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3 **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING**
4 **OF THE EMERALD ISLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**
5 **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2014 – 6PM**
6 **ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM**

7 **Call To Order**
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9 The special meeting of the Emerald Isle Board of Commissioners was called to
10 order by Mayor Eddie Barber at 6:00 PM in the Administration Building
11 Conference Room.

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13 **2. Roll Call**
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15 Present for the meeting: Mayor Eddie Barber, Commissioners Tom Hoover,
16 Floyd Messer, John Wootten, and Maripat Wright.

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18 Also present: Town Manager Frank Rush, and Town Clerk Rhonda Ferebee.
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20 **3. Moment of Silence in Honor of Nita Hedreen**
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22 All present observed a moment of silence in memory and honor of Nita Hedreen.
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24 **4. Adoption of Agenda**
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26 *Motion was made by Commissioner Hoover to amend the Agenda adding*
27 *Closed Session following Item 7 pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(5), for the*
28 *Purpose of Discussing Potential Real Estate Acquisition. The Board voted*
29 *unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.*
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31 **5. Public Comment**
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33 There were no comments from the public.
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35 **6. Appointment of New Town Commissioner to Serve the Remainder of**
36 **Nita Hedreen's Unexpired Term (Expires 2017)**
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38 Commissioner Messer nominated Jim Normile to serve the remaining term of
39 Nita Hedreen. Commissioner Messer stated that Mr. Normile recently sold his
40 business and retired, previously served on the Board of Adjustment and currently
41 served on the Planning Board. He felt he was the right guy for the job.
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43 Commissioner Wootten added that he served with Mr. Normile on the EDC
44 Committee and was very impressed by him.
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1 Mayor Barber commented that he sat next to Jim on the Planning Board for many
2 years and he was always so well prepared, attended all the meetings, very
3 conscientious, and took time to make thoughtful conversation.

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5 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to appoint Jim Normile to serve***
6 ***as Commissioner for the remainder of Nita Hedreen's unexpired term. The***
7 ***Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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9 **7. Comments from Town Manager**

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11 Town Manager Rush wanted to state for the record that the Town Charter
12 amended to create the staggered system in 2002, was a little bit unique in that
13 there were 3 seats up every two years, with the top two vote getters serving a
14 four year term, and the 3rd place vote getter serving a two year term, but he
15 wanted to make them aware that general statute stated that if someone's term
16 was vacated within the first two years of a four year term they only served until
17 the next general election which in our case would be November 2015, however
18 the Town Charter which governed in this case stated someone appointed served
19 the remainder of the unexpired term. Mr. Rush just wanted to reaffirm that
20 because it was a little different than in some other places because that was the
21 way our Town Charter was written, and that was verified with legal council for the
22 Board of Elections and our Town Attorney Richard Stanley, so Mr. Normile would
23 serve until December 2017.

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25 Mr. Rush also mentioned to the Board that with Jim Normile's appointment to the
26 Board of Commissioners they now had two vacancies on the Planning Board
27 because Fred Fremaux had moved out of Emerald Isle. Mr. Rush said back in
28 January the Board advertised and accepted applications for individuals interested
29 in serving on the Planning Board, and then again in May they made an additional
30 appointment and the Board drew from those same people who applied in
31 January. There were still 6 people who had indicated in May they would still be
32 interested in serving on the Planning Board and the question was whether the
33 Board wanted to choose from those individuals or to solicit new applications.
34 Commissioner Wootten said there were also members on the Board of
35 Adjustment who could be moved up too. The Board directed Town Clerk Rhonda
36 Ferebee to contact the 6 individuals previously interested along with Ryan Ayre
37 and Brandon Staton, as well as the current Board of Adjustment members and
38 have the appointments on the Board's September 9 meeting agenda.

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40 **8. Added – Closed Session Pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(5), for the**
41 **Purpose of Discussing Potential Real Estate Acquisition**

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43 ***Motion was made by Commissioner Hoover to enter Closed Session. The***
44 ***Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.***

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Motion was made by Commissioner Messer to return to Open Session. The Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.

There was no action taken by the Board following Closed Session.

9. Adjourn

Motion was made by Commissioner Hoover to adjourn the meeting. The Board voted unanimously 4-0 in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda C. Ferebee, CMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk