The Town of Atlantic Beach Town Council Special Call Meeting was held and recorded at Atlantic Beach Community Center, 1010 32nd Avenue South, Atlantic Beach, South Carolina, on the 28th day of November, 2023, and transcribed by Amanda Godfrey, Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of South Carolina.
APPEARANCES

COUNCIL MEMBERS:
Mayor Jake Evans, Chairman
Councilman Edward Lamar Campbell
Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore

ADMINISTRATION:
Benjamin Quattlebaum Jr., Town Manager
Cheryl Pereira, Town Clerk

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ATLANTIC BEACH SPECIAL CALL MEETING

Call to Order:

MAYOR EVANS: This special meeting is called to order this Tuesday, November 28th, year 2023 at 12:00 o'clock. Roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Here.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Here.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Here.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Here. That determines that we do have a quorum. I want to take this time out to welcome the general public and, if you would, stand at this time for a moment of silence.

(Moment of Silence.)

MAYOR EVANS: And, if you would, a Pledge of Allegiance.

(Pledge of Allegiance recited in unison.)

MAYOR EVANS: Due to the circumstances surrounding the November election, we thought it was vital that we be here and take -- and carry out this meeting today. Item -- we're down to Item 5., consideration to rescind the dissolution of the Town of Atlantic Beach's Election Commission,
Council, seek a motion.

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I move to reconvene and reaffirm the existence of the Town of Atlantic Beach Municipal Election Commission to the state it had been properly dissolved.

MAYOR EVANS: Need a second.

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second on the floor. Any other questions or comments? If not, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion is granted. Council, we're down to Item 6., which is Executive Session. I'll be seeking a motion to go into Executive Session for the discussion of personnel matters related to the Town of Atlantic Beach's Election Commission and receive legal advice related to ongoing litigation and non-litigation matters.
Council, seek a motion to go into Executive Session for those items.

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: It's been moved and seconded. If there are no other questions or comments, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion's granted.

Executive Session:

(Executive Session.)

MAYOR EVANS: No action was taken in Executive Session, nothing was voted on but, actually, we need a motion to come out of Executive Session into the regular session. Council?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: Motion and a second to come out of the Executive Session into the regular session is
on the floor. Any other questions or comments?
If not, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?
COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?
MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?
COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?
MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion's granted.

General Session:

MAYOR EVANS: We're now in the regular session of
the special meeting and there is some actions
that we're gonna take from the discussion
during Executive Session.

(Inaudible background noise.)

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I move that we remove Election
Commissioner Joe Montgomery for cause in
violation of Section 7-13-75 of the South
Carolina Code.

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and second on the
floor. If there are no other questions or
comments, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?
COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Nay.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion's granted. Is there another item we have there?

(Inaudible background noise.)

MAYOR EVANS: You can go ahead.

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: I move that we authorize legal counsel to take all appropriate and necessary action to request the Town in the current Supreme Court litigation and related matters.

MAYOR EVANS: There is a motion on the floor. Need a second.

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second on the floor. Any other questions or comments? If not, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?
COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion's granted. Council, seek a motion to adjourn.

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: So moved.

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Second.

MAYOR EVANS: There's a motion and a second on the floor to adjourn. Any other questions or comments? If not, roll call.

CLERK: Councilman Edward Campbell?

COUNCILMAN CAMPBELL: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Pro Tem Josephine Isom?

MAYOR PRO TEM ISOM: Yea.

CLERK: Councilwoman Jacqueline Gore?

COUNCILWOMAN GORE: Yea.

CLERK: Mayor Jake Evans?

MAYOR EVANS: Yea. The motion is granted. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

(There being nothing further, the meeting was adjourned.)
CERTIFICATE

This is to certify the transcript of the Atlantic Beach Town Meeting consists of eight (8) pages. This transcript was prepared by me without the benefit of my being present during the meeting. Additionally, this transcript was prepared from an audio recording provided to me.

I further certify that I am neither employed by nor related to any of the parties in this matter or their counsel; nor do I have any interest, financial or otherwise, in the outcome of same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal this November 30, 2023.

Amanda J. Creel Godfrey
Court Reporter

Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: May 27, 2031