



MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
INDUCTION CEREMONY
OCTOBER 13, 1999 AT 8:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held October 13, 1999, at 8:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance

The following Council members and staff were in attendance:

Mayor George F. Vaughn, Jr.
Vice Mayor Thomas A. Tankersley
Councilor Edward S. Jones
Councilor Ronald D. Patronik
Councilor Robert D. Shimp
City Manager Richard A. Linn
Acting City Clerk Lisa Volpe
Assistant to the City Manager Laura Raccina

Order call and Pledge

The Mayor called the special meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and announced that the purpose of the meeting was to administer the Oaths of Office, and elect a Vice-Mayor.

Mayor Vaughn thanked Councilor Shimp and Patronik for their successful campaign and re-election to the City Council of Neptune Beach. Mayor Vaughn recognized the level of voter participation in the community, and stated that 78% of the citizens chose to remain silent by not voting and 15% of the registered voters determined the winners. Mayor Vaughn also stated that he looked forward to working with the new Council.

Oaths of Office

OATHS OF OFFICE: Acting City Clerk Lisa Volpe administered the Oath of Office to Councilor-Elect Ronald Patronik and Councilor-Elect Robert Shimp, whereupon they each, respectively, assumed the duties of their elected office.

Certificate of Election

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION: Acting City Clerk Lisa Volpe offered congratulations to Councilors Patronik and Shimp; then presented each with a Certificate of Election.

Election of Vice- Mayor

ELECTION OF VICE-MAYOR: Pursuant to Section 2.04(b), City Charter, the Mayor opened the floor for nominations for Vice Mayor.

Councilor Patronik stated that being Vice-Mayor was an honor and that he would like to see as many people as possible have the opportunity to have the position of Vice-Mayor. Patronik commended Vice-Mayor Tankersley for doing an outstanding job serving as Vice-Mayor in the past two years and suggested that someone else be afforded the opportunity to be Vice-Mayor and nominated Councilor Ed Jones.

Moved by Patronik, seconded by Shimp.

Motion: **TO NOMINATE AND ELECT COUNCILOR EDWARD S. JONES AS VICE-MAYOR.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Comments from the new Councilors

COMMENTS FROM THE NEW COUNCILORS: The new Council Members were given the opportunity to address the citizens of Neptune Beach.

Councilor Patronik stated that he felt very fortunate and gratified to have been re-elected, that people had enough faith in him to serve the city well and he looked forward to serving on the council the next three years.

Councilor Shimp thanked the citizens of the community and stated that he felt humble that he had been re-elected and that he would strive for the next three years to work together and form some good ideas for the city placing the city first.

Comments from the public

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: The floor was opened to the public to address the new Council Members.

City Manager Linn congratulated the newly elected Councilors and stated that he looked forward to working with them.

Councilor Tankersley congratulated the newly elected Councilors and stated that he looked forward to his last year as Councilor, and working together as a Council by agreeing to disagree.

Vice-Mayor Jones stated that the citizens of Neptune Beach had chosen two people that they wanted to represent them, and that he chooses to work with the citizens chosen representatives in a very professional and courteous manner and he challenged each Councilor to do the same. Vice-Mayor Jones also thanked the Council for their confidence in electing him the new Vice-Mayor.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

George F. Vaughn, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Volpe, Acting City Clerk

Approved: _____