

“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mr. Williams, six (6) members of the Community, 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** -- None
- V. **Minutes**
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- VI. **Treasurer’s Report**
 - Motion to Approve the Treasurer’s Report by Mr. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
- VII. **Presentations**

- Taco Pope & Kristina Bowen, Department of Planning & Economic Opportunity
Nassau County Board of County Commissioners
 - Stated his team would be hosting the Urban Land Institute on November 7th & 8th with a Town Hall Meeting at the Fairgrounds on the 8th from 7:00-9:00 PM.
 - The ULI will then report back to his department where they think the growth is coming and how we can control it.
 - Mayor Rau will meet with them on November 7th to give the Town's perspective on their questions.

- Girl Scouts – Brenda Dillard
 - Stated the Troops from all of Nassau County will be joining up to do Thanksgiving Baskets again this year for the Fire Stations.
 - Asked the Council to consider a \$500 as they have in the past.
 - Council Consensus to add a Resolution to the next Agenda for Discussion.

VIII. Business

- Resolution 2017-R09 -- Traffic Signal Maintenance & Compensation Agreement
 - Mr. Branham – After further Research the Contract that is in place is still good, so this Resolution isn't needed.
- 1st Reading
 - Ordinance 2017-O04 – Chapter 195 Addition -- RV Parks
 - Mr. Branham Read by Title.
 - Closed Regular Meeting & Opened Public Hearing at 7:35 PM
 - No Public Comment
 - Closed Public Hearing & Reopened Regular Meeting at 7:36 PM
 - Motion to accept Ordinance 2017-O05 by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion:
 - Mrs. Smith – Would like to see this pass. If it doesn't go inside the Town Limits it will be in the County and then we have no say.
 - Mr. Fontes – Have been questioned as to why we wouldn't want the RV Park.
 - Mr. Bass – The RV Park could be a nice edition to bring in business.
 - Mrs. Knagge – See it as all benefit: If we have workers come in for Crawford Diamond they have somewhere to stay, if I have out of Town Company they have somewhere nice to stay close by instead of Yulee or Jacksonville, and businesses need to be in the Town Limits not in the County.
 - Motion Carried

IX. Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- General Fund **\$22,781.26**
 - Motion to Pay the General Fund by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Fund **\$23,836.99**
 - Motion to Pay Water & Sewer Fund by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mr. Shaw.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

- Water & Sewer Adjustments – None

- Water & Sewer Disbursements
 - \$432.00 to Water & Sewer
 - \$483.05 Customers
 - Total of \$915.05 Disbursed
 - Motion to Disburse \$915.05 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried

X. Around the Council Table

- **Mayor**
 - A lot of tragedies happening around us and our Nation. Proud of this community coming together to support each other. Special thanks to Paul Schwend for leading several events to help those suffering. Gave out over 1,000 dinners for free Saturday.

- **Mrs. Smith – Parks** – Nothing

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

- **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing

- **Mrs. Shaw – Streets**
 - Linda Jean's can cater the Christmas Party for \$18 per person plus tax & gratuities.

- **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing

- **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk**

- Florida City Government Week – October 23-29, 2017
 - Mock Meeting here with Ms. Geiger's class on the 23rd at 6:30.

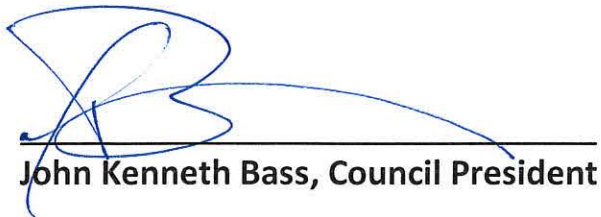
➤ **Mr. Williams – Town Manager** -- Nothing

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

- Captain Downey
 - Forestry Grant has been approved just waiting to hear the amount.
 - The deadline for the new radios has been changed to December 2018.
 - Fair starts next Thursday and we need help while we go handle the Bonfire at the High School. We also need help throughout the entire event, so feel free to come on out.
 - Irma Update:
 - Fully staffed in house from the 10th-12th
 - Helped with 3 flooding's, 2 structure fires within the Town Limits.
 - Numerous Trees down
 - Also helped with numerous issues outside of the Town Limits.

XI. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: **7:56 PM**



John Kenneth Bass, Council President



Stephanie Knagge, Town Clerk