

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Office of The Town Clerk

MINUTES OF THE 98TH ANNUAL TOWN CAUCUS HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2010

A CAUCUS OF THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH WAS HELD IN THE VICKI AND PETER HALMOS FAMILY ACTIVITIES CENTER AT 250 SEAVIEW AVENUE, PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AT 8:00 P.M. ON JANUARY 5, 2010, FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR THREE TOWN COUNCIL SEATS IN GROUPS ONE, TWO AND THREE, EACH FOR TWO YEAR TERMS.

The 98th Annual Town Caucus was held in the Vicki and Peter Halmos Family Activities Center at 250 Seaview Avenue, at the above named time pursuant to the call and notice thereof, which was published in the Palm Beach Daily News, a newspaper in Palm Beach County, Florida, on the following named dates:

December 21, 2009

December 28, 2009

January 4, 2010

I. Call to Order

The Caucus was called to order by Mayor Jack McDonald, who stated its object and advised of other required procedures of candidates who would be nominated this date, as set out in the Town of Palm Beach Code of Ordinances and Florida State Statutes. The Mayor advised all nominated candidates to contact the Office of the Town Clerk to obtain and file all necessary information. The final qualifying date for candidates to file with the Town Clerk was Wednesday, January 6, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

II. Election of Caucus Officers

Mayor McDonald advised that the first order of business of this 98th Caucus was to elect Caucus Officers, consisting of a Caucus Chairperson and a Caucus Secretary. Pursuant to the Town Charter and Town Code, only qualified voters may participate in the Town Caucus. Each nominator must state his or her name and street address.

A. Caucus Chairperson

On motion of Ms. Madelyn Greenberg, 3360 S. Ocean Blvd., the nomination of Mr. William Guttman, 216 West Indies Dr., for Caucus Chairperson was made.

Mayor McDonald called for further nominations.

On motion of Mr. Peter Rock, 44 Cocoanut Row, the nomination of Former Mayor Deede Marix, 1570 N. Ocean Blvd., for Caucus Chairperson was made.

Mayor McDonald announced that it was his prerogative and privilege to recommend a chairperson. The Charters does allow for more than one nomination. In order to determine who the Chairperson would be, there obviously would have to be a vote. And generally the Charter would provide for a voice vote. But because only registered voters can vote, he did not feel a voice vote could be used since there would be no way to verify if all were registered voters. He added that to settle the election of Chairperson would require that the Town Clerk verify each elector in the Town on the voter rolls and have each resident provide identification and proof that they are registered voters and their address, if Ms. Marix wished to keep her name in the nomination.

Former Mayor Marix was appreciative and grateful, and graciously thanked Mr. Rock for the nomination, but in order to move things along withdrew her name from the nomination for Caucus Chairperson.

Mr. William Guttman was elected unanimously, by acclamation, as Chairperson of the 98th Caucus and assumed the duties of the office. Mr. Guttman assumed the office of chairperson, and called for nominations for a Caucus Secretary. Chairperson Guttman reminded all that pursuant to the Town Charter and Code, only qualified voters or electors of the Town were permitted to participate in this 98th Caucus. Each nominator must state his or her name and address.

B. Caucus Secretary

Mr. Harris Fried, 44 Cocoanut Row, nominated Ms. Joanna Cunningham, 2560 South Ocean Blvd., for Caucus Secretary. There being no further nominations, Ms. Cunningham was elected unanimously by acclamation and declared the 98th Caucus Secretary.

III. Nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group One

Chairperson Guttman called for nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group One, the seat currently held by Richard Kleid. The office is for a two year term, to be voted at the general election to be held on February 2, 2010. A nomination to be valid must be made by a Town elector and must receive two seconds, each seconder being a Town elector. Each nominator must state the name and street address of the person being nominated, and each nominator and seconder must state his or her own name and street address.

Mr. Alec Flamm, 2000 S. Ocean Blvd, nominated Mr. Richard Kleid, 2660 S. Ocean Blvd., as a candidate for Group One. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Barbara (Bobbie) Lindsay, 212 Caribbean Rd., and by Mr. Brian Burns, 217 Via Tortuga.

Chairperson Guttman called for further nominations.

Mr. Randolph Araskog, 320 El Vedado Road, nominated Mr. Jeffrey Cloninger, as a candidate for Group One. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Michael Spaziani, 322 Seaspray Ave, Ms. Anne Pepper, 333 Seaspray Ave., Mr. William Hancock, 330 S. Ocean Blvd., Mr. Douglas Rill, 2285 Ibis Isle Road, and by Mr. Allen Wyatt, 1145 N. Lake Way.

Chairperson Guttman called for further nominations, and there were none. After a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to close nominations, he declared the nominations for Group 1 Candidates were closed, and announced the candidates would stand and state their address:

Mr. Richard Kleid stood and was recognized.

Mr. Richard Kleid
2660 S. Ocean Blvd.

Mr. Jeffrey Cloninger stood and was recognized.

Jeffrey Cloninger
411 Brazilian Ave.

IV. Nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group Two

Chairperson Guttman then called for nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group Two, for a two year term, the seat currently held by David A. Rosow. The office is for a two year term, to be voted at the general election to be held on February 2, 2010. A nomination to be valid must be made by a Town elector and must receive two seconds, each seconder being a Town elector. Each nominator must state the name and street address of the person being nominated, and each nominator and seconder must state his or her own name and street address.

Mr. Anthony Dowell, 101 E. Inlet Drive, placed in nomination the name of Mr. David A. Rosow, 1460 N. Lake Way, for a candidate for Group Two. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Paula Granoff, 14 Sloan's Curve Drive, and by Mr. Richard Callahan, 345 Seaspray Ave.

Chairperson Guttman called for further nominations.

Mr. Eric Gilbertson, 151 Chilean Ave, nominated Ms. Cynthia Simonson, 235 Sunrise Ave, for Group Two. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Lowell Levine, 254 Palmo Way, Mr. Peter Rock, 44 Cocoanut Row and by Ms. Connie (Constance) Gasque, 167 Root Trail.

Chairperson Guttman called for further nominations, and there were none. After a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to close nominations, he declared the nomination for Group Two Candidates were closed, and announced the candidates would stand and state their address:

Ms. Cynthia Simonson stood and was recognized.

Cynthia Simonson

1 235 Sunrise Ave.

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3 Mr. David A. Rosow stood and was recognized.

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5 David A. Rosow
6 1460 N. Lake Way
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9 V. Nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group Three

10 Chairperson Guttman then called for nominations for the Town Council Seat for Group Three,
11 the seat currently held by Robert Wildrick. The office is for a two year term, to be voted at the
12 general election to be held on February 2, 2010. A nomination to be valid must be made by a
13 Town elector and must receive two seconds, each seconder being a Town elector. Each
14 nominator must state the name and street address of the person being nominated, and each
15 nominator and seconder must state his or her own name and street address.

16 Ms. Wendy Victor, 208 Via Tortuga, placed in nomination the name of Mr. Robert Wildrick, 220
17 Nightingale Trail, for a candidate for Group Three. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Ida
18 Goldstein, 3120 S. Ocean Blvd., Ms. Allison Wren, 170 Chilean Ave., and by Mr. Lewis
19 Crampton, 2335 S. Ocean Blvd.
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21 Chairperson Guttman called for further nominations, and there were none.
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23 After a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to close nominations, he declared
24 the nominations for Group Three Candidates were closed, and announced the candidate would
25 stand and state his name and address:
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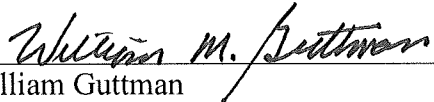
27 Mr. Robert Wildrick stood and was recognized.

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29 Robert Wildrick
30 220 Nightingale Trail
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33 VI. Adjournment

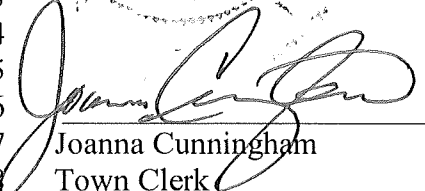
34 Chairperson Guttman thanked all of the candidates, and reminded them to promptly contact the
35 Town Clerk for information about additional required procedures, pursuant to Section 5.05 of the
36 Town Charter. He advised that when there were two or more persons qualified as candidates, the
37 person receiving a majority of the votes cast in the General Election on Tuesday, February 2,
38 2010, shall be declared to be elected. If no person receives a majority of the votes cast, there
39 shall be a runoff election, to be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2010, which is two (2) weeks
40 subsequent to the General Election, between the two (2) candidates receiving the largest number
41 of votes cast in the General Election. The person receiving the larger number of votes cast in
42 such runoff election shall be declared elected.
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1 There being no further business to come before the Caucus, upon motion duly made, seconded,
2 and carried, the Caucus meeting was adjourned at 9: 20 p.m. The Chairperson and the Secretary
3 were authorized to sign and present a Certificate of this 98th Caucus to the Town Council at their
4 meeting scheduled for Friday, January 8, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. to Call the Election.
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8 William Guttman
9 Caucus Chairperson
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11 ATTEST:

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14 Joanna Cunningham
15 Caucus Secretary
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18 Joanna Cunningham
Town Clerk