



MINUTES
Town of Indian River Shores
Special Called Town Council Meeting
Council Vacancy
Thursday, September 23, 2021
3:15 PM

6001 N. STATE ROAD A1A, INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FL 32963

1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 PM by Mayor Foley, with the Invocation given by Vice Mayor Carroll followed by the Pledge of Allegiance being recited by all. Those present were as follows: ELECTED OFFICIALS: Mayor Brian **Foley**, Vice Mayor Sam **Carroll**, Councilmember Chris **Hendricks**, and Councilwoman Mary Alice **Smith**. STAFF present were Town Manager Jim **Harpring**, Town Clerk Laura **Aldrich**, Town Attorney Peter **Sweeney**, Town Treasurer/Assistant Town Manager Heather **Christmas**, Assistant to the Town Clerk Chelley **Pallo-Darnell**, Public Safety Chief Rich **Rosell**, and Building Official Luis **Martinez**. RESIDENTS present were Bob **Auwaerter** (Council candidate, Charter Review Chair, Ocean Colony), Nancy **Auwaerter** (Ocean Colony), Patty **Gundy** (PZVB Chair, Pebble Bay), Mike **Ochsner** (Finance Committee Chair, The Estuary), Sandi **Ochsner** (The Estuary), Bill **Driscoll** (The Shores), Kim **Anderson** (John's Island) and one unidentified guest.

2. Council Vacancy

- a. Receive Nominations for Council Vacancy Created by John McCord's Resignation

The Mayor announced that Mr. McCord had turned in his resignation effective September 3, 2021, and that the Town had advertised through its website, bulletin board and News Alert that applications for a replacement were due to be received by September 13. Although two applications were received, one applicant removed himself from consideration, leaving former Vice Mayor Bob Auwaerter as the sole applicant to be considered for the open Council position. **A nomination of Mr. Auwaerter was made by Vice Mayor Carroll with support from Councilwoman Smith.** No objections were heard.

- b. Call to Audience Relative to Council Vacancy

There was no comment.

- c. Close Floor for Nominations
- d. Selection of New Councilmember
- e. Swearing-In of New Councilmember

Town Clerk Aldrich asked Mr. Auwaerter to step forward, and he repeated the Oath of Office. The Council welcomed him back, noting his tenure would be an asset. Mayor Foley said they are pleased to have him back, as he makes their job easier. He added Mr. Harpring, Mr. Griffin and Mr. Stabe all would have said the same.

3. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

/s
Laura Aldrich, Town Clerk

Approved by the Town Council at their
October 28, 2021 Regular Council meeting