates perfectly match the Valley News article cited above. The source of the lower number of 22,603 votes, apparently, was the Election Night total and had not been updated.

On Election Night, as reported at 11:50 P.M. by Irene Jay Liu in the Albany Times-Union, and as reported in print the next day in the Watertown Daily Times, there were 22,603 votes counted for the three candidates (see above).

According to the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, the vote count for Oswego County is now 11,534 for Owens and 13,292 for Hoffman, with no count given for Scozzafava. This would amount to a gain of 534 votes for Owens and 544 for Hoffman – 1078 votes between them.

All of these numbers should be viewed in light of a statements made by Oswego County Democratic Elections Commissioner William Scriber, as reported in the Palladium-Times.

Scribner said: "No votes changed from election night, to election morning, to the day after, right up to today." NOTE: Hoffman's reported lead of 500 votes on Election Night became 1,748 votes a few days later, so Scribner's statement, reported on November 20th, is false, which is rather disconcerting to hear from an elections official.

According to Scriber, there are 1,145 absentee ballots that were received in Oswego County. As of 2 p.m., Thursday (November 20th), 668 had been counted; Hoffman received 291 of those votes, while Owens received 244. NOTE: For Scribner's numbers to be correct, 133 votes from this first batch of 668 ballots must have been counted for Scozzafava or for no candidate at all.

"Hoffman isn't getting enough votes out of this county to switch the results of any election," Scriber said. NOTE: That might be true, but it doesn't mean the count is true and correct.

http://www.palltimes.com/articles/2009/11/20/news/doc4b05e587e0734689167772.txt

It is quite impossible for the numbers of both the Adirondack Daily Enterprise and William Scriber to be correct, as this would require that the last 477 absentee ballots (1,145 minus 668) were counted as follows: Owens = 290 (534 minus 244); Hoffman = 253 (544 minus 291). Here is where the comparison breaks down. If there were 1,145 absentee ballots, as stated by Scriber, and Owens and Hoffman got 1,078 between them, as derived by simple subtraction based upon data from the Adirondack Daily Enterprise, then only 67 absentee ballots were cast for Scozzafava or left "blank." Not only is this number considerably lower than the 133 such ballots in the first batch of absentees counted, but this number is simply not credible considering that Scozzafava was still a viable candidate in a three-way race when most of these absentee ballots were cast.

Oswego County needs to be audited.