

# Town of Callahan

*'A Florida Municipality'*

## Town Council Minutes

July 7, 2014

7:00 P.M.

**Present at Meeting:** Mr. Fontes, Mr. Bass, Mayor Graham, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Mellecker, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Caulkins, Ms. Caulkins, Ms. Cokerham, and two (2) members of the Media.

**Absent:** None

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**Meeting Called to Order** – Mrs. Shaw at 7:00 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance to Flag/Invocation** – Pledge by Mr. Rau  
Invocation by Mr. Rau

**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 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.

**Treasurer's Report** -- Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bass. Motion Carried.

### **Proclamation**

- Mrs. Caulkins 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday
  - Mayor read a Proclamation naming July 16, 2014 as *Mildred Caulkins Day*.
  - Mayor & Mrs. Shaw presented Ms. Caulkins with a clock & roses for all of her support of the Town and for all of her help with Ewing Park.

### **Old Business**

- Economic Development Board Member Appointment (Advertised in Paper 5/1 & 5/8)
  - Tabled

- Municipal Service Tax Unit (MSTU)
  - Waiting on Response from the County
  - Mr. Boatright is out of town until the 14<sup>th</sup>, so the meeting will at least be after that.
- Branch Creek Subdivision – Turnover of Streets and Associated Systems
  - Tabled
- Interlocal Agreement with Hilliard for Fire Protection
  - Both Towns would be responsible for its own fire fighter’s actions.
  - Whichever Town the fire is in that Town’s Fire Fighters would take the lead.
  - Agreement can be terminated by either Town with 90 days’ notice.
  - Motion to Authorize the Mayor to sign contract & present to Hilliard by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.
  - Discussion – Mayor stated that the item should be discussed more and Mr. Rau stated he thought it was clear. With a unanimous consensus of the Council.

**New Business**

- Callahan Little League
  - Ms. Jennifer Cockerham of 277 Curtis Lane in Hilliard, FL asked the Town to sponsor her daughter’s team who would be representing the Town of Callahan at the State Softball competition in Cocoa Beach.
  - Mr. Fontes said that we hadn’t given to any Athletic Teams yet, but that didn’t mean we couldn’t.
  - Mr. Rau stated it would need to be done by Resolution.
  - Mr. Bass recommended that we do the max amount of \$500 for the team to go.
  - Motion to adopt a resolution in the amount of \$500 by Mrs. Shaw, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bass. Motion carried.
- Appointment of New Council Pay Issue
  - Mayor stated that with the upcoming Elections with the possibility of several position changes she wanted to make sure we didn’t get into any confusion.
  - Motion was made that both outgoing & incoming Candidates would receive the higher rate of Pay for the entire month by Mr. Fontes, and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bass. Motion carried.

**Recurring Business; Water & Sewer Adjustments**

- None

## **Review & Approval of Town Expenditures**

### ➤ **General Fund – \$11,730.24**

- Motion to approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.

### ➤ **Water & Sewer Fund – \$16,299.06**

- Motion to approve by Mr. Fontes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mrs. Shaw. Motion Carried.

### ➤ **Water & Sewer Deposit Disbursements -- \$669.80**

- Motion to approve by Mr. Mellecker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Fontes. Motion Carried.

## **Around the Council Table**

### ➤ **Mayor** – None

### ➤ **Mr. Fontes** – Stated that while in Germany last week he heard Air Raid sirens that called their Volunteer Fire Fighters. If a Country that is as old as Germany is utilizing their Volunteers why can't our County utilize ours? Just a thought!

### ➤ **Mr. Bass** – None

### ➤ **Mrs. Smith** – None

### ➤ **Mrs. Shaw** – What are the Qualifying Dates? Mrs. Knagge told her they are August 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 AM through August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 PM.

### ➤ **Mr. Mellecker** -- None

### ➤ **Mr. Branham** – None

### ➤ **Mrs. Knagge**

- Asked if the Meeting for September 1<sup>st</sup> which is Labor Day would be moved to September 2<sup>nd</sup> and the consensus was yes.
- Informed the Council of an offer of a Scholarship for \$1,000 for a member of the Town to represent the Town of Callahan at the upcoming Florida League of cities conference. If no one else was willing that she would go to represent. Mr. Rau stated that he would like to go. Mrs. Knagge will write the recommendation from the Council for Mr. Rau to represent the Town and help Mr. Rau write a letter stating why he would like to attend.

➤ Mr. Williams – None

➤ Mr. Rau – None

**Adjourn** -- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Bass. Motion Carried. Time: 7:50 PM

  
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**Robert Rau, Council President**

  
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**Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk**

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