

**MINUTES
LONGBOAT KEY TOWN COMMISSION
STATUTORY MEETING
MARCH 21, 2011 - 7:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor George Spoll, Vice Mayor Jim Brown, Comms. David Brenner, Lynn Larson, Hal Lenobel, Bob Siekmann, Phillip Younger

Also Present: Town Manager Bruce St. Denis, Town Attorney David Persson, Town Clerk Trish Granger

CALL TO ORDER

The Statutory Meeting of the Longboat Key Town Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m., in the Town Commission Chamber, 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, Florida.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Spoll requested and Commr. Younger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Spoll noted the attendance of Manatee County Commissioner John Chappie.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

1. Opportunity for Public to Address Town Commission - No items were presented.

ELECTION RESULTS

2. Results of General Municipal Election

Town Clerk Trish Granger presented the results of the March 15, 2011, General Municipal Election for the Town Commission seats and the referendum questions, as follows:

For Commission District 2: Upon closing of the official qualifying deadline of November 15, 2010, two candidates were confirmed to be qualified for the District 2 seat: Mr. Jack Duncan and Mr. Jack Jaret. Subsequently, on December 7, 2010, Mr. Jaret withdrew his candidacy for the District 2 seat. Mr. Duncan was the sole candidate for Commission District 2 and was deemed to have voted for himself, in accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 101.151, Subsection 7, and seated for Commission District 2 for the term of March 2011 to March 2013.

For Commission District 4: Upon closing of the official qualifying deadline of November 15, 2010, Mr. James Brown was the sole candidate for Commission District 4 and was deemed to have voted for himself, in accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 101.151, Subsection 7, and seated for Commission District 4 for the term of March 2011 to March 2013.

For Commission District At-Large: Upon closing of the official qualifying deadline of November 15, 2010, Mr. Phillip Younger was the sole candidate for Commission District At Large and was deemed to have voted for himself, in accordance with Florida Statutes, Chapter 101.151, Subsection 7, for Commission District At-Large for the term of March 2011 to March 2013.

2. Results of General Municipal Election - Continued

Town Clerk Trish Granger read the ballot question and provided the results of the Referendum question on the March 15, 2011, General Municipal Election, as follows:

Charter Amendment: Term Limits

Shall the Charter of the Town of Longboat Key be amended to provide that a partial term for any Commissioner of one (1) year or more shall be counted as a term under the three consecutive term limitation provided for in the Town Charter?

A total of 1,164 votes were cast, with 981 votes cast in favor of the referendum and 183 votes cast in opposition to the referendum. It is declared that Referendum question passes, receiving the highest number of votes cast in the affirmative.

Beach Project, District A

Shall Longboat Key Beach Erosion Control District A issue not exceeding \$16,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, bearing interest not exceeding the maximum legal rate when sold, maturing in not exceeding twenty annual installments beginning the year after issuance, pledging the District's full faith, credit and unlimited taxing power, to finance erosion control and sand for the District's northerly Gulf beaches, pursuant to Resolution 2011-02 of the Town Commission, ex officio as governing body of the District?

A total of 466 votes were cast, with 371 votes cast in favor of the referendum and 95 votes cast in opposition to the referendum. It is declared that Referendum question passes, receiving the highest number of votes cast in the affirmative.

Referendum Question - Beach Project, District B

Shall Longboat Key Beach Erosion Control District B obligate itself to partially retire District A's not exceeding \$16,000,000 General Obligation Bonds, bearing interest not exceeding the maximum legal rate, maturing in not exceeding twenty annual installments, pledging the District's full faith, credit and unlimited taxing power (but at an annual millage rate 20% of the sum of District A and District B annual millage rates) for beach erosion control and sand projects on Longboat Key?

A total of 705 votes were cast, with 521 votes cast in favor of the referendum and 184 votes cast in opposition to the referendum. It is declared that Referendum question passes, receiving the highest number of votes cast in the affirmative.

Town Commission Declares Results of the Commission Election and the Referendum Questions

Commr. Younger moved to declare the results of the election as reported by the Town Clerk. The motion, seconded by Commr. Brenner, carried by a 7-0 roll call vote, as follows: Younger, aye; Brenner, aye; Larson, aye; Siekmann, aye; Lenobel, aye; Brown, aye; Spoll, aye.

TOWN COMMISSION COMMENTS

3. Remarks to Outgoing Mayor

Vice Mayor Brown commended Mayor Spoll for his service to the Town and to the Town Commission.

4. Remarks from Mayor Spoll

Mayor Spoll commented on his service and thanked all individuals, organizations, and Commissioners that he has worked with during his tenure on the Commission, commended the work and efforts of Town Staff and the Town Attorney, and thanked his wife, Madelyn, for supporting his service to the Town.

CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION AND OATHS OF OFFICE

5. Certificates of Election / Administration of Oaths of Office for New Terms

Vice Mayor Brown presented Mayor Spoll with a service plaque detailing his service to the citizens of the Town.

Town Clerk Trish Granger read and presented the Certificates of Election and administered the Oaths of Office to Vice Mayor James Brown, District 4; Commr. Jack Duncan, District 2, and Commr. Phillip Younger, District At-Large.

ELECTION AND OATH OF OFFICERS

6. Selection of Mayor

Vice Mayor Brown opened the floor for nominations for Mayor for the term from March 2009 to March 2010.

Commr. Younger nominated Jim Brown to serve as Mayor. Commr. Lenobel nominated Bob Siekmann to serve as Mayor.

As no additional nominations were made, Vice Mayor Brown closed the floor for nominations.

Town Clerk Trish Granger polled the Town Commission, as follows:

**Commr. Younger cast a vote for Vice Mayor Brown to serve as Mayor.
Commr. Duncan cast a vote for Vice Mayor Brown to serve as Mayor.
Commr. Larson cast a vote for Vice Mayor Brown to serve as Mayor.
Commr. Brenner cast a vote for Vice Mayor Brown to serve as Mayor.
Commr. Siekmann cast a vote for himself to serve as Mayor.
Commr. Lenobel cast a vote for Commr. Siekmann to serve as Mayor.
Vice Mayor Brown cast a vote for himself to serve as Mayor.**

Vice Mayor Brown was elected with a majority of the vote to serve as the Mayor from March 2011 to March 2012.

7. Selection of Vice Mayor

Mayor Brown opened the floor for nominations for Vice Mayor.

Commr. Larson nominated David Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor. As no additional nominations were made, Mayor Brown closed the nominations for Vice Mayor.

Town Clerk Trish Granger polled the Town Commission, as follows:

**Commr. Larson cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Commr. Brenner cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Commr. Siekmann cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Commr. Lenobel cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Commr. Duncan cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Mayor Brown cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.
Commr. Younger cast a vote for Commr. Brenner to serve as Vice Mayor.**

Commr. Brenner was elected unanimously to serve as the Vice Mayor from March 2011 to March 2012.

8. Administration of Oaths of Office to Mayor and Vice Mayor

Town Clerk Trish Granger administered the Oaths of Office to Mayor James Brown and Vice Mayor David Brenner.

TOWN ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Town Attorney David Persson noted and commended the service of Mayor Spoll and the working relationship enjoyed, commented on his service to the Commission during the next year, congratulated Commr. Duncan on his election, and commended Mayor Spoll's decisiveness and his dedication to the Town.

TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS

Town Manager Bruce St. Denis commended the service of Mayor Spoll, his dedication to the Town, and his support of the community.

PRESS TO BE HEARD - No items were presented.

TOWN COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commr. Larson requested, and Town Manager Bruce St. Denis recognized the attendance of former Commissioners in the audience: George Spoll, Randy Clair, Lee Rothenberg, Al Green, Joan Webster, and Ron Johnson.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brown adjourned the March 21, 2011, Statutory Meeting at 7:32 p.m.

/s/ Trish Granger
Trish Granger, Town Clerk

/s/ James L. Brown
James L. Brown, Mayor

Minutes Approved: 05/02/2011