



MINUTES
WORKSHOP CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 9, 2006, AT 6:30 P.M.
CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Workshop Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held December 19, 2005 at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance:

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Richard A. Brown
Vice Mayor Harriet Pruette
Councilor Eric Pardee
Councilor John Weldon
City Attorney Christopher White
City Manager Jim Jarboe
City Clerk Lisa Volpe, CMC

STAFF:

Community Development Director Jason Cleghorn
Sergeant at Arms Officer Ryan Hall
Director of Finance Steve Ramsey
Director of Public Services Leon Smith
Deputy City Clerk Karla Strait, CMC

Call to Order/Roll Call Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council Seat
Vacancy

DISCUSSION – COUNCIL SEAT 4 VACANCY SELECTION: Mayor Brown stated he was pleased that eleven resumes were submitted for consideration for the council seat vacancy. The Council now needed to determine the selection process and schedule a special meeting to interview and select a candidate.

City Manager Jarboe received a total of thirteen questions from Council members for each applicant to respond to in writing. Council reviewed the questions and agreed on six.

Discussion ensued regarding the selection process.

Councilor Weldon suggested after reviewing the written responses and interviewing the candidates that each council member rank their choices 1 though 11.

Mayor Brown suggested using a scale of 1 to 5 for each candidate and selecting the one with the highest amount of points.

Councilor Weldon suggested allowing a one week period for applicants to respond to the questions and allowing Council a week to review them. At the special meeting applicants could have a three minute period to introduce themselves and make a

statement.

City Clerk Lisa Volpe stated she would send out the questions for the applicants tomorrow, Tuesday, January 10, 2006 with a January 17, 2006, 12:00 p.m. deadline for responses. She suggested the workshop meeting be moved from January 23, 2006 to January 30, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. and the special meeting for interviewing, selecting and swearing in of the new councilor be held on January 23, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. This would allow the new councilor to take part in the workshop discussion and knowledgeably vote at the February regular council meeting

Consensus: **RESPONSES TO SIX QUESTIONS TO BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 17, 2006 AT 12:00 P.M.; TO RANK THE CANDIDATES ON A SCALE OF 1 TO 5; TO HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON JANUARY 23, 2006 AT 6:30 P.M. TO INTERVIEW, SELECT AND SWEAR IN THE NEW COUNCILOR; TO MOVE THE JANUARY WORKSHOP MEETING TO JANUARY 30, 2006 AT 7:00 P.M.**

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Richard A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Lisa Volpe, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____