

**MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA
NOVEMBER 27, 2007
(5:03 P.M.)**

Proceedings of a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County, Florida, held in the auditorium at the County Administration Building, 4020 Lewis Speedway (County Road 16-A) and U.S. 1 North, St. Augustine, Florida.

Proof of publication of the notice of reorganization of the St. Johns County Board of County Commissioners was received, having been published in *The St. Augustine Record* on November 16, 2007.

Present were: Ben Rich, District 3, Chairman
Thomas G. Manuel, District 4, Vice Chairman
Cyndi Stevenson, District 1
Ron Sanchez, District 2
James Bryant, District 5
Michael D. Wanchick, County Administrator
Patrick McCormack, County Attorney
Lenora Newsome, Deputy Clerk

Also present: Cheryl Strickland, Clerk of Court

(11/27/07 - 1 - 5:03 p.m.)
CALL TO ORDER OF SPECIAL MEETING

Rich called the meeting to order.

(11/27/07 - 1 - 5:03 p.m.)
REVIEW OF NOMINATING PROCEDURES FOR ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

Rich reviewed the meeting procedures.

(11/27/07 - 1 - 5:04 p.m.)
ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Rich nominated Tom Manuel for Chairman of the Board, seconded by Stevenson. Rich stated that in the event something should go wrong, he was also nominating Ron Sanchez for Chairman of the Board. Sanchez declined the nomination. **The motion carried 5/0.**

(11/27/07 - 1 - 5:07 p.m.)
ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Rich nominated Ron Sanchez for Vice-chairman, and Sanchez declined it. **Sanchez nominated Cyndi Stevenson for Vice-chairperson, seconded by Bryant.** Manuel voiced his concerns about Stevenson being Vice-chairperson. Discussion followed. (5:09 p.m.) **The motion carried 5/0.**

(11/27/07 - 1 - 5:10 p.m.)
PRESENTATION OF RECOGNITION AWARDS TO THE PAST CHAIR BEN RICH AND PAST VICE-CHAIR THOMAS G. MANUEL

Manuel commented on Rich doing an excellent job as chairman.

(5:12 p.m.) Wanchick presented the recognition awards; giving Rich his own private gavel and Manuel a plaque.

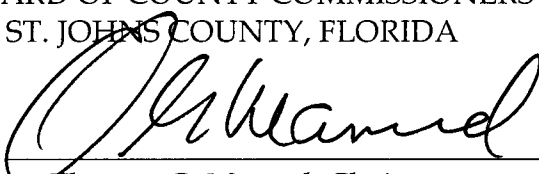
(5:16 p.m.) **Motion by Bryant, seconded by Rich, carried 5/0, to reinstate the Board rules.**

(5:18 p.m.) **Motion by Bryant, seconded by Rich, carried 5/0, to adjourn the meeting.** With there being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Approved _____ February 5 _____, 2008

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: _____


Thomas G. Manuel, Chairman

ATTEST: CHERYL STRICKLAND, CLERK

By: _____


Deputy Clerk