



## MINUTES

Town of Indian River Shores  
Public Hearing for Updated Comprehensive Plan  
Thursday, August 27, 2020, 9:00 a.m.  
6001 N. STATE ROAD A1A, INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FL 32963

### 1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation
- b. Pledge of Allegiance
- c. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Vice Mayor Auwaerter. Councilman Carroll asked for a moment of silence for former Mayor Bill Kenyon, who passed away last week, after which he gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all. The Town Clerk called the roll, with those present as follows: Mayor **Slater** (by Zoom), Vice Mayor **Auwaerter**, Councilman **Carroll**, Councilmember **Peniston** (by Zoom) and Councilman **Foley**. Also present were STAFF: Town Manager **Griffin**, Town Clerk **Aldrich**, Town Attorney **Clem**, Town Treasurer **Christmas**, Assistant to the Town Clerk **Pallo**, Public Safety Director **Rosell**, PSD Capt. **Iovino** and Building Official **Martinez**. RESIDENTS present were PZ&V Board Chair **Patty Gundy** (Pebble Bay), and Peter **Tedesko** (Sea Forest). GUESTS present were Buck **Vocelle**, Vocelle & Berg, LLP; Vincent **Burke**, IRC Utilities Director; Sam **Nelson**, John's Island Utilities; and Rebecca **Grohall**, MBV Engineering.

### 2. Open Public Hearing for Ordinance 549, Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR)-Based Amendments

- a. First Reading of Ordinance 549 by Title (9:02 AM)

Vice Mayor Auwaerter recognized the hard work by Chairman Gundy and the Planning, Zoning and Variance Board and expressed his appreciation for their efforts. Mr. Clem then read the title of Ordinance 549 as follows:

**An Ordinance Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Indian River Shores, Florida, Relating To Comprehensive Planning; Amending The Town's Comprehensive Plan Pursuant To The Evaluation And Appraisal Report Based Amendments; To Include Revisions To The Future Land Use Element, Housing Element, Public Facilities Element, Coastal Management Element, Conservation Element, Recreation And Open Space Element, Intergovernmental Coordination Element, And General Monitoring And Review Element; Providing For A Severability Clause; Providing For Repeal Of Ordinances Or Parts Thereof In Conflict; And Providing For An Effective Date.**

- b. Staff Discussion

Mr. Griffin stated that the Town Council approved the Comprehensive Plan at their July meeting and that Rebecca Grohall of MBV Engineering, who has been involved with this over the last year, is here to answer any questions. Mr. Griffin is recommending approval of Ordinance 549.

Mayor Slater agreed with the Vice Mayor's compliments to Mrs. Gundy and the entire Planning, Zoning & Variance Board, acknowledging the tremendous amount of work needed to bring us into compliance with State requirements. He concluded that the Town owes them a debt of gratitude.

This is a public meeting. The Town of Indian River Shores does not transcribe verbatim minutes. Should any interested party seek to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose he or she may need to ensure that a record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Vice Mayor Auwaerter noted that on Page 3 of the Comprehensive Plan, Table 1, it shows Percentage of Land Use by Classification, stating it is something that most of the residents of this Town probably don't realize is that it shows that the Open Space & Recreation, Residential Conservation/ Environmentally Sensitive and Residential Conservation/ Environmentally Sensitive Land elements comprise a total of 50.6%. Open space makes up half of this Town, which is something most people don't realize. He then turned the meeting over for public comment.

c. **Receive Public Comment** (9:06 AM)

Ms. Grohall stated for the record that this meeting was duly advertised in the newspaper per Florida Statutes, and Town Clerk Aldrich confirmed August 15<sup>th</sup> as the date of publication. Mrs. Grohall additionally noted that the final version contained edits to correct pagination in Chapters 6 and 9 as well as five other minor grammatical corrections.

Mr. Griffin added that after the ordinance passes first reading, it will be Staff's responsibility to work with Ms. Grohall to submit the revised Comprehensive Plan to DEO, at which point we must wait on them to return it before placing the item on an agenda for the second reading.

Patty Gundy said she wanted to acknowledge Town Clerk Aldrich for taking the photographs that start each chapter.

3. **Close Public Hearing** (9:08 AM)

There being no further comments from the audience, Vice Mayor Auwaerter closed the public hearing.

4. **Approval to Transmit to Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for Review**

Following a motion to transmit the **Comprehensive Plan Amendment Evaluation, Appraisal and Review to the Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for review** made by Councilman Foley and seconded by Councilman Carroll, the **unanimous vote** was received.

5. **Adjourn** (9:09 AM)

Respectfully submitted,

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

*Approved by Town Council at the September 24, 2020  
Regular Town Council meeting.*