

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD ON JANUARY 24, 2011
AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
121 S.W. FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**Mayor Jeffrey Krauskopf
Vice Mayor James Christie Jr.
Commissioner Michael Mortell
Commissioner Mary L. Hutchinson
Commissioner Carol Waxler**

**Commissioner Elect Eula R. Clarke
Commissioner Elect Troy A. McDonald**

**Also in attendance were:
City Manager Dan Hudson
City Attorney Paul J. Nicoletti
City Clerk Cheryl White**

Pastor Jim Brocius delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Commission.

Mayor Krauskopf recognized in the audience, former City Commissioner Gene Rifkin, Former City Attorney Bill Scott, and his wife Kathy, former Martin County Commissioner Lee Webberman.

Commissioner Carol Waxler said it was nice to see everyone here tonight for the two new City Commissioners. She said it was nice to serve at the pleasure of the voters and residents of the City of Stuart. She said she was very proud of the City's accomplishments during her term, and praised the outstanding City staff. She felt that she was leaving the City in good hands. Waxler also noted her two fondest memories of her tenure on the Commission including being Mayor and going to the Stuart Air Show on a Friday night and being able to "hang out" with the pilots at the air show, and marching in the Christmas Parade as an Elf along with Commissioner Hutchinson outfitted as Sammi Sailfish. She wished the Commissioners elect all the best of luck and her advice to them was that they please try and form a consensus and do what we felt was in the best interest of the City, and I think you will do so, thank you.

Commissioner Mary Hutchinson echoed Waxler's sentiments and noted that when she was first elected to the Commission six years ago and attended her first Commission meeting I looked like a deer in the headlights of a car, because I felt that way. She said it has been a pleasure to serve everyone, and staff is wonderful. I will miss working with all of them. That is one thing we are the Commission but we do work alongside the staff, and respected one another. We have accomplished allot, and when I started here we did not have e-mail so we have come a long way. The City is near and dear to my heart. I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve you, and it has been my pleasure, and my honor.

Mayor Krauskopf presented plaques of appreciation for their public service to both Commissioner Hutchinson and Commissioner Waxler.

City Manager Hudson gave a visual presentation showing that as part of the City's Tree Planting Program "Pink Tabebuia Trees" will be planted in honor of their service to the City at the Tree Park located at the end of Osceola near Kruger Creek.

PRESENTATIONS

1. RESOLUTION 11-2011 A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Stuart, Florida confirming the results of the 2011 Run-off Municipal Election for the City Commission Group III and Group V

MOTION: COMMISSIONER WAXLER: MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 11-2011

SECOND: COMMISSIONER HUTCHINSON

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Oath of Office: Troy A. McDonald and Eula R. Clarke

Martin County Judge Steve Levin administered the Oath of Office to Eula Clarke and Troy McDonald to the City Commission.

Opening Comments by newly elected City Commissioner's Clarke and McDonald:

Commissioner Clarke thanked everyone for coming out tonight. She thanked her husband and her church family and friends. She echoed both Commissioner Hutchinson and Waxler's comments and hopes to achieve what they have done during her term in office.

Commissioner McDonald thanked everyone for coming tonight and was happy to see the show of support. He thanked his wife most of all. He said his father-in-law gave him a newspaper clipping from 1953 regarding an event where Boy Scouts were Commission for the day and adopted several Resolutions.

3. Employee of the Year Award – Matthew Cernuto Employee of the Year Runner-up Award – Mary Kindel

Employee of the Year runner-up Mary Kindel graciously accepted her award and thanked the City.

Employee of the Year Matthew Cernuto was unable to attend.

4. Employee of the Month for January

Mike Marshall – Utilities Division Wastewater Collection Team

Mike Marshall came forward and graciously accepted his award and thanked the City.

5. Employee Service Recognition

**Dennis Abell, Police Department, 30 Years
George Sumner, Jr., Fire Rescue, 15 Years
David Lawson, Fire Rescue, 15 Years
Alex Ginossi, Fire Rescue, 10 Years
Enrique Sosa, Fire Rescue, 10 Years
Robert Callaham, Fire Rescue, 5 Years**

Robert Phelps, Vehicle Maintenance Team, 5 Years

All employees were recognized for their service and presented a plaque.

Unable to attend were:

George Sumner, Alex Ginossi, Enrique Sosa and Robert Callaham.

COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Clarke quoted from Daniel Burnham a famous Urban Planner. She also quoted from the Bible saying, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." Let us look forward to a greater day in Stuart!

Commissioner Mortell thanked outgoing Commissioner Mary Hutchinson and Carol Waxler for their service to the City and welcomed the new commissioners to the Commission.

Vice Mayor Christie thanked both Commissioner Waxler and Hutchinson and stated they did a tremendous job to move this City along, and to keep it as it is. I welcome both Commissioner Clarke and McDonald, and look forward to working with them for the next two years.

Mayor Krauskopf gave a copy to the City Managers of the International Council of Shopping Centers brochure and asked the City to explore the opportunity to attend their annual meeting as it relates to the revitalization of the CRA.

He also thanked both Commissioner Waxler and Hutchinson for their work on the Commission. He said each Commissioner will find a niche that they are passionate about and enjoy working in and stated the new Commissioners will too find that niche, and that specialty that will get you a sparkle in your eye.

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Hudson announced refreshments are available to everyone after tonight's meeting in the hallway. He also stated there was an orientation public meeting scheduled for the newly elected Commissioners on Monday January 31, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. He said there were no requests to pull any agenda items but had a couple of questions regarding Rac Trac plat. He did confirm the applicant paid additional fees for the second application.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE: MOVED APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
SECOND: COMMISSIONER MORTELL
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Caryn Yost Rudge came forward and stated how pleasant and good it is when brother dwell together in unity.

William Rudge welcomed the new Commissioners, and asked the Commission: How much money was spent this morning when the Police Chief babysat in my yard, the proceedings, for several hours? "I would like to know what the cost of that was to the

City was?" Anybody have an answer, no. You all got some paperwork, and I guess you can review that, and welcome. We're off to a good start in the New Year, Thank you.

He presented the Commission a letter.

Margo Graff, Habitat of Martin County came forward and thanked the City for the overwhelming support given to Habitat for their Gold Award winning three green homes. She welcomed the Commission to attend the dedication of the last green home on February 9, 2011 at 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Krauskopf asked for an email regarding the event.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 6. Request to approve the minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of January 10, 2011**
- 7. RESOLUTION 05-2011 Authorization to Execute an Agreement with Martin County and the Florida Communities Trust ("FCT") for the transfer of certain property described in the Grant Award Agreement for the purpose of the Willoughby Boulevard Extension**
- 8. RESOLUTION 06-2011 Authorization to approve the execution of Amendment No. 1 to the Unit Price Contract ITB 2011-259 for the irrigation quality (IQ) between the City of Stuart, Felix Associates, LLC and Martin County Contract AR 2007-2022**
- 9. RESOLUTION 08-2011 Authorization to Execute an Interlocal Agreement with Martin County regarding improvements to the Downtown Stuart Pedestrian Crosswalks, authorizing a budget amendment to the 2010-2011 Annual General Fund and Infrastructure Sales Tax Fund Annual Operating Budgets; Authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of \$322,811.00 to fund the Downtown Crosswalks project to be reimbursed by Martin County from Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Local Agency Program (LAP) Transportation Enhancement Grant Fund Proceeds**
- 10. RESOLUTION 09-2011 Authorization to apply for a grant from the Martin County Children's Services Council to offset the costs of new staff and programs and expanding current programs in the 10th Street Community Center and if awarded, authorize the City to accept the grant, sign and execute the contract with the Children's Service Council**
- 11. RESOLUTION 10-2011 Authorization to approve a site plat titled "Racetrac at Marketplace Square" prepared by Bloomster Professional Land Surveyors Incorporated**

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORTELL: MOVED APPROVAL OF THE
CONSENT CALENDAR

SECOND: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE

ROLL CALL

MAYOR KRAUSKOPF YES COMMISSIONER MORTELL YES

VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE YES
COMMISSIONER MCDONALD YES

COMMISSIONER CLARKE YES

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

COMMISSION ACTION

12. Appointments of City Commissioners to Community Boards

City Manager Hudson announced the item and that there were four remaining vacancies on various boards.

Commissioner McDonald said he would serve on the Business Development Board as well as the Airport Advisory Board.

Commissioner Clarke was happy to serve on the Council of the Arts, and the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

City Manager Hudson said he would report to the various agencies the new appointments.

Commissioner Clarke thanked Judge Levin for coming tonight.

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION

ADJOURNMENT:6:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

Cheryl White, CMC, City Clerk

Jeffrey A. Krauskopf, Mayor

Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission Meeting This 14th Day February 2011.