

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD ON NOVEMBER 22, 2010
AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
121 S.W. FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

Roll call was answered by:

Mayor Michael Mortell

Vice Mayor Carol Waxler

Commissioner James A. Christie (ABSENT)

Commissioner Jeffrey A. Krauskopf

Commissioner Mary Hutchinson

Also present were:

City Manager: Dan Hudson

City Attorney: Paul J. Nicoletti

City Clerk: Cherie White

Mayor Mortell delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Commission.

City Clerk White noted the Resolution 119-2010 section 2 confirming the results of the Election for Candidates Rose and McDonald has been corrected to reflect the votes cast. There was an error in the Resolution and the candidate's numbers were backwards.

**1. RESOLUTION 119-2010 Confirming the results of the 2010 regular
Municipal Election for the City Commission Group 1, Group III and
Group V**

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KRAUSKOPF: MOVED APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SECOND: VICE MAYOR WAXLER

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Commission Oath of Office, Commissioner James A. Christie, Jr.

Commissioner Christie was unable to attend.

**3. Approve appointment of City Commissioner to the Treasure Coast
Regional Planning Council**

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KRAUSKOPF: MOVED APPROVAL TO APPOINT VICE
MAYOR WAXLER AS THE ALTERNATE MEMBER UNTIL JANUARY AND THE
MATTER WILL BE ADDRESSED AT THAT TIME FOR AN APPOINTMENT.

SECOND: COMMISSIONER HUTCHINSON

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS

4. Employees of the Month – Fire Rescue

**Mike Cullum
David Jackson
George Sumner
Josh Greinstein
Troy Sheets**

All five employees came forward and graciously accepted their award.

5. Employee Service Recognition

**H. Bobby Kindel, Water Treatment Team, 20 Years
Donald Lesko, Fire Rescue, 15 Years**

H. Bobby Kindel came forward and graciously accepted his award, and thanked the Commission.

Donald Lesko was unable to attend, the award was accepted by Assistant Chief Dyal.

6. Presentation by the Business Development Board and The Small Business Development Center

Ron Bunch Martin County Business Development Board came forward and introduced Patty Allen and Jan Pagano of IRSC. He presented to the Commission and public the BDB's Annual Report.

Commissioner Hutchinson addressed the dedicated boat route issue that was discussed at the last week's Martin County Meeting, and stressed the importance of the Marine Industry. She requested the City and County work together on the issue.

Jan Pagano, Executive Director of IRSC's Small Business Development Center explained the Business and Entrepreneurship/Services and Training Program as well as the Corporate and Community Training Institute at IRSC, with the mission of "Helping Business Start, Grow and Succeed."

Commissioner Krauskopf requested specific details on specifically who is benefitting from the funding contributed to the BDB.

Mr. Ron Bunch clarified that \$10,000 of the City's \$25,000 contribution goes to the Business Development Board and explained how it is used. He also said the specific details are in the report.

COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Hutchinson noted the 15th anniversary Stuart Christmas parade will take place on December 3rd.

Commissioner Krauskopf was happy to see the “simplified, most straightforward documentation” of Roadways for Tomorrow” He suggested adding information to Info Bits as part of this program. This would educate the public. He did feel the City was falling behind on a 5 year time frame and asked the City Manager to let the Commission know what economic commitment we would need to make not to get in a situation where we fall behind.

He also noted that calls are still being received from “the folks” on St. Lucie Crescent with complaints about boat docking in the area, and he would like the boating issue added to the legislative delegation meeting issues.

Vice Mayor Waxler said Department of Environmental Protection has initiated a pilot program to allow municipalities to be able to apply to get home rule power over its waterways. The City did not make the shortlist however the City Manager said the City is still being considered.

Commissioner Hutchinson noted that when the law was changed in 2006, that it took control away from the City to regulate this. She requested that when complaint calls are received the City should refer those calls to the State Legislature.

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

Mr. Hudson announced that the 2011 City Calendars will be coming out soon and mailed to all residents and utility customers. He said the Magistrate hearing scheduled for December 6th has been cancelled, however the regular December 9th meeting is moving forward as scheduled. He also announced the upcoming Charter Advisory Board will be formed in early 2011. He said the current City Commissioners will need to appoint those members due to the election schedule.

Item 9- Supplemental Memo.

Additional Item 10- Discussion of Legislative Delegation Items to be considered.

Additional Item 11 – Discuss a letter from the County Engineer Don Donaldson regarding the Transit Depot.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER KRAUSKOPF: MOVED APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS AMENDED ADDITIONAL ITEM 10, 11.

SECOND: VICE MAYOR WAXLER

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Non-Agenda Matters Only – 5 min. max)

CONSENT CALENDAR

relocate from her present space. The Supervisor of Elections has also argued in favor of purchasing and remaining in her space. He suggested a middle of the road option, where the City would offer to construct approximately 25,000 square feet to house the County Utilities Department and the Property Appraiser, and we would fix the price, and then the City would carry the risk associated with securing land and securing contracts, and the like.

Commissioner Krauskopf stated that he was in favor of keeping as many offices downtown as we can but he would have to file Form B on this issue.

Commissioner Hutchinson suggested the offer include the words “build and/or renovate.” She wants to keep that door open for possibilities.

Mayor Mortell agreed and suggested adding the words “X number of square feet not to exceed X dollars per square foot.

MOTION: VICE MAYOR WAXLER; MOVED APPROVAL TO DRAFT A LETTER TO SEND TO MARTIN COUNTY OFFERING TO BUILD OR RENOVATE OFFICE SPACE IN THE VICINITY OF THE COURT HOUSE FOR A FIXED PRICE.

SECOND: COMMISSIONER HUTCHINSON

ROLL CALL

MAYOR MORTELL

YES

COMMISSIONER KRAUSKOPF :ABSTAIN

VICE MAYOR WAXLER

YES

COMMISSIONER HUTCHINSON YES

Added item #10

City Manager Hudson suggested the following Legislative Delegation items be considered:

Movement toward Amtrak.

Boat anchoring issue.

Additional Item # 11

City Manager Hudson addressed a letter received from the County Engineer concerning the Interlocal Agreement regarding the City picking up funding expenses over the grant for the Transit Depot.

The City Commissioner's expressed concern over the cost of the facility.

Don Donaldson explained the MPO first came in with the design and the County is negotiating a contract. All costs are estimated at this time and the County is looking for the City to come up with funding in the event the costs exceed the grant amount.

Joe Capra of CAPTEC Engineering addressed the proposed building and site preparation for a possible Amtrak station.

City Manager Hudson suggested this issue be discussed at the December 13th Commission Meeting.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION

ADJOURNMENT : 6:42P.M.

ATTEST:

Cheryl White, CMC, City Clerk

, Mayor

**Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission
Meeting This 13th Day December, 2010**