Atchison Commission race too close to call

(KAIR)--Voters went to the polls Tuesday to determine the outcome of an Atchison City Commission contest that saw seven candidates vying for three open seats. By the time the ballots were tabulated Tuesday night, the outcome was a tight race, with the numbers too close to call in deciding a victory.

While newcomer Shawn Rizza and incumbent Dr. Allen Reavis, who currently serves as City Mayor, easily won, gaining 681 and 594 votes respectively, it's too early to say who will fill the third seat.

That comes as incumbent David Hausmann trails newcomer Floyd "Jay" Robinson by one vote, 467 to 466.

With provisional ballots still in play, a clear winner can't be declared until the canvas of the votes.

That's set to happen Monday morning at 9:00 at the Atchison County Courthouse.

Election results in all races remain unofficial until a canvas is conducted.

Unseated by the outcome of Tuesday's vote was longtime City Commissioner Larry Purcell, while George Ross Jr. and Michael Hein were also defeated.

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