

Town of Callahan

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Town Council Minutes

April 7, 2014

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mr. Rau, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Bass, Mayor Graham, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Mellecker, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, Mr. Caulkins, Mr. Zeorlin (Barnabas Center), Pastor & Mrs. Wolgamott, and two (2) members of the Media.

Meeting Called to Order – Mr. Rau at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance to Flag/Invocation – Pledge by Mr. Rau and Invocation by Pastor Steve Wolgamott.

Visitors Welcomed and Reminded Minutes are Being Recorded -- Mr. Rau

Persons Wishing to Address Council on Items Not on the Agenda – None

Minutes – Motion to approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report -- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Bass. Motion Carried.

New Business

- Proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention
 - Mayor Read Proclamation about the month of April being Child Abuse Prevention & Awareness.
- Economic Development Board Member
 - Mrs. Shari Graham has given her recognition and the Council needs to appoint someone in her place to represent Callahan.
 - Please send all recommendations to the Mayor for the selection to be voted on at the next meeting.

- Resolution No. 2014-R03 – Vocational Scholarships, Inc. Donation -- \$500
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Motion to approve by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Fontes. Motion Carried.

- Resolution No. 2014-R04 – Barnabas Donation -- \$500
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Motion to approve by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
 - Mr. Zeorlin, representative of the Barnabas Board of Directors, thanked the Council & especially Councilman Fontes for supporting Barnabas. He also stated that there will now be an office in Callahan on Wednesday's from 10:00 AM-1:00 PM to assist residents with Medical, Dental, Utilities, etc.

- Resolution No. 2014-R05 – Relay-4-Life Donation -- \$500
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Motion to approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.

- 1st Public Hearing -- Ordinance No. 2014-03 – Charter Amendments with Titles & Summaries
 - Read by Title by Mr. Branham.
 - Motion to approve Ordinance with Amendments by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
 - Mr. Rau closed the Regular Meeting & Opened the Public Hearing at 7:18 PM.
 - Mr. Williams presented the Titles & Questions that had to be adjusted to meet the Standards for being on the Ballot at the Primary Election. See attached Ordinance for Amendments.
 - Lengthy Discussion by Council.
 - Mr. Rau closed the Public Hearing & Re-opened the Regular Meeting at 7:49 PM.
 - The Clerk with Present the updated Ordinance to Mrs. Cannon before Final Public Hearing on April 21, 2014.

Recurring Business; Water & Sewer Adjustments

➤ None

Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

➤ **General Fund – \$24, 403.07**

- Motion to approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
Motion Carried.

➤ **Water & Sewer Fund – \$17,037.23**

- Motion to approve by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Fontes. Motion Carried.

➤ **Water & Sewer Deposit Disbursements -- \$811.25**

- Motion to approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
Motion Carried.

Around the Council Table

➤ **Mayor –**

- ❖ Read a Certificate of Appreciation from the West Nassau Historical Society for the Town sponsoring the 9th Annual Railroad Days.
- ❖ Read a Thank you letter from the Wounded Warrior Foundation for last year's donation and asking the Town to consider a donation this year, as well. The Council agreed to add the Resolution to the next Agenda in the Amount of \$500.
- ❖ Read an Invitation to the Economic Development Board's Luncheon. She stated that she did not feel it is right to spend \$400 of the Taxpayer's money for a Luncheon of an organization that we have already donated to. It was a consensus of the Council that if anyone wanted to attend they would pay their own way in the Amount of \$50 each.

➤ **Mr. Fontes –**

- ❖ Requested the Town to consider donating to the 4-H group again since they do such a great job with the Town Clean Up. It was the consensus of the Council to add a Resolution to the April 21st meeting in the Amount of \$250.

➤ **Mr. Bass –**

- ❖ None

➤ **Mrs. Smith** –

❖ None

➤ **Mrs. Shaw** –

❖ Stated she had received several calls concerning the Speeding on 4th Street by West Nassau. After a lengthy discussion it was decided by the Council that Mr. Williams will a '10 MPH Speed Limit' sign & 'Children at Play' sign and he would call the school about closing the exit directly across from 4th Street and make traffic follow the One Direction Pattern. The Clerk will also add a Resolution to the next Agenda for 'Traffic Control Around Schools'.

➤ **Mr. Mellecker** --

❖ None

➤ **Mr. Branham** –

❖ None

➤ **Mrs. Knagge**—

❖ None

➤ **Mr. Williams** –

❖ None

➤ **Mr. Rau** –

❖ None

Adjourn -- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.

Time: 8:18 PM



Robert Rau, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, 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.