



MINUTES
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2010, 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 December 7, 2010, 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 Harriet Pruette
Vice Mayor John Weldon
Councilor Eric Pardee
Councilor Kara Tucker
City Attorney Chris White
City Manager Jim Jarboe
City Clerk Lisa Volpe, CMC

STAFF:
Community Development Director Amanda Askew
Senior Activity Center Director Leslie Lyne
Director of Finance Steve Ramsey
Director of Public Safety Chief Sembach
Director of Public Services Leon Smith
Deputy City Clerk Karla Strait, CMC

Order call

Mayor Pruette called the special meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge

Mayor Pruette asked Councilor Weldon to lead the Pledge of Alliance.

Councilor Weldon asked the incoming Council to continue the effort to keep Neptune Beach a desirable place to live.

Mayor Pruette stated Councilor Weldon accomplished many things during his term including the following:

- Serving as Chairperson on the Planning of Development Review Board during the Land Use Code revisions
- Proposing the ordinance for the 35 foot height limit
- limiting commercial building size to 60,000 square feet
- development of the new Publix Shopping Center
- protecting the tree canopy, the marshlands, and the environment.

Mayor Pruette presented a plaque to Councilor Weldon in recognition and appreciation of his many years of service to the City.

Oaths of Office

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City Clerk Lisa Volpe administered the Oath of Office to Richard Arthur and John Jolly, whereupon they each, respectively, assumed the duties of their elected office.

Presentation of
Certificate of Election

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION: City Clerk Volpe presented a Certificate of Election to Councilor Arthur for Seat 4 and Councilor Jolly for Seat 5

Council Comments

Councilor Jolly thanked the voters and promised to do a good job.

Councilor Arthur stated he was excited and looking forward to being part of the solutions to problems facing our city. He felt there were a lot of opportunities to improve our City.

Councilor Pardee welcomed the new council members.

Councilor Tucker congratulated the new council members and stated she was looking forward to working with the new council.

Mayor Pruette also welcomed the new council members and was looking forward to working with them. She hoped the Council could reason and debate with one another and still remain friends outside the council chambers. She thanked City Manager Jarboe and all the staff for making the Councils job easier.

Jan. & Feb. 2011 Council Mtgs.

City Clerk Volpe asked if the workshop meetings for January and February could be held on the fourth Monday due to the third Monday's both falling on holidays.

Consensus: **TO HOLD THE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2011 WORKSHOP MEETINGS ON THE FOURTH MONDAY IN LIEU OF THE THIRD MONDAY.**

Appointment of Vice- Mayor

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

Councilor Jolly nominated Councilor Tucker to serve as Vice Mayor.

There being no further nominations, Mayor Pruette closed the floor and asked City Clerk Volpe to call the roll.

Roll Call Vote to elect Councilor Tucker to serve as Vice Mayor:

Ayes: 5 – Arthur, Jolly, Pardee, Tucker, Pruette
Noes: 0

Results: **COUNCILOR TUCKER TO SERVE AS VICE MAYOR.**

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Harriet Pruette, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Volpe, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: _____