TOWN OF OLD ORCHARD BEACH EMERGENCY SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

I am hereby calling an Emergency Special Town Council Meeting, per Charter Section 904, on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., at Town Hall, Council Chambers, for the following reasons:

 Discussion with possible action to follow, advanced under emergency dispensation of the normal notification requirements under Division 2 of the Town Council Rules of Procedure, Section 2-52, the meeting to consider the advancing of proposed Charter Amendments modifying the number of Councilors from 7 to 5 members.

The meeting is necessitated due to the consensus of Councilors that the original idea of a non-binding referendum on the question should be advanced in the November 5, 2013 election as a formal proposed amendment of the Town Charter. The statutory schedules governing Charter amendments require the Council to hold the emergency meeting at this time in order to meet other election scheduling requirements and deadlines related to charter amendments.

2. Discussion with possible action to follow regarding proposed amendments to the Town Charter changing the number of Councilors from the current 7 Councilors to 5 Councilors, removing term limits for Councilors, changing the terms of office to 2-year terms, and the Charter transitional provisions and scheduling related thereto; and the setting of a public hearing for September 17, 2013 and directions to the Clerk to issue the statutory notices for the public hearing.

Shawn O'Neill, Chair