



"The Crossroads to the Future"

Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 17, 2019

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Fontes, Mr. Bass, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Graham, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, twenty-two (22) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

- **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:00 PM
- **Pledge of Allegiance to Flag & Invocation** – Mr. Bass
- **Visitors Welcomed & Reminded Meeting Minutes are Being Recorded** – Mr. Bass
- **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit**
 - John Hendrix – 35383 Dixie Avenue
 - November 16th from 9-4 Hobos & Hot Rods & Railroad Days April 18th -- requesting use of the railroad beds
 - Mayor stated there may be some construction going on in April
 - Motion to let the West Nassau Historical Society use the Railroad Bed for their events by Mr. Mellecker 2nd Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: Mrs. Graham asked if there is construction who will be liable. Mr. Branham stated that the Construction Company has insurance and so does the Historical Society
 - Motion Carried

- Greg Huntington – Advanced Disposal
 - Stated that they had served the community for the last 12 years in partnership with the Town, and even longer with previous company in which Advance Disposal bought
 - Meridian & Advanced only real bids
 - Our company is the only one to Bid on everything according to the Bid proposals
 - We were fixed all in and Meridian was \$12000 more with their growing year
 - Please considering keeping the partnership going for this great community
- Tanesha Parker NCEDB
 - Update in Organization – Focusing on local business retention and expansion. Making sure they have the services they need. Aligning with the great schools in the community.
 - Mrs. Graham asked when is the next Board Meeting. Ms. Parker stated on June 25th at 3:00 PM at the Red Bean Center & everyone is invited
- Mary O'Brian -- Meridian
 - Stated that the numbers shared with you are a lot different than Advanced is saying.
 - Meridian would cost \$90 less per year per family.
 - No services are lost and I am sure your citizens don't want to lose services.
 - Looking forward to building a new relationship with you. Will not be the last time to see me whether you choose us now or not.
- Dave Shepler – Meridian
 - We have been here since 2006 with Partner Disposal
 - If you run all the numbers, we do offer savings
 - Advanced has had 12 years to prove themselves and haven't done so. Please give us a chance to prove ourselves.
 - Let me introduce my team: Marcus Kelly, Ricky Rodchester, April Waters, Donna West, Rickey Williams, and Mary O'Brian. The whole team is here with me tonight. We all really want this partnership and are eager to serve the residents of Callahan.

• **Minutes**

- Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

• **Treasurer's Report**

- Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker
- Discussion: None
- Motion Carried

• **Presentations**

- Ms. Nichols from American Cancer Society
 - Presented the Mayor Bronze Award for the Town.

- The Westside Relay-4-Life raised over \$24,000 this year

- **Business**

- Public Hearing

- Ordinance 2019-O04 -- Review & Changes to Chapter 190 – Water & Wastewater
 - Mr. Branham - Read by Title
 - Mr. Bass closed the Meeting at 7:17 PM and opened the floor to the Public
 - No Public Comment
 - Mr. Bass closed the Public Hearing at 7:18 PM and reopened the Regular Meeting
 - Motion to Approve Ordinance 2019-O04 by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Ordinance 2019-O05 – Changes to Chapter 195 – Zoning
 - Mr. Branham - Read by Title
 - Mr. Bass closed the Meeting at 7:20 PM and opened the floor to the Public
 - No Public Comment
 - Mr. Bass closed the Public Hearing at 7:21 PM and reopened the Regular Meeting
 - Motion to Approve Ordinance 2019-O05 by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Graham
 - Discussion:
 - Mrs. Smith
 - asked for a minute to Review since absent last meeting
 - asked Mayor to review changes
 - did not agree with campers being allowed in front of houses
 - Lengthy discussion around the table
 - Motion Carried with Mrs. Smith & Mrs. Shaw dissenting

- Best Price Food Store – Alcohol License

- Mr. Branham - Read by Title
- Mr. Bass closed the Meeting at 7:52 PM and opened the floor to the Public
- No Public Comment
- Mr. Bass closed the Public Hearing at 7:53 PM and reopened the Regular Meeting
- Motion to Approve Alcohol License by Mrs. Graham and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker
- Discussion: None
- Motion Carried

- Dan Thomas Update

- Mayor – Mr. Williams met with him and Dr. Marxx on possible plan
- Mr. Thomas -- Need a variance on lot, so need to go before Planning & Zoning Board. Dr. Marxx wants to build on back of office, so we will need to do some swapping
- Mr. Mellecker – would need 45-day extension
- Mrs. Smith – Survey beforehand

- Mr. Mellecker – everything to Town by 18th. Need lot coverage variance – need a land prep
- Motion to Approve a 45-day extension to have all paperwork done by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
- Discussion: None
- Motion Carried with Mrs. Graham dissenting

- Resolution 2019-R14 – Traffic Signal Agreement
 - Mr. Branham – Read by Title
 - Mayor we needed updated for next year
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2019-R14 by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Resolution 2019-R15 – CDBG Affirmative Action EEO
 - Mr. Branham – Read by Title
 - Mayor we needed updated for next year
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2019-R15 by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
 - Discussion: Mayor stated this is needed for the Grant
 - Motion Carried

- Resolution 2019-R16 – CDBG Anti-Displacement Relocation Policy
 - Mr. Branham – Read by Title
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2019-R16 by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw
 - Discussion: Mayor stated this is needed for the Grant
 - Motion Carried

- Town Seal
 - Mrs. Knagge presented possible updates to the Town Seal the Website Graphic Designer sent over
 - Motion to keep Town Seal as is by Mrs. Graham and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
 - Discussion: Lengthy
 - Motion Carried

- Website
 - Mrs. Knagge presented possible website designs by our new Website Graphic Designer so the council can pick what is wanted on our site.
 - Discussion: Lengthy
 - Tabled until Council has more time to review

- Sanitation Contract
 - Bass requested input from Council
 - Mrs. Smith – Do we want to continue all the services? Mrs. Knagge stated that she lives in the Town for these services and they should all continue

- Mr. Branham explained the Competitive Bid Process Stating it's not open-ended free form session. All you can do is select a company.
 - Motion to Approve Meridian Waste for the Sanitation Contract by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw
 - Discussion: Lengthy
 - Motion Carried with Mrs. Graham dissenting
- Department of Economic Opportunity Grant Update -- Nothing

Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$7,114.58**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mrs. Graham and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Fund **\$24,723.06**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Graham and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- Water & Sewer Adjustments -- None

• **Around the Council Table**

➤ **Mayor**

- Christmas lights in
- Advertising for Building Official/Inspector
- Time to have numbers for Budget

➤ **Mrs. Smith – Parks** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Graham – Water & Sewer** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Shaw – Streets** -- Nothing

➤ **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing

➤ **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**

- No Meeting on July 1st and Office closed on July 4th
- Reminder that ALL Public Records Request are to be directed to my email. Please do NOT answer them, because they have to be done according to the Sunshine Law.

➤ Mr. Williams – Town Manager -- Nothing

➤ Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire

- Looking at acquiring a Fire Truck for Free
- The flashing lights the state put up are placed when leaving school zone instead of before

• Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Smith
- Motion Carried
- Time: **8:16 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk

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