

“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, Eight (8) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

- I. **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:00 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. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- VI. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - Motion to Approve the Treasurer’s Report by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VII. Presentations

- Mayoral Proclamation
 - Mayor Rau proclaimed May 6 – May 12 as Municipal Clerk’s Week.
 - Thanked Mrs. Knagge for the vital service she provides the Town.

VIII. Business

- The Chamber – Regina Duncan – Fernandina Beach
 - Spoke on the joining of the Chambers to make one unified County.
 - The Office on this side of the County will remain open Tuesday-Thursday.
 - Monthly luncheons will continue on the Westside.
 - Parade & Teacher’s Breakfast will continue.
 - Paul Schwend: Stated the Merger wasn’t approved by all members and stated he feels the Westside Chamber should remain on the Westside.
 - Shirley Graham: Stated that she feels the Westside will be outvoted on everything by the 15 Eastside Board Members against our 6 Board Members. She stated that the vote for the Merge was not handled correctly.
 - Mrs. Duncan rebutted that the Chamber is not one Individual and it is Member based.
 - Mrs. Smith stated the Westside Chambers Responsibility was to help Westside Business and it doesn’t seem that is what will happen with the Merger.
 - Mr. Fontes stated what does this mean for the Town when our primary interest is the Christmas Parade and being a member.
 - Rebuttal – The Town is for the people who need businesses and need to represent.

IX. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund \$9,895.82
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Fund \$23,925.00
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Adjustments
 - Fontes: Resident asked for \$10 late fee adjustment – No motion to approve.
 - Mark Duggar – Sodded yard and asked for a sewer adjustment – No motion to approve.


- Water & Sewer Disbursements
 - \$310.21 to W & S Fund + \$417.65 to Active Customers = \$727.86 Disbursements
 - Motion to Disburse \$727.86 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

X. Around the Council Table

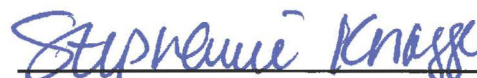
- **Mayor** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Smith – Parks**
 - National of Day of Prayer in the Park turned out very nice with over 100 people attending.
- **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer**
 - Read letter from Tax Payer.
- **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Shaw – Streets** – Nothing
- **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing
- **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**
 - National Day of Prayer May 3rd at 5:30
 - If everyone could please bring in their Green Code Book to Susan for updating.
- **Mr. Williams – Town Manager** – Nothing
- **Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire**
 - Volunteer Fire Department Update
 - Hilliard Volunteer Fire Department is not being paid by the County.
 - All of our guys have had their EVOC Training.

XI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:50 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk

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