



“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, One (1) members of the Community, Three (3) Volunteer Fireman, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: None

- I. **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:01 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. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- VI. **Business**
 - Resolution 2017-R01 – Fire Department Hose Allowance – up to \$4,000
 - Remove – Fire Chief has authority with Mayor’s Signature on Invoice

- 1st Reading
 - Ordinance 2018-001 – Funeral Homes & Crematoriums – Conditional Use
 - Mr. Branham Read by Title.
 - Closed Regular Meeting & Opened Public Hearing at 7:09 PM
 - No Public Comment
 - Closed Public Hearing & Reopened Regular Meeting at 7:10 PM
 - Motion to accept 1st Reading Ordinance 2018-001 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion
 - Mr. Mellecker stated the Planning & Zoning Board would like this tabled until they can meet again in February.
 - Fontes – Spoke with Environmental Heath and this is a very clean process.
 - Smith – the Property would need to be ascetically pleasing for the dignity of the people.
 - Branham – there are specific requirements on the Conditional Use Ordinance.
 - Bass – Public Hearing will be on the 2nd Meeting in February.
 - Motion Carried

VII. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund \$11,015.62
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mrs. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Fund \$8,860.80
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Adjustments -- None

VIII. Around the Council Table

➤ Mayor

- There is a Legislative Assault going on in Tallahassee against Home Rule again. Please call your representatives.
- Mr. Branham stated there are more Hostile Bills on Home Rule this term than ever before.

➤ Mrs. Smith – Parks

- Electricians are finished at the Park, but we are still waiting on FPL.

- **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer**
 - Would the Council like to cancel the first Meeting in July as done previously to allow for vacations?
 - Council Consensus – Yes.
 - July 2nd Meeting Canceled.

- **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing

- **Mrs. Shaw – Streets**
 - Is everyone still okay with changing the sign to say, “Home of the Warriors”?
 - Consensus – Yes
 - Bass – Can we add lights and add a sign on the other end. Mr. Williams said things are in the process for lights on the other end of Town.

- **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing

- **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing

- **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**
 - Joint Meeting with School Board on the 22nd at 7:00 PM in the Fire Department
 - Washington’s Birthday the 19th of February, so meeting to the 20th.
 - Asked to revisit the issue of adding a Deputy Clerk.
 - Mrs. Knagge stated that if she were to be out this Election than having a trained Deputy Clerk to help the next Clerk will help keep the Town moving forward.
 - Lengthy Discussion on whether there is a need or not.
 - Council Consensus to discuss further at next meeting with research on how other Municipalities handle the Clerk/Deputy Clerk position in Towns our size.

- **Mr. Williams – Town Manager**

- **Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire**
 - Asked about Signals for overpass & light at Mickler & 301.
 - Mr. Williams stated he is still working on it.

IX. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:47 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk