

MINUTES
TOWN OF JUNO BEACH
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

May 27, 2015
Council Chambers
340 Ocean Drive

PRESENT: MORT LEVINE, MAYOR
ELLEN ANDEL, VICE MAYOR
BILL GREENE, VICE MAYOR PRO TEM
JASON HASELKORN, COUNCILMEMBER
JIM LYONS, COUNCILMEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: JOSEPH LO BELLO, TOWN MANAGER
LEONARD RUBIN, TOWN ATTORNEY
VANESSA M. DUNHAM, TOWN CLERK
MATTHEW PAZANSKI, FINANCE DIRECTOR
ANTHONY MERIANO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
PAUL FERTIG, LIEUTENANT

Mayor Levine called the Town Council regular meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Audience: 10

~ CALL TO ORDER
~ INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
~ ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS TO THE AGENDA - None

1. **REPRESENTATIVE PATRICK ROONEY – LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Representative Rooney made a presentation to Council on the recent legislative session and stated that the budget process still needs to be concluded in a special session. He gave a brief analysis of what did happen and his thoughts going forward.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene asked Representative Rooney what more could be done regarding sober homes.

Representative Rooney stated the legislature did pass a voluntary certification bill which is a step in the right direction. He stated that at some point he would like to see municipalities being able to regulate where sober homes are located.

Councilmember Lyons questioned the 40 million dollars that has been designated for beach re-nourishment. He asked if this amount is for Palm Beach County or for the entire state.

Representative Rooney stated that he believed it was for the entire state but would get more clarification on that.

Mayor Levine presented Representative Rooney with a plaque containing a Council proclamation for all that he has done for the Town of Juno Beach.

2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Public Comments Opened at 6:03 PM

No Public Comments.

Public Comments Closed at 6:03 PM

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**

All matters listed under Item 1, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- A. Consider approving the April 22, 2015 Town Council Meeting minutes.
- B. Proclamation – Port of Palm Beach Celebrates 100 Years of Economic Development.
- C. Special Event Request – Loggerhead Marineline Center 4 Mile Run.
- D. Special Event Request – Loggerhead Triathlon
- E. Equipment Purchase – Beach Utility Vehicle.
- F. Resolution 2015-05 – Amending Personnel Policy.

Mayor Levine stated that there was an amendment to the April 22nd Council Minutes on page 4 by Councilmember Lyons.

***MOTION:** Lyons/Greene made motion to approve the consent agenda as amended.*

***COUNCIL ACTION:** The motion passed 5-0.*

4. **PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING: ORDINANCE NO. 680**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JUNO BEACH, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE DATE OF THE MARCH 2016 GENERAL ELECTION TO COINCIDE WITH THE STATEWIDE PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY; PROVIDING FOR A QUALIFYING PERIOD; PROVIDING FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF TERM OF OFFICE; DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Rubin read Ordinance No. 680 by title.

A. Staff Presentation and Recommendations

Mayor Levine stated that staff's memorandum, presentation and all back-up materials regarding this item would be placed into the record.

B. Public Hearing

Public Comments Opened at 6:05 PM

No Public Comments.

Public Comments Closed at 6:05 PM.

C. Council Discussion

D. Council Motion/Second

MOTION: Lyons/Greene made motion to approve first reading of Ordinance No. 680.

E. Council Action

The motion passed 5-0.

5. **AUDITOR SELECTION**

Mayor Levine stated that staff's memorandum, presentation and all back-up materials would be placed into the record.

Councilmember Haselkorn requested an opinion from Finance Director Pazanski regarding the Town's current firm.

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that staff tries to stay independent in this process because the firm works for the Council and is auditing staff.

Councilmember Lyons stated that he believes the Town's current audit firm is doing an excellent job but would recommend another set of eyes looking at the Town's books. He stated that especially in light of scrutiny by the inspector general, he believes it would be a good idea to solicit proposals.

Councilmember Haselkorn stated that he agreed with Councilmember Lyons.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that the statute expressly authorizes Council to extend the Town's contract with the existing auditor; therefore, it would not create any issue with the inspector general.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene stated that he respected his colleagues' comments but added that he has faith in staff and could not imagine another firm finding anything different.

MOTION: *Andel/Greene made motion to extend the existing agreement with Caler, Donten, Levine, Cohen, Porter & Veil, P.A. to serve as the Town's auditor for an additional period of time.*

COUNCIL ACTION: *The motion passed 3-2, with Councilmember Haselkorn and Councilmember Lyons opposed.*

6. **COMMENTS FROM TOWN MANAGER**

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that the next Town event is the Town Picnic scheduled for Friday, June 5th.

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that the next Council meeting would be June 10th and the following one would be on July 22nd.

7. **COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY**

Mayor Levine questioned the possibility of scheduling the shade meetings.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that staff was awaiting more information regarding pending motions and will inform Council when the meetings are ready to be scheduled.

8. **COMMENTS FROM STAFF**

Finance Director Pazanski gave an update on the recent online auction. He stated that the Town would be auctioning off the old beach utility vehicle very soon.

10. **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL**

Councilmember Lyons asked Chief Smith if the Police Department had decided what they were planning to do with that generous \$15,000 donation.

Chief Smith stated they have not decided yet.

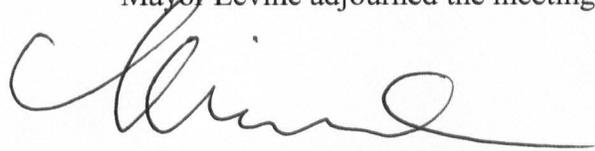
Councilmember Lyons requested Council have input in how that money is spent.

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that it would be a budgeted item, therefore Council would have to approve it.

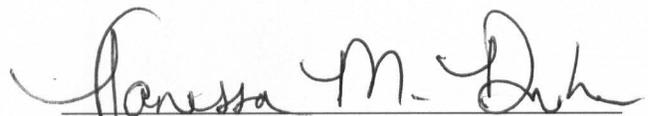
Mayor Levine thanked Chief Smith and the entire Police Department for their great work and the wonderful awards ceremony that preceded this meeting.

13. **ADJOURNMENT – 6:19 PM**

Mayor Levine adjourned the meeting at 6:19 PM



Mort Levine, Mayor



Vanessa M. Dunham, Town Clerk