



“The Crossroads to the Future”

Town Council Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Present at Meeting: Mayor Rau, Mr. Bass, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Mellecker, Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Kirk, Mr. Fontes, Mr. Branham, Mrs. Knagge, Mr. Williams, Five (5) members of the Community, and two (2) members of the Media.

- I. **Call to Order** – Mr. Bass at 7:01 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**
 - Wanda Nichols, Relay-4- Life Coordinator – 450775 Old Dixie Hwy.
 - Presented Mayor Rau with the Bronze Award for the Town’s Sponsorship last year.
 - Just shy of \$18,000 was raised, and will directly benefit people in our area.
 - Encouraged the Town to consider Sponsoring next year, as well.
- V. **Minutes**
 - * Regular
 - Motion to Approve the Minutes by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by Mrs. Smith.
 - Discussion: None
 - Motion Carried
 - * Special
 - Motion to Approve the Special Meeting Minutes by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.

- Discussion: None
- Motion Carried

VI. Business

- Brenton Franklin – Axis Plex (Ewing Park Apartments) – 151012 County Road 108
 - Came to introduce himself to the Council, and asked if a workshop could be held to discuss his Apartments & access roads.
 - Mr. Branham told him our process is the Planning & Zoning Board makes their recommendations, and then we have an advertised Public Meeting. Not a workshop.
 - Mr. Branham encouraged the Council to not engage about this matter until the Public Hearing.
 - Mr. Franklin stated he would be sure to have his Engineer available at the Public Hearing to answer any questions.
- Resolution 2018-R20 – Economic Development Board
 - Mr. Branham read by Title.
 - Mr. Fontes asked this to be tabled until the next Meeting.
- Resolution 2018-R21 – Against Amendment 1
 - Mr. Branham read by Title.
 - Motion to approve Resolution 2018-R21 by Mrs. Smith and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - Discussion:
 - Mayor Rau explained that if this Amendment passes it will only give people with a \$100,000 or more property values a Tax break. This Tax break would take away \$600 million in revenues, and Renters & Businesses will have to make up the difference in the loss of funds.
 - Motion Carried
- Resolution 2018-R22 – Episcopal Children’s Services
 - Mr. Branham read by Title.
 - Motion to approve Resolution 2018-R22 by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker.
 - Discussion:
 - Mrs. Knagge stated she added this to the Agenda to meet the deadline for our Donation to be matched by the State.
 - Motion Carried
- Out with a Boom Fireworks Spectacular added by Mr. Fontes
 - Only BIDS submitted were Satori & Pyro.
 - Mr. Fontes stated we need to make a decision on who will do the Fireworks Show.
 - Mr. Schwend stated the Business Leaders will go with whatever the Town decides.
 - Mayor Rau stated he likes Pyro because they will be using larger shells.

- Mr. Fontes stated he likes Satori because they did a great job with the Centennial Celebration, and they know all the local laws.
- Lengthy Discussion.
- Mr. Bass Opened the Meeting to the Floor:
 - Mrs. Graham stated that the event is close, and the decision needs to be made tonight.
- Mr. Bass re-opened the Regular Meeting:
- Mrs. Smith asked about the BIDS – Both BIDS were \$10,000.
- Mrs. Knagge asked what the difference was.
 - Mayor Rau – Pyro - Size of the Shells used for the Show.
 - Mr. Fontes – Satori - 4 inch shells, won't shoot near buildings, they know our area, and we've used them before, so we know they are good.
- Motion to accept Satori's BID by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by _____.
 - Failed due to lack of 2nd.
- Lengthy Discussion on the differences in Companies.
- Motion to accept Pyro's BID by Mrs. Shaw and 2nd by _____.
 - Failed due to lack of 2nd.
- Lengthy Discussion.
- Motion to accept Satori's BID by Mr. Mellecker and 2nd by Mrs. Shaw.
 - No Discussion
 - Motion Carried.

Review & Approval of Town Expenditures

- No Bills, Adjustments, or Disbursements due to Bookkeeper and Water & Sewer Clerk being out.

VII. Around the Council Table

- **Mayor** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Smith – Parks**
 - Asked Mr. Williams to put in a work-order to spray the path at Ewing Park for weeds. Mr. Williams stated that he would.
- **Mr. Fontes – Water & Sewer** -- Nothing
- **Mrs. Kirk – Treasurer** – Nothing
- **Mrs. Shaw – Streets** -- Nothing
- **Mr. Mellecker – Zoning** – Nothing
- **Mr. Branham – Attorney** – Nothing

➤ **Mrs. Knagge – Clerk** -- Nothing

➤ **Mr. Williams – Town Manager – Absent**

- Who will handle the Planning & Zoning Application Interviews?
 - Council Consensus -- Mayor, Mr. Mellecker, & Mrs. Knagge

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

- Mr. Garver, Code Enforcer passed unexpectedly and his Funeral is tomorrow at 11:00 AM at the Methodist Church.
- Jeffery Evans, Fire Chief for River Road passed, and the Family would like the Fire Truck to lead the processional.
- Still waiting on a meeting with Dr. Burns about the Elementary traffic patterns.
- Anyone available to help at the Volunteers Fair Booth please just show up.
- Opened to the Floor for comment:
 - Kathie Colgrove was unclear about the Planning & Zoning plans.
 - Mr. Mellecker explained the process further.

VIII. Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Mr. Fontes and 2nd by Mr. Mellecker. Motion Carried.
- Time: 7:40 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.