

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

5:00 PM

The Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, met in special session on November 20, 2018 at 5:00 PM in the Government Center Commission Room, Building C, 2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way, Viera, Florida.

**ITEM A., CALL TO ORDER: 5:00 PM**

| <b>Attendee Name</b> | <b>Title</b>                       | <b>Status</b> | <b>Arrived</b> |
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| Rita Pritchett       | Commissioner District 1            | Present       |                |
| Bryan Lober          | Vice Chair Commissioner District 2 | Present       |                |
| John Tobia           | Commissioner District 3            | Present       |                |
| Curt Smith           | Commissioner District 4            | Present       |                |
| Kristine Isnardi     | Chair Commissioner District 4      | Present       |                |

**ITEM B., MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Commissioner Pritchett called for a moment of silence.

**ITEM C., PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Pritchett led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM D., OATHS OF OFFICE, ADMINISTERED BY DEPUTY CHIEF JUDGE, DAVID DUGAN, AND JUDGE GARAGOZLO, RE: CURT SMITH, DISTRICT 4 AND BRYAN LOBER, DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONERS**

Honorable Judge John David Dugan administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Curt Smith.

Honorable Judge Benjamin Garagozlo administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Bryan A. Lober.

**CURT SMITH, DISTRICT 4 COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Smith stated he is back.

**BRYAN LOBER, DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Lober stated he is going to keep it brief as he believes actions speak louder than words; he thanked everyone in attendance that helped in any way with him becoming the District 2 Commissioner; and he introduced his mother-in-law, his sister-in-law, his wife, his brother who flew in from Texas, his mom and dad, and his 91-year old grandmother.

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**ITEM E.1., SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON, RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS YEAR 2018-2019**

The Board appointed Commissioner Kristine Isnardi as Chair of the Board of County Commissioners.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>                      |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Bryan Lober, Vice Chair Commissioner District 2 |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Curt Smith, Commissioner District 4             |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Pritchett, Lober, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi         |

**ITEM E.1., SELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON, RE: BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS YEAR 2018-2019**

The Board appointed Commissioner Bryan A. Lober as Vice Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>              |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | John Tobia, Commissioner District 3     |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Curt Smith, Commissioner District 4     |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Pritchett, Lober, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi |

**ITEM E.2., PERMISSION, RE: USE OF CURRENT CHAIR'S SIGNATURE PLATE**

The Board granted permission to continue to use the current Chair's signature plates for signing Payroll and Accounts Payable checks until the new signature plates can be obtained with the new Chair's signature.

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>              |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Rita Pritchett, Commissioner District 1 |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Curt Smith, Commissioner District 4     |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | Pritchett, Lober, Tobia, Smith, Isnardi |

**PRESENTATION BY CHAIR KRISTINE ISNARDI**

Chair Isnardi presented a plaque to former Chair Pritchett. She stated she ran the most seamless meetings she ever sat through; everybody does a good job but she did a fine job; she really appreciates her leadership; and she is looking forward to Commissioner Pritchett's assistance in getting through this because she knows it can be a lot to manage with different cards coming in, with public comments, and with the complex issues. She noted it was an honor to serve as Vice Chair under her.

**ITEM G.3., RITA PRITCHETT, DISTRICT 1 COMMISSIONER**

Commissioner Pritchett wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. She congratulated Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Lober; and she stated this is going to be a great year.

**ITEM G.5., JOHN TOBIA, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 3**

Commissioner Tobia stated there was a tradition in the Florida House that the newly elected members were hazed a little bit; he has a PowerPoint set up; for those who are unaware, this is Winks, he was Commissioner Lober's de-facto Campaign Manager and he did a wonderful job; and this is Winks Top Six Guide to Becoming a County Commissioner. He continued the first one is practical, there is a bathroom right behind the Dais, some of these meetings drag on and he will find that very useful; number two is to always remember, Assistant County Manager, Jim Liesenfelt's 50 laws, known as Liesenfelt's Laws; these include, "I'm not very good at birthday things, however, I like ice cream"; and he pointed out Jim Liesenfelt and stated his picture is seen on the busses. He went on to say the woman to the left, do not challenge Eden Bentley, County Attorney, to anything physical as she can do a wide variety of sports including wind surfing, and she will put people to shame; she is not only a great attorney, she is also an extreme sports woman. He stated Mr. Denninghoff, Assistant County Manager, is extremely knowledgeable on almost everything; when it comes to Brevard County development, infrastructure, and capacity he can pass along a wealth of information, including but not limited to the name of the first dirt road created here in Brevard County by the natives; and he is sure he could go into detail about each and every one of those individuals, the acreage of each piece of land owned by Brevard County's first settlers, and which road in Melbourne had the first street light. He noted he did not pick on Mr. Abbate because he and Billy are afraid of him. He added Bitmoji's are not an appropriate form of communication while respecting sunshine; and to never take fashion advice from Ian Golding, Housing and Human Services Director. He went on to welcome Commissioner Lober to the Board; he stated it has an absolute fabulous staff that is there to help all of them succeed no matter what his or her agenda may be; and he advised Mr. Lober to take full advantage of the wit, and the breadth of knowledge that staff has to offer. He stated South Florida counties like West Palm Beach have made a mockery of the rest of Florida; the main job of a Supervisor of Elections is to count votes correctly; Brenda Snipes and Susan Butcher could not even accomplish that and meet a simple deadline; both counties made Florida a laughing stock; what gets lost in this is just how darn good of a job the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections, Lori Scott, does; and he commended her and her staff for the swift and precise action they took during this year's general election. He noted when both the Chair of the Republican party and the Democratic party praise the efforts and the transparency of the job she is doing, she is certainly doing something for all the citizens of Brevard County; and her level of professionalism and accuracy is something other counties should strive for. He added this Board would be remiss without thanking Commissioner Pritchett who sat on that Canvassing Board for hours and hours and hours; and he thanked her for ensuring that Brevard County came up with an accurate and good vote total. He went on to say he is afraid of sitting on a Canvassing Board, so he is sending over his list of requests for board appointments to Chair Isnardi; and he noted the Canvassing Board is not one of them.

**ITEM G.7., KRISTINE ISNARDI, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 5**

Chair Isnardi thanked the Board for its confidence in her as the Chair; she stated she will do her best for the citizens and the Board; she welcomed Commissioner Lober; and she noted it is very exciting to have a change on the Board. She continued by welcoming Commissioner Smith back, as well.

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**ITEM G.6., CURT SMITH, COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 4**

Commissioner Smith thanked Commissioner Pritchett for doing such an outstanding job as Chair; he congratulated Chair Isnardi and stated he knows she will do an outstanding job, he knew that when he nominated her last year as Vice Chair; and he welcomed Commissioner Lober to the Board. He commented the Board has an outstanding staff; he advised Commissioner Lober to use them because it is the best way to learn; he wished him luck in remembering all of the staff's names; and he noted he had a really hard time remembering the acronyms, he has a list that is about two pages long. He mentioned County staff will talk to him using acronyms and that he will be so confused, but to be patient because it will come to him; he commented that Commissioner Tobia's PowerPoint was outstanding; and he thanked everyone that helped him get re-elected. He went on to say staff has a wealth of information, and they will never let the Board down.

Upon consensus of the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.

ATTEST:



*Scott Ellis*  
SCOTT ELLIS, CLERK

*Kristine Isnardi*  
KRISTINE ISNARDI, CHAIR  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

As approved by the Board 12/4/18

## Kimberly Powell

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**From:** Kimberly Powell  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 27, 2018 11:10 AM  
**To:** Commissioner District 1; Commissioner District 2; Commissioner District 3; Commissioner District 4; Commissioner District 5; Eden Bentley; Sally Lewis  
**Subject:** 11-20-2018 Organizational minutes approval  
**Attachments:** 11-20-2018 Organizational.doc

Attached are the minutes from the November 20, 2018, organizational meeting to be considered by the Board on December 4, 2018.

Have a great day.

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