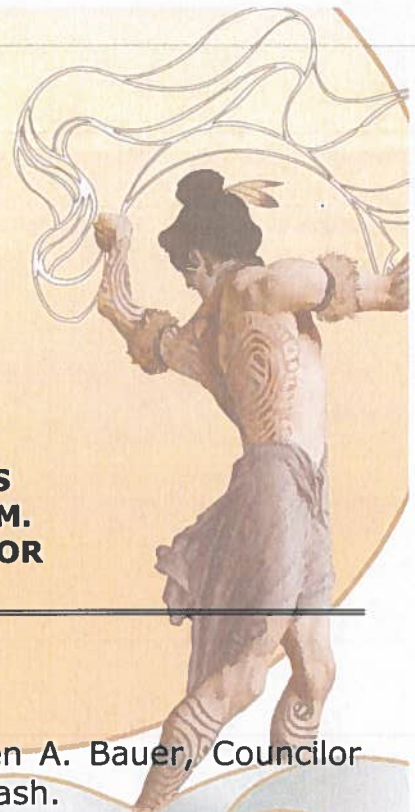


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SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023, BEGAN AT 2:00 P.M. INDIAN SHORES MUNICIPAL CENTER, 4TH FLOOR

The Special Town Council Meeting convened at 2:00 P.M.

Those present: Acting Chair Councilor Bill Smith, Councilor Ellen A. Bauer, Councilor Mike Petruccelli, and Town Attorney Regina Kardash.

Also present: Town Administrator Bonnie Dhonau, Director of Finance and Personnel Susan Scrogam, Town Clerk Freddie Lozano, Police Chief Rick Swann, Police Major Glen Smith, Building Official Brian Rusu, and Brendan McKitrick of the Town's audit firm, James Moore.

Those absent: Mayor Patrick C. Soranno and Vice Mayor Diantha Schear.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ITEM # AGENDA ITEM

1.0 Consideration of approving the Special Town Council Meeting agenda for April 25, 2023.

The initial matter of business was to designate a chairperson to preside over the proceedings in the absence of Mayor Soranno and Vice Mayor Schear.

Motion by **Councilor Bauer** – seconded by **Councilor Petruccelli** to designate Councilor Smith as Chairperson for this meeting.

All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

Patrick C. Soranno
Mayor

Diantha Schear
Vice Mayor

Ellen A. Bauer
Councilor

Michael (Mike) Petruccelli
Councilor

William F. (Bill) Smith
Councilor

Bonnie Dhonau
Town Administrator

Richard (Rick) Swann
Chief of Police

Susan L. Scrogam
Director of Finance
and Personnel

Freddie G. Lozano
Town Clerk

Regina Kardash, Esq.
Town Attorney

***AGENDA AMENDMENT:**

3.0A. Consideration of Interlocal Agreement between the Indian Shores Police Department (ISPD) and the City of Belleair Police Department for preparation for Beach Week.

Motion by **Councilor Bauer** – seconded by **Councilor Petruccelli** to approve the agenda as amended. **All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.**

2.0 **Comments from the public on any agenda item.** None.

3.0 **Consideration of Council approval to utilize American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for employee payroll as presented by the Town's Audit Firm, James Moore.**

To comply with the Treasury's reporting requirement of ARPA expenditures, which is due April 28, 2023, the Town engaged the audit firm to assist with the submission.

Mr. McKitrick provided a high-level overview of the categories eligible for utilization of ARPA funding, which are: public sector revenues, public health and economic response, premium pay for essential workers, and water, sewer & broadband infrastructure. To satisfy the Treasury's requirements and to meet the deadline, the audit firm recommended reporting the expenditures under payroll. Although reported under the payroll umbrella, the ARPA funds could be utilized for all or any of the four eligible ARPA funding categories.

Mr. McKitrick mentioned four categories excluded from ARPA funding: reduce tax revenue, pension contributions, debt service, and rainy-day fund. It was emphasized repeatedly throughout the discussion that ARPA funding cannot be utilized to reduce millage rate.

Motion by **Councilor Bauer** – seconded by **Councilor Petruccelli** to approve the agenda as amended.

The Town Council was polled. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

***AGENDA AMENDMENT 3.0A**

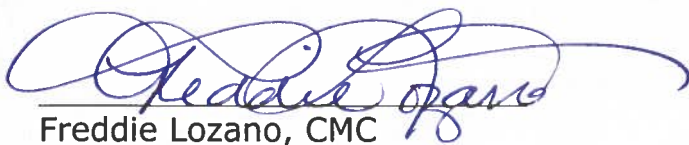
3.0A Consideration of Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between the Indian Shores Police Department (ISPD) and the City of Belleair Police Department in preparation for Beach Week.

Chief Swann presented the ILA to the Town Council noting that additional off-duty police officer resources may be needed to assist the Town's Police Department (ISPD) during Beach Week around the 4th of July holiday. If deployed, the off-duty rate is \$65 per hour for the Belleair police officers and mandatory overtime premium pay rate of \$50 per hour for ISPD officers.

Motion by **Councilor Bauer** – seconded by **Councilor Petruccelli** to approve the terms of the Interlocal Agreement overtime pay as presented.

The Town Council was polled. All ayes. Motion carried 3-0.

- 4.0 Citizens' comments on any subject.** None.
- 5.0 Council members' comments on any subject.** None.
- 6.0 Meeting adjournment.** 2:39 P.M.



Freddie Lozano, CMC
Town Clerk