

**MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019 - 10:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

CANVASING BOARD: City Manager, Monte Falls; City Attorney, John Turner and City Clerk, Tammy Bursick **Also Present:** Deputy City Clerk, Sherri Philo

1. Call to Order of Canvassing Board – City Attorney

Mr. John Turner, City Attorney, called today’s meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

A) Roll Call – Deputy City Clerk

Ms. Sherri Philo, Deputy City Clerk, performed the roll call.

B) Pledge of Allegiance

Mrs. Tammy Bursick, City Clerk, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2. Certification of Election Results

A) Presentation of Election Results – City Clerk

Mrs. Bursick reported that the Election went smoothly. She said this is the second year they have had the new voting equipment and everything worked fine.

B) Reading of Certification Resolution – City Manager

Mr. Monte Falls, City Manager, read the Resolution certifying the results of the Election in its entirety (attached to the original minutes).

C) Motion to Adopt Resolution Certifying Election Results

*Please note that this item was discussed after the City Council took their seat at the dais.

3. Oath of Office of New Councilmembers

A) Administration of Oath of Office – City Clerk

Mr. Brian Heady approached the dais.

Mr. Turner explained that they were not taking public comments at this time.

Mr. Heady asked if he could point out that there was no adoption of the agenda and he would think that would be an appropriate ...

Mr. Turner asked Mr. Heady to take a seat. He said that he (Mr. Heady) is out of order at this time.

Mr. Heady said the second thing he would like to say is before the call for nominations that the public have the opportunity to speak.

Mr. Turner said you (Mr. Heady) are out of order and to have a seat immediately.

Mr. Heady said that he might be out of order, but it's the right thing to do.

At this time, the City Clerk administered the Oath of Office en masse to Mr. Rey Neville and Mr. Joe Graves.

B) Adjournment of Canvassing Board

The Canvassing Board adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

C) Council takes seats at Dais

The City Councilmembers took their seats at the dais.

4. Election of Mayor

A) Call for Nomination of Mayor – City Attorney

Mr. Turner called for nominations for Mayor.

Councilwoman Moss nominated Mr. Young for Mayor.

Mr. Brian Heady said before they get into this he wanted to point out a few things.

Mr. Turner said they are conducting official City business and asked Mr. Heady to take a seat.

Mr. Heady continued stating that the Councilmembers have been seated and he is speaking to the Councilmembers. He said there never was a motion to adopt the Resolution Certifying the Election results.

Mr. Turner said it doesn't do any good talking over everybody while they are trying to conduct City business.

Mr. Heady said that he wants them to conduct the meeting, but wants the public to have the opportunity to speak and no where does it have the opportunity for the public to speak.

Mrs. Bursick made a motion to adopt the Resolution Certifying the Election Results. Mr. Falls seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Heady asked doesn't the public have a right to speak before any vote ...

Mr. Turner said they are conducting a meeting at this point.

Mr. Heady said that was a legal question.

Mr. Turner said they are conducting official business at this point and he (Mr. Heady) is out of order.

Councilwoman Moss noted that she nominated Mr. Young for Mayor. Mr. Young seconded the nomination.

Mr. Graves nominated Mr. Brackett for Mayor. Mr. Brackett seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

B) Motion for Election of one of the Nominees as Mayor

Mr. Turner asked for the vote on the first nominee, Mr. Young.

The nomination for Mr. Young passed 3-2 with Mr. Neville voting yes, Mr. Brackett no, Councilwoman Moss yes, Mr. Graves no, and Mr. Young yes.

Mr. Turner asked for the vote on the second nominee, Mr. Brackett.

The nomination for Mr. Brackett failed 3-2 with Mr. Neville voting no, Mr. Brackett yes, Councilwoman Moss no, Mr. Graves yes, and Mr. Young no.

Mr. Young was appointed Mayor of the City of Vero Beach by a vote of 3-2.

C) Mayor assumes control of the meeting

5. Election of Vice Mayor

A) Call for Nomination for Vice Mayor – Mayor

Mayor Young nominated Councilwoman Moss for Vice Mayor. Councilwoman Moss seconded the nomination.

Mr. Graves nominated Mr. Brackett for Vice Mayor. Mr. Brackett seconded the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

B) Motion for Election of One of the Nominees as Vice Mayor

Mr. Turner asked for the vote for Councilwoman Moss for Vice Mayor.

The nomination for Councilwoman Moss for Vice Mayor passed 3-2 with Mr. Neville voting yes, Mr. Brackett no, Councilwoman Moss yes, Mr. Graves no, and Mayor Young yes.

Mr. Turner asked for the vote for Mr. Brackett for Vice Mayor.

The nomination for Mr. Brackett for Vice Mayor failed 3-2 with Mr. Neville voting no, Mr. Brackett yes, Councilwoman Moss no, Mr. Graves yes, and Mayor Young no.

Councilwoman Moss was appointed Vice Mayor by a vote of 3-2.

6. Seating Assignments

The seating assignments for City Council will be from left to right, Mr. Neville, Mr. Brackett, Vice Mayor Moss, Mayor Young, and Mr. Graves.

Mayor Young thanked the two (2) new members on the City Council. He said that he is truly grateful and thinks this coming year will be an awesome year. He said on behalf of the three (3) other members of the City Council, they look forward to working with them.

Mr. Neville said it is a pleasure to serve and will do his best to serve to his ability.

Mayor Young said that he is very honored to have the opportunity 100 years after his grandfather to serve their great community as Mayor. He thanked former Councilmember Mr. Harry Howle and former Mayor Val Zudans for their service to the City.

Councilwoman Moss welcomed the new Councilmembers. She said for the community, this is a very pivotal year going forward with the Three Corners property and the other matters they have coming before them so she is really looking forward to it. She said it is going to be very exciting.

7. Sunshine Law Briefing – City Attorney

Mr. Turner gave a Power Point presentation on the Sunshine Law and Public Records Law (attached to the original minutes).

Vice Mayor Moss asked if they tour the Power Plant as part of the Steering Committee, because she thinks that has been suggested at some point and she has toured it herself, she has toured all the different pieces of property over time, but she thinks it is a good suggestion to tour it as a group, how would that be done. She questioned if they stay

apart, the five (5) of them. She said actually it would be more than the five (5) of them. It would be all 12 of them.

Mr. Turner said it would be 12 of them on these site visits and he would not encourage any interaction at the time of the site visits. He said they can take notes or use their phone to record, but they are not to discuss any of the matters because it would be coming before the City Council.

Mayor Young thanked everyone for attending today's meeting.

8. Adjournment

Today's meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

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