

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA
CANVASSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 23, 2016, 6:00 PM
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

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I. CITY CLERK CALLS TO ORDER THE CANVASSING BOARD MEETING FOR THE MAY 23, 2016 MUNICIPAL SPECIAL RUN-OFF ELECTION.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: The City of Riviera Beach Canvass and Board Meeting is now called to order.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Claudene L. Anthony

Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson

Deputy City Clerk Jacqueline M. Burgess

D. Tawanna Smith Municipal Records Specialist

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. Deputy City Clerk Jacqueline Burgess? Municipal Records Specialist Tawanna Smith.

MUNICIPAL RECORDS SPECIALIST SMITH: Here.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Let us stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Miss Davis Johnson, could you start us, please?

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Councilperson Davis Johnson).

(1) BOARD DELIBERATION

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Canvass and Board Members, we are here tonight to certify the final results of the May 17, 2016 Special Run-Off Election. You have been provided with a copy. Can I get a motion to approve?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Motion to approve the certification of the results from the March 7 -- I'm sorry, May 17th election.

MUNICIPAL RECORDS SPECIALIST SMITH: Second.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Is there any discussion?

MUNICIPAL RECORDS SPECIALIST SMITH: None.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: None.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Okay. At this time I have one Public Comment card. Mr. Fane Lozman? Fane Lozman?

(2) COMMENTS

FANE LOZMAN: Fane Lozman, Singer Island. You know, this election has become -- I'm happy that the City Clerk was finally able to correct her mistake and not hold this on June 1st. But I took it on myself to reach out to the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections, and this was her comments going forward so this mess doesn't happen again. She said municipalities around Palm Beach County, they take her certification and that's it. They take her certification. They give it to the city council and they swear the person in.

There is not a canvassing board in between there because her comment is like, What is the Canvassing Board going to do? Are they going to say, I made a mistake, and order the election held over again? I guess conceptually you could do that. You could say, you know, we think Miss Bucher made a mistake; hold the election over. Okay? A canvassing board should not be in a position where they have the ability to say to the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections, We're not accepting your results. Go do it all over again. You run the risk of politics getting involved in that.

I think as a community, we are satisfied that Susan Bucher did a proper job and as you just showed, you just certified her results. This is that needless step that should be cut out of our process, and, you know, we should not have to go through this mess like, Oh, well, last Wednesday -- or last -- what was it, last Wednesday or Thursday, you know, we have to go publicly noticed to have something Monday, and then a memo came out said, Oh, well. We're going to do it June 1st, and now we're coming back to today. This whole mess doesn't have to be that way.

You should look into how other communities do it. They get the certification; they swear the person in. So that's my comments. Let's try to get this done so we don't have all this drama going back and forth the next time we have an election. Thank you.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Thank you. I have no other Public Comment cards so I'm going to now call for the question.

(3) CERTIFICATION OF THE FINAL RESULTS OF THE MAY 17, 2016 SPECIAL RUN-OFF ELECTION.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Councilperson Davis Johnson?

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Miss Tawanna Smith?

MUNICIPAL RECORDS SPECIALIST SMITH: Yes.

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: Unanimous vote. Are there any other comments by the board?

MUNICIPAL RECORDS SPECIALIST SMITH: None.

COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON: None.

ADJOURNMENT

CITY CLERK ANTHONY: This meeting is adjourned.

(CONCLUSION OF CANVASSING BOARD MEETING)

APPROVED:

THOMAS A. MASTERS
MAYOR

TERENCE D. DAVIS
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY
CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CLERK
CITY CLERK

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CHAIR PRO TEM

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COUNCILPERSON

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DATE APPROVED: APRIL 5, 2017