



Brevard County Board of County Commissioners

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Legislation Text

File #: 2415, **Version:** 1

Subject:

Two Appointments to the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee

Fiscal Impact:

No Cost

Dept/Office:

Natural Resources Management

Requested Action:

It is requested that the Board of County Commissioners 1) rank candidates to fill the vacant member seats for Real Estate and Technology and 2) appoint the top ranked candidates.

Summary Explanation and Background:

On August 23, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 1615 for the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan and Trust Fund. The Ordinance called for establishment of a Citizen Oversight Committee (Committee) to make recommendations to the County Commission regarding annual updates to the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan that is funded by the half cent Save Our Indian River Lagoon sales tax. The Committee structure consists of 7 members and 7 alternates representing 7 fields of expertise: Science, Technology, Economics/Finance, Real Estate, Education/Outreach, Tourism, and Lagoon Advocacy. Terms are for 2 years, after which members and alternates can be reappointed or replaced.

Half of the Committee is nominated by the Space Coast League of Cities and half the Committee is selected by the County Commission, with all seats appointed by the County Commission. If replacement members or alternates are required, the entity who selected that member can:

- 1) upgrade the alternate to the member seat,
- 2) choose a replacement from the existing pool of applicants (the pool is empty), or
- 3) request a new call for qualified citizen volunteers.

On December 8, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners considered the following options for filling the member seats that will be vacated in February by Jay Moynahan (Real Estate) and John Luznar (Technology): (1) Promote Dennis Basile and Vinnie Taranto from the Alternate Seats to the respective Member Seats; or (2) direct staff to advertise for new applicants. The Board directed staff to advertise for new applicants. Advertisements were posted. There are three applications for the Real Estate seat and eight applications for the Technology seat.

After public comment on this item, each Commissioner will rank the applicants for each seat from 1 to 3, assigning number 1 to the top ranked candidate, 2 to the second ranked candidate and 3 to the third ranked

candidate. All remaining candidates will be assigned a rank of 4. Staff will tabulate the ranking scores during the Board meeting and report the results to the Commission for their appointment of the top ranked applicant. A ranking sheet is attached.

If the County Commission selects an existing Alternate to fill a Member seat, this would vacate the alternate seat. The new pool of applicants would be sent to the Space Coast League of Cities for them to make a recommendation on filling the Alternate seat and the recommended selection by the League would be brought to the County Commission for approval.

Clerk to the Board Instructions:

None