

"The Crossroads to the Future"

## **Town Council Meeting Minutes**

July 15, 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, eight (8) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

- I. <u>Call to Order</u> Mr. Bass at 7:02 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
  - TaNasha Parker NCEDB
    - Next Meeting is the 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30 for full board and 1:30 executive board. All are invited
      - Thanks to Mrs. Graham for attending last Meeting
  - Mike Cole
    - Growth of Liquor store doesn't meet with the community standards
    - A site plan with a playground to play while the adults drink is not okay
    - Mr. Bass just prayed that we conduct ourselves on what's pleasing to the Lord, and this expansion would not be pleasing

- Discussion:
  - Mrs. Smith Children with a playground? Branham by state law doesn't allow children
  - Mrs. Graham When they were at the zoning board? Mr. Mellecker –
    this past meeting. Graham what possible additions are they thinking
    about? Mr. Williams they own another 1.2 acres back to the storage
    facilities, so they have a lot of room for growth
  - Mr. Mellecker amend motion to deny due to deficiencies and return when those are corrected and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw
  - Mrs. Smith Can we make them take away the playground from site plan? Mr. Branham -- Yes
- Motion carried
- Resolution 2019-R15 CEMP Acceptance Nassau County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan
  - Director Foster requesting the Town's passing of the EOC plan. We are required to have this done according to state law. It remains the same with a little bit different aesthetics.
  - Most notable changes
    - County Manager can now declare a State of Emergency
    - We can enter private roadways for debris removal
    - All EOC employees are now essential employees
  - Mrs. Graham Why County Manager and not the Sheriff making State of Emergency call. Director Foster - He is only under blue skies daily operations.
     Once the skies turn grey, things fall under the County Commissioners.
  - o Mr. Branham read by title
    - Change Ordinance to number R17
  - o Motion to change from Ordinance R15 to R17 and to approve by Mrs. Graham and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Smith
  - o Discussion: None
  - o Motion Carried
- Set Tentative Millage Rate
  - o Mr. Williams
    - Taxable value going from 95 million to 98 million
    - Recommend using the Rollback rate of 2.6079
    - Last year's rate was 2.6685
  - Motion to <u>set the tentative millage rate at 2.6079</u> by <u>Mr. Mellecker</u> and 2<sup>nd</sup> by <u>Mrs.</u>
     <u>Graham</u>
    - Discussion: None
    - Motion Carried

## VII. Around the Council Table

## > Mayor

- Mr. Williams is entering the drop on August 1<sup>st</sup> to start retirement in 5 years. To help relieve some of his workload Dwayne Miller is now supervisor of outside crew.
- Budget is coming up on September 3<sup>rd</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> public hearing and then 16<sup>th</sup> final public hearing. If your department or you think something is over or under funded let me know. SRF, CDBG, and DEO makes our budget look like more than we actually have.
- Saturday at 10 backpack giveaways at WN make sure kids know!
- July 25<sup>th</sup> prayer breakfast hosted in our room concerned citizens of Nassau County
- Mrs. Smith Parks Nothing
- Mrs. Graham Water & Sewer Nothing
- Mrs. Kirk Treasurer Nothing
- Mrs. Shaw Streets
  - Been working with Linda at keep Nassau beautiful to work on some cleanup days soon
- Mr. Mellecker Zoning
  - Mr. Thomas 3 days for paperwork. Anything to come in? No
- Mr. Branham Attorney Nothing
- Mrs. Knagge Clerk
  - Foster Parent Class Informational Meeting is Thursday at 6:30 in Fire Department Room
- Mr. Williams Town Manager -- Nothing
- Mr. Bass Council President & Fire
  - Received fire truck engine for free today.
  - Mrs. Graham where you putting them? Mr. Bass We will find room
  - Mrs. Graham Any compensation from County for all of this yet? No

## VIII. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by <u>Mr. Mellecker</u> and 2<sup>nd</sup> by <u>Mrs. Graham</u>
- Motion Carried
- Time: 7:58PM

John Kenneth Bass, Council President

Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk