



"The Crossroads to the Future"

Town Council Minutes

December 05, 2022 ** 7:00 PM

Present at Meeting: Mayor Knagge, Mr. Bass, Mr. Mellecker, Ms. Shaw, Mrs. Bishop-Vargas, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Gugliuzza
Mrs. Fleming, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Gugliuzza 6 Members of the Community and 2 Members of the Media.
Absent: Mr. Williams

- I. **Call to Order** – Ken Bass at 7:00 PM
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag & Invocation** – Ken Bass
- III. **Visitors Welcomed & Reminded Meeting Minutes are Being Recorded** – Ken Bass
- IV. **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit** – Curtis Lowe 45277 Brown Street Callahan, FL. 32011 spoke to the council about a sewer line that's coming down Dixie and when they build it back. It concerns Mr. Lowe due to the water that builds up already on his property and the ditches being overgrown and backing up also there is a busted culvert on Mickler Street. (Dwayne Miller was present at the meeting and agreed to look at it in the morning and change the collapsed culvert.)
- V. **Mayor Knagge presented Matthew Davis with a plaque honoring him for his service to the Town of Callahan**

VI. Minutes

- Motion to approve the Minutes by Ms. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker
- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

VII. Business:

- Ordinance No: 2022-O06 Mrs. Pearce read the Ordinance No: 2022-O06 out loud for 1st reading
7:11pm Council President Mr. Bass closed regular meeting and open the meeting to the public at 7:14 pm re-opened regular meeting

Public comments: Mr. Dozier 45009 Green Avenue Callahan, FL. 32011 requested that the Scriveners error to the address on the agenda be corrected by the Town Clerk Mrs. Gugliuzza. The Town Clerk will make all necessary changes.

Motion to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance No: 2022-O06 by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
 - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
 - **Motion Carried**
- Resolution 2022-R19 Donation for Hilliard High School A-Team. Mrs. Pearce read Resolution 2022-R19 out loud

Motion to approve the Resolution 2022-R19 by Mrs. Fleming and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker

- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

VIII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures:

General Fund the weeks of November 21st \$12,685.82 & December 1st \$10,147.66 totaling \$22,833.48

Motion to approve General Fund weeks of November 21st & December 1st by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Fleming

- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

Water & Sewer Fund weeks of November 21st \$5,824.58 & December 1st \$31,967.31 totaling \$37,791.89

Motion to approve Water & Sewer Fund weeks of November 21st & December 1st by Ms. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas

- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

IX. November 2022 Disbursements

Motion to approve the amount totaling \$1159.85 for disbursements by Mrs. Fleming and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

X. Around the Council Table

- Mayor – Thank you to everyone who worked on the Parade Float it was beautiful and thank you to everyone who participated for the Movie in the Park. I enjoyed playing Santa for a few hours. I did get an update on the grants from Mike Williams the DEO grants for the water and wastewater. The Town has been receiving some large invoices that are generally due in 30 days, so we had to pay out some large sums. Its coming faster than we can get the pay requests for reimbursement back. Mike Williams and Shawna Gugliuzza have been exploring opening a line of credit with one of the banks Ameris Bank or First Federal Bank so that we do not draw down funds to a level we are uncomfortable with. We may not have to go down that route what triggered this was a \$972,000.00 invoice. If we do move forward both banks are quoting about a 5% interest rate and an administrative fee. I just wanted the council to be aware of everything. Also starting in January, I will start taking some time with each council member to discuss the different departments and see if there is anything I can help with.
- Mrs. Bishop Vargas- On last Tuesday we had a Nassau County Safety Team Meeting and there was a request put a sign in on US 1 and Old Dixie HWY for a No U-Turn they did a field review and recommended against putting the sign up. It is now closed. December is Drunk Driving Prevention Month. Mrs. Bishop-Vargas passed out pamphlets that had recipes for non-alcoholic beverages.
- Mrs. Fleming – This past Thursday we had a meeting with the Nassau County Economic Development Board and different entities were invited. The meeting was held in the Fire Station. The meeting was to give everyone in the County a chance to get together on the updates and growth that we have had in the county. Mrs. Fleming was able to present at the meeting. It was a good place for the local small businesses to have a voice. It was a great opportunity to network and develop connections. The parade was great and thank you for everyone who worked on making it happen.
- Mrs. Kirk- None
- Ms. Shaw- Christmas Party is going to be Friday @ 6:30 pm
- Mr. Mellecker- Merry Christmas
- Mrs. Pearce- None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza- Presented the Council with the 2nd Place Themed Trophy from the West Nassau Historical Society for the participation in the Christmas Parade. The Movie in the Park was a good event however maybe in January we can get with Larry Downey and setup a workshop on how we can improve for next years event (Movie in the Park) before we get busy with other events.
- Mr. Williams- Absent
- Mr. Bass- More Golf Carts around town potentially we can come up with a Ordinance to allow the Golf Carts that are street legal


XI. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Fleming

- Discussion:
- Motion Carried
- Time 7:30pm



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Shawna Gugliuzza, Town Clerk

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.