



*"The Crossroads to the Future"*

## Town Council Minutes

May 15, 2023 \*\* 7:00 PM

**Present at Meeting:** Mayor Knagge, Mr. Bass, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Bishop-Vargas Ms. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Pearce, Mr. Williams, Mrs. Gugliuzza Members of the 7 Community and 2 Members of the Media.

Absent: None

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- 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. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Shaw
  - Discussion: None
  - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
  - **Motion Carried**

## VI. Treasurer Report

- Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Mrs. Fleming and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker
- Discussion: None
- Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
- **Motion Carried**

## VII. Business

- **West Nassau AFJROTC Annual Board Update-** Colonel Gregg Kline thanked the Council for the most recent donation to the program. This Town, the businesses, and the community have supported our program incredibly this year especially with our new flight school program. The cadets went out to local businesses looking for sponsors to help get them to the 15 hours for flight school. The local business was very receptive and sponsored several of our cadets. A big thank you to everyone who has been involved in supporting the program. One of our cadets here tonight received her 15 hours and a full scholarship. Fernandina Beach is where we go flying with our instructor, they have the EAA program once a student has soloed which is about after 15 flights then they can qualify for a full scholarship to get the rest of their flying paid for. It takes about 50 hours on average to receive a pilot's license. The Colonel introduced the cadets to the council and Cadet Colonel Bailey Roundsville approached the council and gave a briefing.
- **Water Adjustment- Customer Rhonda Carroll-Address- 45012 James Street**
  - Motion to adjust the sewer portion of the bill to the average monthly amount by Mrs. Fleming and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Shaw
  - Discussion: None
  - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
  - **Motion Carried**
- **Council on Aging-**
  - Motion to discuss a donation for the council on aging by Mrs. Fleming and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker
  - Discussion: Lengthy Discussion
  - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
  - **Motion Carried**
  
  - Motion to make a donation to The Council on Aging in the amount of \$37,500.00 by Mrs. Fleming and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker
  - Discussion: A Resolution will be presented at the next council meeting
  - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
  - **Motion Carried**

- **Chapter 40 Personnel Policies of the Town of Callahan Amendment Review and Discussion** - Lengthy Discussion around the table. Town Clerk will make necessary changes and Present an Ordinance before the council to amend Chapter 40 Personnel Policies of the Town Code.
- **Approval of the Five- Year Capital Improvement Plan**
  - Motion to approve the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Fleming
  - Discussion: None
  - Mrs. Gugliuzza called roll
  - **Motion Carried**

### **VIII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures**

General Fund Weeks of May 4<sup>th</sup> \$4,562.29 & 11<sup>th</sup> \$16,760.52 totaling \$21,322.81

A motion to approve the General Fund for May 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> totaling \$21,322.81 by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Fleming

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

Water and Sewer Fund Weeks of May 4<sup>th</sup> \$10,685.13 & 11<sup>th</sup> \$34,413.28 totaling \$45,098.41

A motion to approve Water and Sewer Fund for May 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> totaling \$45,098.41 by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Mellecker

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

**IX. Around the Table**

**Mayor-** Nassau County Economic Development Board is having the Hurricane Preparedness Workshop Thursday 9-11. Francis Clark Passed Away long-time resident of Callahan. Please keep his family in your prayers.

**Mrs. Bishop-Vargas-** None

**Mrs. Fleming-** The National Day of Prayer event was very nice. Great turn out and weather. I was very excited about the workshop we had earlier I think there are great things coming to the Town and I am happy to be apart of it. I'm sure we all are helping shape things for the future that will go beyond with our kids and grandchildren. Thank you, Mrs. Bishop-Vargas, and Mrs. Gugliuzza, for time spent working to update the Personnel Polices.

**Mrs. Kirk-** None

**Mrs. Shaw-** Concerned about possibly not being able to put Christmas Lights on the Poles. Mr. Williams stated they are working towards a solution, and we should be able to put the lights up.

**Mr. Mellecker-** Please have your suggestions for the aesthetic standards by the 26<sup>th</sup> emailed to me.

**Mrs. Pearce-** I sent the examples that were requested for aesthetic standards

**Mrs. Gugliuzza-**None

**Mr. Williams-**Due to new bills that were passed moving forward instead of a Form 1 we will fill out a Form 6

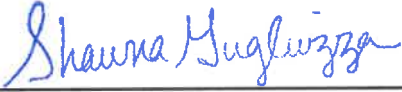
**Mr. Bass-** None

**X. Adjourn**

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Fleming

- Discussion: None
- Time 8:30 pm

  
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**John Kenneth Bass, Council President**

  
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**Shawna Gugliuzza, Town Clerk**

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