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TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH NATURAL RESOURCES PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Town Hall Commission Chambers
3614 South Ocean Boulevard
Highland Beach, Florida 33487

Date: May 01, 2024
Time: 11:00 AM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Barbara Nestle called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Member Joshua Davison
Board Member Christine Viegas
Board Member Alan Blumberg
Board Member Kenneth Shriberg
Vice Chairperson Barbara Nestle
Deputy Town Clerk Jaclyn DeHart

ADDITIONAL STAFF PRESENT

Town Planner Ingrid Allen

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Viegas/Blumberg - Moved to approve the agenda as presented which passed 5 to 0.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Karen Jones, 4307 S. Ocean Blvd, gave public comments about dune restoration.

6. PRESENTATIONS

A. Water Quality Update (David Richards, Water Plant Superintendent) – for informational purposes only

Vice Chairperson Nestle introduced the item and David Richards, Water Plant Superintendent.

Town Planner Allen advised the Board that this agenda item was requested by the Board and the Town Manager agreed to a water quality update for informational purposes only.

David Richards, Water Plant Superintendent gave an update on the water quality.

B. Town Planner Updates

Town Planner Allen reviewed some items from the last meeting and informed the Board that having a sea turtle table was not feasible at the fire station opening. The Board's request for a tent and banner for the next Town event was relayed to the Manager's Office and it should not be a problem. Nametags can be given out prior to the event and discarded after. Recycling information advertisement will be placed in a future Manger's Monthly.

Town Planner Allen noted that FDEP (Florida Department of Environmental Protection) David K's contact information has been placed on the webpage along with the Penthouse Tower's dune restoration information that was provided to her but with modifications for clarification.

In March of 2024 the Manager's Monthly had a write-up about sea turtles and it will be run again in the future.

Town Planner Allen introduced Code Compliance Officer Adam Osowsky.

Code Compliance Officer Osowsky spoke about the sea turtle ordinance and enforcement.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. February 07, 2024

Motion: Viegas/Blumberg - Moved to approve the minutes as of February 07, 2024 which passed 5 to 0.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Update on the Dune Preservation Event at Penthouse Towers

Member Viegas gave an update on the event, that it was well attended. The Turtle team was there and had a table and collected some donations. It was suggested to ask Penthouse Towers to do another event in November when more residents are in town, Vice Chairperson Nestle will reach out to Elaine and request this.

B. Dune Restoration/Management-related events and Outreach

Town Planner advised the Board that there might be a 75th anniversary event in October. There was discussion about having a tent at that event and handing out information and speaking with residents.

Vice Chair Nestles mentioned that she had previously reached out to HOA presidents about dune restoration, but the response was not favorable, but she can try and reach out again to them and schedule meetings.

C. Board Member Updates

There were no updates.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2023 Beach Restoration Feasibility Study: Discussion on educational outreach to residents

There was a conversation about how to get the information from the dune study out to the residents. Suggestions included mailing photos to individual homeowners with their picture and specific steps for fix it, sending out a letter with the entire study to every resident in town, having a public event to show the presentation, and making a recommendation to the Town Commission on the report.

Vice Chairperson Nestle will create a rough draft of a letter to residents about the report's findings and send it to Town Planner Allen who will send it out to the Board Members to edit and contribute.

B. Discussion on Intracoastal Waterway Protection and Public Education

There was discussion about the rising levels of intracoastal water and educational outreach to spread awareness of the issues

The Board requested posting a presentation that Member Blumberg gave and having an event in the library where he could give the presentation. Town Planner Alen said she would ask the Town Manager about these items and requested the presentation be sent to her.

C. Nomination of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Vice Chairperson Nestle called for the nomination of a chairperson.

Motion: Blumberg/Viegas – Moved to nominate Barbara Nestle as Chairperson, which passed unanimously 5 to 0.

Chairperson Nestle called for the nomination of a Vice Chairperson.

Motion: Blumberg/Shriberg – Moved to nominate Joshua Davison for Vice Chairperson which passed unanimously 5 to 0.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 09, 2024	9:30 AM	Planning Board Meeting
May 14, 2024	1:00 PM	Code Enforcement Board Meeting
May 21, 2024	1:30 PM	Town Commission Meeting

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12: 49 PM.

APPROVED at the September 04, 2024, Natural Resources Preservation Advisory Board Regular Meeting.

ATTEST:

Chairperson Barbara Nestle

Transcribed by
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Deputy Town Clerk

Date: September 4, 2024

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