

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 10:00 A.M.
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

PRESENT: 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 – City Manager

Mr. Monte Falls, City Manager, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

2. Certification of Election Results

A) Presentation of Election Results – City Clerk

Mrs. Tammy Bursick, City Clerk, reported that the Election went very smoothly and she has the certified results.

B) Reading of Certification Resolution – City Manager

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

Mr. Tuner opened and closed public comments at 10:05 a.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

C) Motion to Adopt Resolution Certifying Election Results

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

3. Oath of Office of New Councilmembers

A) Administration of Oath of Office – City Clerk

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office en masse to Mr. John E. Cotugno and Mr. Rey Neville.

B) Adjournment of Canvassing Board

The Canvassing Board adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

C) Council takes seats at Dais

The City Council 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.

Mr. Neville nominated Mr. Robbie Brackett for Mayor. Mrs. Minuse seconded the nomination.

Mr. Bob McCabe nominated himself for Mayor.

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

The nomination for Mr. Robbie Brackett for Mayor passed 4-1 by the raise of hands with Mr. Cotugno voting yes, Mr. McCabe no, Mr. Neville yes, Mrs. Minuse yes, and Mr. Brackett yes.

The nomination for Mr. Bob McCabe for Mayor failed 1-4 by the raise of hands with Mr. Cotugno voting no, Mr. McCabe yes, Mr. Neville no, Mrs. Minuse no, and Mr. Brackett no.

Mr. Robbie Brackett was appointed Mayor.

C) Mayor assumes control of the meeting

Mayor Brackett assumed control of the meeting.

5. Election of Vice Mayor

A) Call for Nomination of Vice Mayor – Mayor

Mayor Brackett nominated Mr. Rey Neville for Vice Mayor. Mrs. Minuse seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations.

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

With no other nominations, the nomination for Mr. Neville as Vice Mayor passed unanimously.

6. Public Comment

Ms. Laura Moss, Indian River County Commissioner, congratulated the re-elected Vice Mayor, Mr. Rey Neville and the newly elected Councilmember, Mr. John Cotugno. She said this is a wonderful Council and she looks forward to working with them.

7. Seating Assignments

The seating assignments for the City Council will be from left to right, Mr. John Cotugno, Mr. Bob McCabe, Mr. Rey Neville, Mr. Robbie Brackett and Mrs. Honey Minuse.

8. Sunshine Law Briefing – City Attorney

Mr. Turner gave a Power Point presentation on the Sunshine Law and the Public Records Law (on file in the City Clerk's office).

9. Adjournment

Today's meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

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