



“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2016

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Kirk, Mr. Mellecker, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Williams, Col. Kline & his Cadets, Emily Baumgartner, Melissa Fox, three (3) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: None

- I. **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:03 PM
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag & Invocation** – Mr. Bass
- III. **Visitors Welcomed & Reminded Meeting Minutes are Being Recorded** – Mr. Bass
- IV. **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit** – None
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Motion Carried.

VI. Presentation

- West Nassau High School AFJROTC – Col. Greg Kline & Top 3 Cadets
 - Col. Kline has replaced his Father as Director of the AFJROTC program and would like to bring his Top Cadets annually to update the Council on what they have been doing in the Community throughout the Year.
 - Top 3 Cadets did their Presentation on Being Citizens of Character & the Top group in the State of Florida.

VII. Business

- Fair Housing Workshop – CDBG Grant
 - Melissa Fox of Fred Fox & Associates updated the Council updated the Council & the Public on what Fair Housing is.
 - There were no questions from the Council or the Public.
- Public Hearing – CDBG Grant
 - Melissa Fox of Fred Fox & Associates reviewed the Grant Details & Requirements.
 - \$650,000 that must be used for Housing Rehabilitation, Community Revitalization, or Neighborhood & Economic Development.
 - Close Regular Meeting & Open Public Hearing -- Mr. Bass at 7:26 PM
 - No Public Comment
 - Close Public Hearing & Open Regular Meeting -- Mr. Bass at 7:27 PM
 - Motion to Resubmit the \$650,000 CDBG Grant by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried
- Resolution 2016-R03 – Westside Historical Society – Railroad Days \$1000
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2016-R03 for \$1000 by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried.

VIII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$16,147.07**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - Discussion: Mrs. Shaw stated that \$8,340 was for the Town Christmas lights.
 - Motion Carried.
- Water & Sewer Fund **\$4,682.77**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried.

- Water & Sewer Disbursements – None
- Water & Sewer Adjustments – None

IX. Around the Council Table

➤ Mayor

- Asked Council to consider a Donation to the ARJROTC program
 - Mrs. Smith agreed.
 - Mr. Mellecker said that he didn't think we should donate since they didn't ask. Mayor Rau said he thinks they did with their Presentation.
 - Council Consensus was to add a Resolution to the next meeting for Consideration.

➤ Mrs. Smith – Parks

- There has been no recent damage to the Park.

➤ Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer

- Stated he had spoken with Mr. Diabella and she has stated that 3 large companies are seriously considering Crawford Diamond through the Enterprise Florida program. Each company could provide the possibility of 1000 jobs each. They also are requesting quotes from the Town for Water & Sewer.
- Stated he had spoken with the Principal of West Nassau High School, Mr. Gaus. Mr. Gaus thanked the Town for getting more Law Enforcement coverage. He also said he would like to look into getting a swimming pool for the school's Swim Team and it be a cooperative thing between the Town & the School Board.

➤ Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer – Nothing

➤ Mrs. Shaw – Streets

- Stated she had spoken with Lt. Graham who is over the School Resource officers. She stated that they had already planned to send a crew to work the School zones, and she would call Mrs. Shaw with an update on the 25th.

➤ Mr. Mellecker – Zoning – Nothing

➤ Mr. Branham – Attorney – Nothing

➤ Mrs. Knagge – Clerk

- Due to President's Day the Meeting on February 15th will need to be moved to Tuesday the 16th.
- Updated the Council on Legislative Changes to Ethics & Financial Disclosure.

➤ Mr. Williams – Town Manager – Nothing

➤ **Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire**

- Stated that he received a letter from Lt. Dan Weidman of the NCFR stating that he has been very pleased with the Training with the Volunteers & how good everyone has been getting along.

X. **Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:42 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk