



Village of  
**Indiantown**  
**News Release**

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**VILLAGE COUNCIL MEMBERS TO BE SWORN IN THURSDAY, AUGUST 27**

*Ceremony to be held alongside budget workshop and regular Village Council meeting*

**Indiantown, FL** – Indiantown Village Council members Guyton Stone and Janet Hernández will take the oath of office on Thursday, August 27 at 6:30 p.m. during the virtual Regular Village Council meeting. The meeting follows a 5:30 p.m. virtual budget workshop. Both Council members were re-elected to four-year terms on Tuesday, August 18, 2020. Following the swearing-in ceremony, the Council will select a mayor and vice mayor.

The budget workshop, Council meeting and swearing-in ceremony will be live on the Village’s streaming platforms. Links to the workshop and meeting can be found on the Village website calendar, <https://www.indiantownfl.gov/calendar>.

To better reach the non-English speaking residents throughout the community, the budget workshop will be conducted bilingually with a translator present. The first budget workshop, held Thursday, August 13, 2020, was conducted in English. Village Manager Howard W. Brown Jr. has proposed a lean \$4.488 million budget for Fiscal Year 2021, a 9.3% decrease from the 2020 approved budget.

When the Village was incorporated in December 2017, elections were held to select five council members. Of the 10 candidates, the top three vote getters were seated for four-year terms and the fourth and fifth place vote getters were seated to two-year terms. The two-year terms became four-year terms during the 2020 election to ensure staggered seats would be up every two years. The four-year seats are held by Council members Anthony Dowling, Jackie Gary Clarke and Susan Gibbs Thomas and will be up for election in 2022.

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*Indiantown is a rural community in Florida’s Treasure Coast. First established in the early 1900s, then incorporated on December 31, 2017, Florida’s youngest municipality hosts a diverse population of roughly 6,000 residents. While it may be small, its resident engagement is exemplary and its potential for community building and new business opportunity is large. The Village mission seeks to enable economic prosperity and business while building pride and cohesion through hands-on self-governance.*

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