



**MINUTES**  
**THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES**  
**6001 State Road A1A, Indian River Shores, FL 32963**

**SPECIAL CALLED**  
**TOWN COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Thursday, November 17, 2016**

**9:00 a.m.**

**PRESENT:** Robert F. Auwaerter, Council-elect  
Brian M. Barefoot, Council-elect  
Richard M. Haverland, Councilman  
Michael B. Ochsner, Councilman  
Deborah H. Peniston, Council-elect

**STAFF PRESENT:** Robert Stabe, Town Manager  
Chester Clem, Town Attorney  
Richard Rosell, Public Safety Director  
Sgt. Shawn Hoyt, Public Safety Dept.

Laura Aldrich, Town Clerk  
Heather Christmas, Town Treasurer  
Lt. Mark Shaw, Public Safety Dept.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Outgoing Council Gerard (Jerry) Weick, Thomas (Tom) Slater, Residents Nancy Auwaerter, Anna Bain Slater, Frances Atchison, Andrew Sowers, Patricia Gundy, Caroline Irvin, Bob Wilkes, Bill Stengel, and Bill Cull; Jim Moller, JIPOA, Lisa Zahner, VB 32963 and Janet Begley, Press Journal

1. **Open Town Council Organizational Meeting** (Councilman Ochsner)  
A motion to accept the results of the election was made by Councilman Haverland seconded by Councilman Ochsner. Town Clerk Aldrich made a point of order that the official results would not be available for another day, but since there was not an election per se for the Council, our results will not be affected by any mail in ballots received. The **motion passed 2-0**.
2. **Election of Mayor**  
Before the nominations could be received, the Town Clerk called the three newly elected officials to the front and swore them in separately.
  - a. Receive Nominations. One nomination for mayor was received from Councilman Haverland, which was seconded by Councilmember Peniston.
  - b. Selection by Council of New Mayor. Hearing no other nominations, Brian Barefoot was duly appointed by the Council to serve the two-year term as Mayor by a vote of 5-0.
3. **Election of Vice Mayor**
  - a. Receive Nominations. Mayor Barefoot then opened the floor for nominations for vice mayor, which was made by Councilman Haverland for Councilman Ochsner to be the Vice Mayor, which was seconded by Councilman Ochsner with thanks.
  - b. Selection by Council. With no other nominations, the Council voted unanimously to appoint Mike Ochsner as Vice Mayor for a two-year term. Everyone chose to stay in the seat where they were.  
Mayor Barefoot commented briefly his appreciation for being selected as Mayor, and that Bob Auwaerter would not have to resign his position on the Utilities Commission for Vero Beach as an elected official for the Town. He congratulated Councilmember Peniston and Councilman Auwaerter on their election to Council.
4. **Committee Considerations** (Done later during the Council meeting)
5. **Sunshine Law Briefing** (Done later during the Council meeting)
6. **Adjourn**  
Hearing no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Aldrich, Town Clerk

(Approved by the Town Council at the December 15, 2016 meeting)