



“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2016

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Knagge, six (6) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: Mr. Bass

- I. **Call to Order** – Mrs. Shaw at 7:00 PM
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag & Invocation** – Mrs. Shaw
- III. **Visitors Welcomed & Reminded Meeting Minutes are Being Recorded** – Mrs. Shaw
- IV. **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit** – None
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the May 16th Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried.
- VI. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - Motion to Approve the Treasurer’s Report by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried.

VII. Mayoral Proclamation

- National Garden Week – The Callahan Garden Club
 - Read by: Mayor Rau proclaiming June 5-11, 2016 as National Garden Week
 - Accepted by: Seven (7) Members of the Callahan Garden Club

VIII. Business

- Park Bids – Mr. Williams
 - Mr. Williams stated he had only received two bids for the repaving of the Ewing Park Trail that the Council agreed to pay for, and that he is still awaiting the 3rd Bid.
 - DT Services -- \$23,052
 - Kudzue 3 -- \$18,390
 - Discussion:
 - Mr. Branham stated that since the amount is so high we need to advertise and accept sealed bids.
 - Mr. Mellecker asked if these bids included widening the trails to 6ft. and repaving them. Mr. Williams stated that it did.
 - Mr. Fontes asked if this would include detours around the tree routes. Mr. Williams stated that it would.
 - Council Consensus is for Mike & Mrs. Knagge to advertise for sealed bids and present them at the next Meeting.

IX. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

1. June 6th Expenses:

- General Fund **\$16,513.34**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Fund **\$10,126.80**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Disbursements -- **\$860.57**
 - Discussion:
 - Due to lack of Meeting on June 6th Mr. Fontes went ahead and approved the disbursements.
 - Discussion as to whether or not that is okay to do.
 - Mr. Branham stated to be sure all is on the up & up to accept a motion to authorize the Disbursements.
 - Motion to authorize the Mayor & Mr. Fontes to approve the Disbursements by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.

- No Further Discussion
- Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Adjustments – **None**

2. June 20th Expenses:

- General Fund **\$20,310.46**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Fund **\$12,535.54**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Disbursements -- **None**
- Water & Sewer Adjustments – **None**

X. **Around the Council Table**

- **Mayor** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Smith – Parks**
 - Mike & Crew did a lot of mowing & cleaning up at the Park and it looks great.
 - Still working out all the logistics of the new Park Equipment.
- **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer**
 - Asked to add Laura Dibella from the Nassau County Economic Development Board to the next Agenda. The Board is looking for more money and Mr. Fontes would like to discuss donating some from the Water & Sewer fund this time instead of the General Fund.
 - Read a letter to the Editor from the Newsleader where someone was giving miss information on the Fire Tax. Mr. Fontes stated he felt someone from the town should respond with the correct information and that the papers should do a little better fact checking before printing miss information. Council Consensus was for Mr. Branham to draft a response for Mr. Bass to submit since he is the Fire Commissioner.
- **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Shaw – Streets** – Nothing
- **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing
- **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**

- Meeting Canceled for July 4th.
- July 18th Meeting moved to 6:00 PM to accommodate people attending the Superintendent Debate hosted by the Newsleader & Record.
- July 28th we will host the “Property Appraiser Town Hall Meeting” in the Fire Station Meeting Room at 5:30 PM.

➤ **Mr. Williams – Town Manager**

- Asked Mrs. Smith if she had received the BIDS from Burke yet. She stated she had, but isn’t sure which direction she would like to go yet.

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

XI. **Adjourn**

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:28 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk