

Town Commission Meeting Monday December 18, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE

TOWN COMMISSION	TOWN STAFF				
Stewart Satter, Mayor John Deese, Vice Mayor Simone Bonutti, Mayor Pro Tem Elliot Bonner, Commissioner Orla Imbesi, Commissioner David Knobel, Commissioner Vacant, Commissioner √	Linda Stumpf, Town Manager Carmen Mattox, Chief of Police Erika Petersen, Town Clerk Keith Davis, Town Attorney Trey Nazzaro, Ass't. Town Attorney Brent Watson, Water Plant Superintendent √				

PUBLIC: Eric Marmer, Gabriela Camarotti (Coastal Construction), Goran Ljustina (Coastal Construction), Ed London (London Financial), Tom Benedict (TBBG), Joe Amedo (RWB), Aileen Carlucci (1555 SOB), Cindy McMackin (1660 SOB), Hank Siemon (1660 LER), Anne Geggis (Coastal Star)

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Town Commission meeting called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Appointment of new Commissioners.

Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti made a motion to **approve** swearing in the new commissioners. Vice Mayor Deese seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Deese, Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti

The following commissioners were appointed to fill the unexpired terms: Elliot Bonner Seat #6, Orla Imbesi Seat #2, and David Knobel Seat #5. Town Clerk Petersen swore them in. All new commissioners, Town Manager Stumpf and Assistant Town Manager Marmer will become signers on the Town bank accounts.

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Minutes November 14, 2023 Town Commission Meeting
- 2. Police Department Report and Fire/Rescue Response Time Report for November
- **3. Amendment** to Inter Local Agreement with Palm Beach County for Radio Communications between PSAPS (Public Safety Answering Points)
- 4. RES 10-23 Appointment of new Town Commissioners

Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti made a motion to **approve** the Consent Agenda. Vice Mayor Deese seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Deese, Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti, Commissioner Bonner, Commissioner Imbesi, and Commissioner Knobel

Assistant Town Attorney, Trey Nazzaro, gave an orientation for the new commissioners regarding quasi-judicial proceedings.

Chief Mattox announced there had been a bad storm and a power line was down around 4020 South Ocean Blvd. He also advised that he is still in contact with FDOT regarding the flooding issues along A1A. He announced that the department was busy and there are a lot more arrests lately and he credited that to a very productive group of officers.

REGULAR AGENDA

RA. 1 SE 23-3 – 1860 S. Ocean Blvd. – 1860 South Ocean Boulevard Trust, 1860 South Ocean Boulevard, sought the Town Commission's approval for a special exception use to construct a pedestrian passageway under South Ocean Boulevard (Florida Highway A1A) pursuant to Sections 151.093(F) and 151.581, Town Code. The architect, Tom Benedict, presented the application.

Vice Mayor Deese made a motion to **approve** the special exception request. Commissioner Knobel seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Deese, Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti, Commissioner Bonner, Commissioner Imbesi, and Commissioner Knobel

RA. 2 SE 23-4 – 1860 S. Ocean Blvd. – 1860 South Ocean Boulevard Trust, 1860 South Ocean Boulevard, sought the Town Commission's approval for a special exception use to construct a beach house on the east side of South Ocean Boulevard (Florida Highway A1A) pursuant to Sections 151.093(B), Town Code. The architect, Tom Benedict, presented the application.

Vice Mayor Deese made a motion to **approve** the special exception request. Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Deese, Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti, Commissioner Bonner, Commissioner Imbesi, and Commissioner Knobel

RA. 3 Permit Extension - 1460 South Ocean Blvd. – The property owner, London Financial South Ocean LLC, asked to extend Permit #8136 to April 26, 2024. The property owner, Ed London, as well as the contractor Goran Ljustina represented the request noting the new property owner only took over the property a few days prior. Mr. London explained his company had been financing the construction loan for some time before they took over ownership of the property and he anticipates the work being done in as little as four months.

Mayor Satter asked if they thought four months would be a sufficient amount of time to finish the project. The contractor responded that July 1st would be better. Town Manager Linda Stumpf suggested July 1st would help avoid them coming back for yet another extension.

Town Manager Stumpf announced the permit fee would be \$37,886.61.

Vice Mayor Deese made a motion to **approve** the permit extension until July 1st, 2024 with the permit fees as stated by the Town Manager. Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Deese, Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti, Commissioner Bonner, Commissioner Imbesi, and Commissioner Knobel

RA. 4 Town Manager Stumpf's Report

Lands End Road Cul de Sac Update: Town Manager Stumpf explained that the construction is underway, but the new pavers were ordered but there was a delay. The new landscape architect is working on the plantings at that cul de sac as well as the other two ones in Town.

Yoga: Town Manager Stumpf announced that there were 14 people at the first yoga class held at the library and a photograph was provided for each commissioner. People have also been asking for the book club to resume, a bridge class, and tai chi classes. She also mentioned that the recent book sale put on by the library volunteers had raised \$357.

Water Rates: Town Manager Stumpf explained that the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) has been working on the Town's 20-year permit and they have advised the Town that we would need to move to a graduated rate system. We currently have a flat rate system that does not encourage water conservation. She asked for a five-year rate study. She also explained that the Town was exploring the installation of a sewer system and we have been working with Holtz Consulting who has completed a vulnerability study for a resiliency grant we have applied for. Town Manager Stumpf also announced she was working on the renewal for the injection well.

Sidewalks & Swales: Town Manager Stumpf explained in January the Town would be evaluating the sidewalks along the point for repairs. She also announced we would be regrading the swales to ensure proper storm water runoff.

Fire Rescue: Town Manager Stumpf explained we have had two 10-year contracts with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue that are set to expire in September. She noted that herself and Assistant Town Manager Marmer were having another phone call with their representative in the coming week and that they were also exploring other options. She told the Commission that as soon as they have more information, they will present it to them.

Town Manager Stumpf announced that former Mayor Blum's estate had left approximately \$101,966.15 to the library. Mayor Satter asked if the funds had a restricted use tied to them, Town Manager Stumpf responded that they did not.

Mayor Satter thanked the Commission and announced he was resigning.

Town Manager Stumpf announced there were some vacancies on the Architectural Commission that needed to be filled.

Mayor Pro Tem Bonutti made a motion to **approve** the appointments of Hank Siemon and Kristin Rosen to the Architectural Commission. Commissioner Bonner seconded the motion which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Vice Mayor Do Commissioner Knobel	eese, 1	Mayor	Pro	Tem	Bonutti,	Commissione	r Bonner,	Commissioner	Imbesi,	and
PUBLIC COMMENT There were none.	<u>'S</u>									
OTHER BUSINESS There was none.										
The Town Commission	n meet	ing adj	jouri	ned at	t 11:08 a.	m.				
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	,	on We	dnes	day F	ebruary	28 th , 2023 for	approval.			
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John Deese, Vice Mayo	or			Da	te Signed					

Date Signed

Erika Petersen, Town Clerk