

“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, eight (8) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

Absent: Mrs. Kirk

- 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 & Dr. Clowers
- IV. **Persons Wishing to Address Council – 3 Minute Limit** -- None
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- VI. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - Motion to Approve the Treasurer’s Report by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VII. Business

- Councilperson Interview
 - Mrs. Shirley Graham is the only Resident to submit a letter.
 - Motion to Approve Shirley Graham to fill Mr. Fontes position starting the 2nd Meeting in November by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Dutton Way Homeowner Request
 - Mr. Proctor did not attend.
 - Mr. Fontes stated Mr. Proctor has an issue with the way the contractors have left his yard & driveway.
 - Mr. Fontes stated that Mr. Williams was working with him & the contractors to resolve the issues.

- Approval of Forestry Grant – Captain Larry Downey
 - Stated the Town received the 50/50 Forestry Grant for \$35,000 to help cover the cost of the new radios.
 - The Town's half would be \$17,500.
 - Motion to approve \$17,500 to cover the 50/50 Grant by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mr. Fontes.
 - Discussion:
 - Mr. Fontes asked Mr. Williams if we have it in the current Budget to cover this. Mr. Williams stated that we did.
 - Motion Carried

- Resolution 2018-R08 – State Revolving Loan Fund
 - Read by Title by Mr. Braham.
 - Mr. Branham stated that the State Required Revisions the Resolution needed to come back before the Council.
 - Motion to Approve Resolution 2018-R08 with the Revisions by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- ~~Resolution 2018-R11~~ – Tentative Ad Valorem Tax
 - No Resolution needed.
 - Mr. Williams reviewed the Budget.
 - Motion to set the Tentative Millage rate at 3.0338 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$4,542.00**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Fund **\$795.83**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Adjustments -- None

- Water & Sewer Disbursements
 - **\$471.32** to water & sewer fund + **\$500.78** to active customers = **\$972.10** to be dispersed.
 - Motion to Disperse \$972.10 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Smith .
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

VIII. Around the Council Table

➤ **Mayor**

- School Board Teacher Back to School Breakfast at 8:00 AM at Yulee High School.
- Historical Society has received a Community Project Grant and the Smithsonian's 'Crossroads Change in Rural America' Travel Event will be here October 27th – December 8th.

➤ **Mrs. Smith – Parks** – Nothing

➤ **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer** -- Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Absent

➤ **Mrs. Shaw – Streets**

- Only received one estimate for the tree removal and we may need to decide on a different plan. Several complaints from Residents not wanting it down. Would like to have the Road scraped, and maybe go around the trees with a little boarder of dirt or mulch.

➤ **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning**

- Mr. Franklin is looking at putting an Apartment Complex at the end of Ewing Park Road. Should be reviewing plans at the next Planning & Zoning Meeting.

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

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**

- If everyone could please bring in their Green Code Book to Susan for updating.
- Election Qualifying will be August 1st – 15th.

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

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

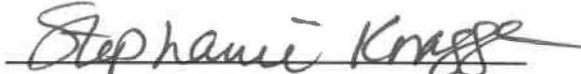
- Looking at putting lights and letting on the Fire Station to spruce it up some. The lights run about \$42 each and the Letting will be \$625.
- Would like to look at having Prisoners out to do some clean up. Mr. Williams will look into it.
- Open Floor to Public Comment:
 - Dr. Clowers – Backpack giveaway is Saturday from 9:00-11:00 AM at Ewing Park. First 300 in attendance will receive a backpack. There will also be a certificate in each bag for a Free Eye Exam and a Physical.

IX. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:32 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, 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.