



“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2016

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Kirk, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Fontes, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, 3 members of the Westside Historical Society, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: None

- 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**
 - John Hendrix, Emily Baumgartner, & Jerry Peterson from the West Nassau Historical Society
 - Stated that this year’s Railroad Days are April 16th & the plan is to have a Larger Entertainment Area. Asked the Council to consider sponsoring the Children’s area again for \$1000.
 - Council Consensus was to add a Resolution to the next Agenda for \$1000.
 - Mr. Hendrix presented the Mayor with a handwritten copy of the original Town Charter from 1885.
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.

- Motion Carried.

VI. Treasurer's Report

- Motion to Approve the Treasurer's Report by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: Mrs. Smith asked if this total reflected the Water & Sewer payment, and Mr. Fontes & Mr. Williams stated that it does not.
 - Motion Carried.

VII. New Business

- Resolution 2016-R01 -- Callahan Middle School AVID Program
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2016-R01 for \$300 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Discussion: Mr. Fontes stated that since the Council is looking to reduce donations that we do \$300 instead of the requested \$500.
 - Motion Carried.
- Resolution 2016-R02 – GNCCC Annual Banquet
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2016-R02 for \$300 by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Discussion: Mrs. Knagge stated this was the annual Banquet that in years past we have supported. The cost is \$40 per ticket or a table of 8 for \$300. Mayor, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Knagge, and Mr. Bass stated they would attend and represent the Town.
 - Motion Carried.

VIII. Recurring Business

- Water & Sewer Adjustments – None
 - Mr. Fontes asked that this Category be moved down under Disbursements.

IX. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$4,893.04**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
Motion Carried.
- Water & Sewer Fund **\$15,300.75**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
Motion Carried.
- Water & Sewer Disbursements **\$403.68**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Disbursements by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
Motion Carried.

X. Around the Council Table

➤ **Mayor**

- Wished everyone a Happy New Year, and stated he looked forward to working with the Council to help the Town grow and become even better.

➤ **Mrs. Smith – Parks**

- Stated that both Grants have finally come through for Ewing Park, and now we will start working on the Commencement Ceremony.

➤ **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer**

- Stated he learned of some new Grants through the State of Florida from Representative Adkins, and he & Mr. Williams are looking into them. The chances are slim, but worth a shot.

➤ **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Shaw – Streets**

- Discussion on Speeding through Town especially by the schools.
- Council Consensus is to Authorize the Mayor & Mrs. Shaw to hire an off duty officer for a couple varying shifts through the week.
- Mrs. Shaw stated that Krystal has let their permit expire and at this time it appears they aren't coming.

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

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

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**

- Alerted the Council that the next Meeting would need to move to Tuesday the 19th due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

➤ **Mr. Williams – Town Manager** – Nothing

➤ **Mr. Bass – Council President & Fire**

- Stated he was looking forward to the New Year with a lot of new exciting things ahead.

XI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:38 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk