



TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH

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MAYOR

Crystal Chissell

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Sheila Jeanne Murchison

COMMISSIONERS

Michele Fuller

G. William Hunter

Sheila Jeanne Murchison

Linda Holmes Newton

Board of Commissioners Swearing-In

Date: August 5, 2023

Attendees: Mayor Chissell and Commissioners Fuller, Newton, and Hunter.
The meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

Swearing-In of Newly Elected Commissioners

Mayor Chissell, having been sworn in on August 4, 2023, administered the oath office to newly elected commissioners, Linda Holmes Newton and G. William Hunter.

General Meeting

Following the swearing-in an informal meeting of the commissioners and citizens was held.

Due to summer travel, the Board of Commissioners meetings for August and September may vary from the usual schedule. Dates will be determined and notifications sent out in advance. Going forward meetings will be held at 10:00 a.m. Meeting format may vary between Zoom and hybrid (in-person and Zoom).

To avoid the elected officials being overburdened, Mayor Chissell would like to utilize a survey collect information about what expertise, skills, and interests exist in the community that may be availed upon to assist in the running of the town.

Meetings will open with the exception of confidential executive sessions.

Opportunities/mechanisms for brainstorming and collecting ideas regarding citizens' concerns and priorities will be established. An (optionally) anonymous grievance collection system will also be put in place.

One of Mayor Chissell's priorities will be updating the town's technology in order to increase efficiency and ease of operations.

Commissioners' assignments will be discussed offline to make decisions on current and new assignments. Positions need to be defined. The possibility of additional commissions or subcommittees to allow for more citizen involvement was raised.

Set next meeting date and adjourn

The next meeting is TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Miller Scott, Town Manager