Town of Melbourne Beach

SPECIAL TOWN COMMISSION MEETING JULY 12, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. COMMUNITY CENTER – 509 OCEAN AVENUE

MINUTES

Commission Members:

Mayor Wyatt Hoover Vice Mayor Joyce Barton Commissioner Sherri Quarrie Commissioner Corey Runte Commissioner Marivi Walker

Staff Members:

Town Manager Elizabeth Mascaro Town Clerk Amber Brown

1. Call to Order

Mayor Wyatt Hoover called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Town Clerk Amber Brown conducted a roll call

Commission Members Present

Mayor Wyatt Hoover Vice Mayor Joyce Barton Commissioner Sherri Quarrie Commissioner Corey Runte Commissioner Marivi Walker

Commission Members Absent

Staff Members Present

Town Manager Elizabeth Mascaro Town Attorney Clifford Repperger Finance Manager Jennifer Kerr Building Official Robert Bitgood Town Clerk Amber Brown Public Works Director Tom Davis @ 6:09

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Mayor Wyatt Hoover led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comments

After being acknowledged by the Vice Mayor, members of the public should state their name and address for the record. The Commission encourages citizens to prepare their comments in advance. Each individual will have three (3) minutes to address the Commission on any topic(s) related to Town business, not on the Agenda.

Doug Hilmes 443 Riverview Ln

Doug Hilmes spoke about having a Town parking sticker, but still getting a ticket at Ocean Park. He asked the Town Commission to install a sign saying parking decals are not valid at Ocean Park.

Town Attorney Clifford Repperger spoke about Ocean Park having a deed restriction which is why everyone has to pay at Ocean Park even if they have a parking sticker.

5. Unfinished Business

6. New Business

A. Discussion and consideration of filing the vacancy for Town Commission Seat (Vice Mayor Barton)/inclusion of seat in qualifying for Special Election to be held November 7, 2023

Town Attorney Clifford Repperger spoke about Vice Mayor Joyce Barton has tendered her irrevocable resignation. The Commission seat that will be vacated by the resignation can be appointed or be included in the qualifying period that is coming up for this year's election.

Commissioner Sherri Quarrie asked if Vice Mayor Joyce Barton would need to abstain from the vote.

Town Attorney Clifford Repperger spoke about not seeing a conflict that would require Vice Mayor Joyce Barton to abstain, but she can if she feels there is one.

Vice Mayor Joyce Barton spoke about not having a conflict, and submitting the resignation with the intention of there being plenty of time to fill the seat during the election.

Doug Hilmes 443 Riverview Lane

Doug Hilmes thanked Vice Mayor Joyce Barton and spoke about it being important to allow the residents to vote rather than appoint someone.

Steve Walters 416 Sixth Ave

Steve Walters spoke about not hearing the Town Attorney state the resignation is irrevocable.

Commissioner Corey Runte made a motion to approve a special election in conjunction with the general election to fill the vacancy created by Joyce Barton's resignation to run for Mayor by resident vote during the November 7th election; Commissioner Marivi Walker seconded; Motion carried 5-0

7. Adjournment

<u>Commissioner Corey Runte moved to adjourn; Vice Mayor Joyce Barton seconded;</u> <u>Motion carried 5-0.</u>

Meeting adjourned at 616 p.m.

ATTEST:

Wyatt Hoover, Mayor

Amber Brown, Town Clerk

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