

**MINUTES
CITY OF ORMOND BEACH
APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BOARDS WORKSHOP**

December 3, 2024

5:30 p.m.

City Commission Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jason Leslie called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jason Leslie, Commissioners Lori Tolland, Travis Sargent, Kristen Deaton, and Harold Briley; City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Assistant City Manager Shawn Finley, Assistant City Manager Claire Whitley, City Attorney Randy Hayes, City Clerk Susan C. Dauderis and Assistant City Clerk Taylor Lochert.

II. DISCUSSIONS

Ms. Joyce Shanahan, City Manager, stated every two years the various advisory boards needed member terms to be reviewed for new or reappointments. She explained the City Clerk would review the boards one at a time to receive Commission feedback. Ms. Shanahan clarified there would be no votes at the workshop and noted the Commission would provide direction for the City Clerk.

Ms. Susan Dauderis, City Clerk, explained the handouts provided and a new board application received from Richard Gosch. She reviewed how the interest to be on the boards was gathered, including application updates since the workshop packet was distributed. She identified the advisory boards to be reviewed during the workshop. She stated the nominations would be brought back before the Commission at the January 7, 2025, City Commission meeting.

Aviation Advisory Board

Mayor Leslie nominated Douglas Widnall.

Commissioner Deaton and Commissioner Briley indicated they would like to keep the members currently serving in the Zone 3 and Zone 4 appointments the same (Michelle Widick and Todd Phillips).

Commissioner Tolland suggested Erika Barger.

Commissioner Sargent nominated Simon Heaster. He recommended the board meet more regularly and not as needed.

Mayor Leslie provided background on Douglas Widnall.

Commissioner Tolland, Commissioner Deaton, and Commissioner Sargent expressed concerns with removing Dr. Bruce Manne from the board due to his knowledge and tenure on the board, noting concerns with changing three of the five members.

Mr. Randy Hayes reviewed the nomination process and when voting on the members would occur.

Ms. Dauderis explained if another board member wished to nominate Dr. Bruce Manne, they could, he was previously appointed by the Mayor but could be appointed by any member of the Commission.

Commissioner Tolland stated she would like to hold her nomination of Erika Barger to see if Dr. Bruce Manne would be nominated and would like further discussion.

Board of Adjustments and Appeal

Ms. Dauderis explained the Board of Adjustments and Appeals had five members and five alternate members.

Commissioner Deaton, Commissioner Briley, and Commissioner Tolland desired their appointments to remain the same (Dennis McNamara, Jean Jenner, and Jake Stehr).

Commissioner Sargent nominated Jessica Adjemian.

Mayor Leslie nominated Deborah Carter for his regular member appointment and Jennifer Bright as his alternate member appointment.

Commissioner Sargent indicated he would like his alternate appointment to remain the same (Tim Stockman).

Commissioner Deaton nominated Michelle Widick as an alternate member.

Commissioner Briley nominated Anthony "Tony" Perricelli as an alternate member.

Commissioner Tolland nominated Fred Heyne to remain on the board and be appointed by her rather than the Mayor.

Commissioner Deaton requested further discussion on the item, if time permits at the end of the workshop.

Mr. Hayes reviewed how the alternate board members would be called in the event a member was unable to attend a meeting.

Brownfield Advisory Board

Commissioner Deaton nominated Deborah Carter.

Commissioner Tolland, Commissioner Sargent, Commissioner Briley, and Mayor Leslie desired for their appointments to remain the same (Jake Stehr, Corey Cresenzi, Josh Pringle, and Fred Heyne).

The entire Commission agreed to keep the At-Large appointment the same (April Cole).

Budget Advisory Board

Commissioner Deaton nominated Mary Greenlees.

Mayor Leslie recommended William Sanchez; whereby, Commissioner Deaton advocated to keep Josh Pringle.

Commissioner Tolland, Commissioner Sargent, and Commissioner Briley all agreed to keep their appointments the same (John Olivari, Troy Railsback, and Rick Boehm).

Mayor Leslie nominated Josh Pringle.

Citizens' Law Enforcement Advisory Board

Commissioner Deaton stated she spoke with Police Chief Jesse Godfrey, noting his hardship with meeting a quorum for the board meetings. She suggested adding two At-Large appointments as alternate board members; whereby, the Commission agreed.

Mr. Hayes stated it would need to be brought back as an ordinance change.

Mayor Leslie nominated Leo Caplette.

Commissioner Sargent nominated Erika Barger.

Commissioner Tolland nominated Andrew Ferris.

Commissioner Briley nominated Billie Jo Kaler.

Commissioner Deaton indicated she would like her appointment to remain the same (Stan Driscoll). She nominated Barbie Sardina, Jennifer Haines, and Deborah Carter as alternates.

Commissioner Tolland agreed with Jennifer Haines.

Commissioner Briley recommended Sean Daly for an alternate position.

The Commission agreed to Barbie Sardina, Jennifer Haines, and Sean Daly as potential alternates for the board to be brought back for discussion at the January 7, 2025 City Commission Meeting.

General Employees' Pension Trust Fund

Ms. Dauderis explained there were two Commission-At-Large appointments for the General Employee' Pension Trust Fund Board of Trustees, and both were interested in continuing.

The Commission agreed to reappoint the current members (Michael Furman and John Olivari).

Historic Landmark Preservation Board

Mayor Leslie and Commissioner Sargent indicated they would like their appointments to remain the same (Shannon Ruby Julien and Tim Stockman).

Commissioner Tolland nominated Erum Kistemaker.

Commissioner Deaton nominated Lindsey Pate.

Commissioner Briley nominated Rose Roberts.

Commissioner Deaton recommended Lindsey Wolf for an At-Large appointment; whereby, Commissioner Tolland recommended Suzanne Heddy and Willis "Bill" Denny remain on the board.

The entire Commission agreed to keep the two At-Large appointments as they were (Suzanne Heddy and Willis “Bill” Denny).

Human Resources Board

Commissioner Deaton nominated Melanie Nordstrom.

Commissioner Sargent nominated Andrew Ferris.

Mayor Leslie nominated Kenneth Smith to serve as his appointee.

Commissioner Tolland and Commissioner Briley indicated they would like their appointees to remain the same (Willis “Bill” Denny and Matt Coleman).

Leisure Services Advisory Board

Ms. Dauderis explained one of the board appointees was from an outside organization that was recently disbanded. She provided options to the Commission on how to modify the organizational makeup of the board, and indicated that any change including removing the Pride organization would require an amendment to the code of ordinances.

The Commission discussed and agreed to remove the Ormond Beach Pride, Inc. position. They discussed potentially adding an additional member; ultimately deciding against it.

Commissioner Tolland inquired if a tennis representative should maintain an organizational appointment on the board; whereby, Ms. Shanahan stated the tennis program was a third-party program and would not be eligible to hold a position on the board.

Commissioner Deaton nominated Thomas Reardon.

Commissioner Tolland, Commissioner Sargent, Commissioner Briley, and Mayor Leslie desired for their appointments to remain the same (Lucy Jackman, Doug Thomas Sr., Lindsey Wolf and Shannon Ruby Julien).

The entire Commission agreed to keep the At-Large appointment the same (Lindsey Pate).

Firefighters’ Pension Trust Fund

The Commission agreed to reappoint the current members (Michael Scudiero and Mark Eisner).

Police Officers’ Pension Trust Fund

Commissioner Deaton suggested Brian Henderson serve as one of the At-Large appointment; whereby, Commissioner Sargent agreed.

Commissioner Tolland recommended Jason Frederick for an At-Large appointment; whereby, Commissioner Deaton agreed.

Mayor Leslie inquired if there would be a conflict with Brian Henderson serving; whereby, Mr. Hayes confirmed it would be a conflict.

Commissioner Briley suggested Kenneth Artin remain on the board; whereby, the Commission agreed to Kenneth Artin and Jason Frederick serving on the board.

Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board

Ms. Dauderis noted the Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Board's name would be changed to the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board at the December 3, 2024, Commission meeting, on the second reading.

Commissioner Briley and Mayor Leslie desired for their appointments to remain the same (Josh Pringle and Margaret Sharifi).

Commissioner Tolland appointed Jennifer Haines.

Commissioner Deaton recommended Lindsey Wolf, and later re-nominated Frank Ganz to remain on the board.

Commissioner Sargent nominated Jessica Adjemian.

Planning Board

The entire Commission agreed to keep their current appointees (Michael Scudiero, Alan Jorczak, G.G. Galloway, Doug Thomas Sr., and Angeline Shull.)

Commissioner Sargent recommended Michael Gentry for an At-Large position; whereby, Commissioner Deaton advocated for him.

Commissioner Tolland requested Troy Railsback remain on the board.

The Commission agreed to Michael Gentry and Troy Railsback as the At-Large appointees.

Quality of Life Advisory Board

Mayor Leslie stated he spoke with Chairman Dr. Philip Shapiro, who expressed concerns regarding the board meeting quorum and recommended alternates; whereby, Commissioner Briley agreed.

Commissioner Tolland stated the board was underutilized and recommended it be fully utilized by staff.

Commissioner Sargent nominated Lindsey Pate.

Mayor Leslie nominated Anna Hannon.

Commissioner Tolland, Commissioner Deaton, and Commissioner Briley desired for their appointments to remain the same (Troy Railsback, Peggie Hart, and Dr. Philip Shapiro).

Commissioner Briley recommended Doug Thomas Jr. remain as an At-Large appointee.

Commissioner Deaton suggested Deborah Carter and Mary Greenlees serve as one of the At-Large appointees.

Commissioner Tolland agreed with Mary Greenlees; whereby, the remainder of the Commission agreed.

Mayor Leslie discussed Anna Hannon's nomination.

Commissioner Deaton suggested Deborah Carter as an alternate position.

Commissioner Briley recommended Todd Phillips as an alternate.

Commissioner Tolland noted Barbie Sardina would also make a good alternate.

Goodwill Ambassador Program

Mayor Leslie stated he was comfortable with all members (Barbara Sandberg, Ike Leary, Gerald Brandon, Rick Boehm, and Hunter Wendelstedt) of the Goodwill Ambassador Program; whereby, the entire Commission agreed.

Intergovernmental Boards

The Commission agreed to reappoint the current members of the Citizens Intergovernmental Boards (Gayle Belin and Fred Heyne).

Commissioner Sargent nominated Commissioner Briley for the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (R2C TPO); whereby, the Commission agreed.

Commissioner Briley nominated Commissioner Tolland to serve as the alternate for the R2C TPO; whereby, the Commission agreed.

Commissioner Tolland suggested Commissioner Sargent serve on the Ormond Beach MainStreet board; whereby, the Commission agreed.

Ms. Dauderis inquired if the Commission wanted staff (Economic Development Director Brian Rademacher and Planning Director Steven Spraker) to remain as the alternates to the board for Ormond Beach MainStreet; whereby, the Commission agreed.

Commissioner Briley nominated Commissioner Tolland to serve on the Opioid Abatement Funding Advisory Board and Commissioner Deaton as the alternate; whereby, the entire Commission agreed.

Commissioner Briley nominated Mayor Leslie for the First Step Shelter, Inc. Board of Directors; whereby, the Commission agreed.

Commissioner Tolland inquired if there should be an alternate for the First Step Shelter appointment; whereby, Mr. Hayes stated the First Step Shelter Board would need to allow for alternates before the Commission could appoint one.

Further Discussion

Ms. Dauderis asked for clarification on the Zone 1 appointee to the Aviation Advisory Board; whereby, Commissioner Tolland stated she would like to see Dr. Bruce Manne remain on the board and would support him as her appointment. She noted she would like to see more women on the board and reviewed Erika Barger's qualifications.

Ms. Dauderis stated it was requested to further discuss the Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

Commissioner Tolland expressed concerns with Mayor Leslie's alternate appointment of Jennifer Bright, citing negativity towards the city via email and comments; whereby,

Commissioner Deaton agreed board members should represent a positive outlook for the city.

Mayor Leslie stated he would take time to process Commissioner Tolland's concerns, noting they could discuss further at the January 7, 2025, meeting.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.
Prepared by: Taylor Lochert