



"The Crossroads to the Future"

Town Council Minutes

September 18, 2023 ** 7:00 PM

Present at Meeting: Mayor Knagge, Mr. Bass, Ms. Shaw, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Bishop-Vargas, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Pearce, Mr. Williams, Members of the 3 Community and 2 Members of the Media.

Absent: Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Gugliuzza

- 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 2nd by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas
 - Discussion: None
 - Mr. Williams called roll
 - **Motion Carried**

VI. Treasurer's Report

- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Ms. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas
- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

VII. Business

➤ **Michael Benjamin 45842 Dixie Avenue Callahan, FL. 32011**

- Lengthy Discussion

➤ ***Resolution 2023-R17 Final Levying of Ad Valorem Taxes***

Mrs. Pearce read Resolution 2023-R17 out loud.

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-R17 Final Levying of Ad Valorem Taxes by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

➤ ***Resolution 2023-R18 Final Budget FY 2023-2024***

Mrs. Pearce read Resolution 2023-R18 out loud.

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-R18 Final Budget FY 2023-2024 by Ms. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas

- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

➤ ***Resolution 2023-R19 Adopting the Asset Management Plan for Drinking Water & Wastewater***

Mrs. Pearce read Resolution 2023-R19 Adopting the Asset Management Plan for Drinking Water and Wastewater out loud.

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-R19 Adopting the Asset Management Plan for Drinking Water and Wastewater by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

VIII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

General Fund Weeks of September 7th \$23,906.60, 7th \$500,00.00, & 14th \$9,917.94 totaling \$533,823.94

A motion to approve the General Fund for September 7th \$23,906.60, 7th \$500,00.00, & 14th \$9,917.94 totaling \$533,823.94 by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

Water Sewer Fund Weeks of September 7th \$25,516.51, 7th \$1,000,000.00, & 14th \$14,834.31 totaling \$1,040,350.82

A motion to approve Water and Sewer Fund for September 7th \$25,516.51, 7th \$1,000,000.00, & 14th \$14,834.31 totaling \$1,040,350.82

by Mrs. Bishop-Vargas and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Mr. Williams called roll
- **Motion Carried**

IX. Water-Wastewater Disbursements:

August 2023 – Tabled

X. Around the Table

Mayor- Last Monday we had the Crawford Diamond event to have an update on the Water and Wastewater Tanks with the Town, County, Congressman Black, Senator Yarborough, were all in attendance. It was a good event. Reminder the Northeast Florida Fair kicks off less than a month away. Last week Mr. Williams, Keith Wingate, and Jeffery Bunch went before Saint Johns River Water Management for additional funding.

Mrs. Bishop-Vargas-

Mrs. Fleming- Absent

Mrs. Kirk- None

Mrs. Shaw- Asked Mike if he received the update on the pick-up line, parking, and traffic for the school.

Mr. Mellecker- None

Mrs. Pearce- None

Mrs. Gugliuzza- Absent

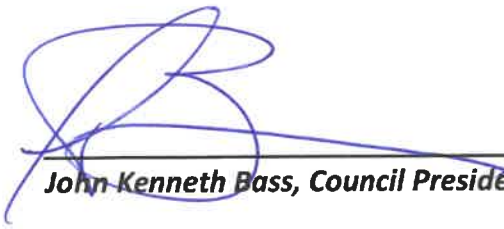
Mr. Williams- We petitioned SJRWM for additional funds. They gave us an additional \$219,000. So the Town will put up the rest of the \$230,000 out of the ARPA Funds.

Mr. Bass- None


XI. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Ms. Shaw

- Discussion: None
- Time 8:00 pm



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.