

**MONTVERDE TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING/WORKSHOP MINUTES
May 16, 2023**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

**Joe Wynkoop, Mayor
Allan Hartle, Vice Mayor
Jim Ley, Councilmember
Billy Bates, Councilmember
Jim Peacock, Councilmember**

STAFF PRESENT

**Paul Larino, Town Manager
Anita Geraci-Carver, Town Attorney
Sean Parks, Town Planner
Sandra Johnson, Town Clerk**

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONIES

Audience Attendance 16

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- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Invocation**
- **Roll Call**

DISCUSSION OF WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

Review of possible new legislation.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver reviewed HB 1379 – Which addresses changes septic systems being replaced by onsite sewer facilities and wastewater treatment plants. Changes that will be happening over the next 10 years.

John Arellano, 17531 County Road 455, the price of the OSSF (On site sewer facilities) is about \$20,000.

Commissioner Parks – gave a detail analysis of the upcoming legislative actions regarding septic v. sewer.

Review of preliminary system design and location.

Scott Shannon Woodard and Curran, presented the preliminary design of the wastewater treatment facility and placement of lines.

Mike Whidden, 17635 Broad St – what happens if the power goes out.

Town Manager Larino stated there are generators on the lift stations.

Review of Phase I cost.

Tara Hollis of Willdan Finance reviewed the cost of Phase I, the cost of operating the facility.

Mayor Wynkoop opened to the public

Cynthia Ajemian, 16524 Magnolia Terrace spoke in favor of sewer system.

Dan Davis, 16849 Lake Street, how much land do you need for the treatment plant?

Town Manager Larino stated 5 acres.

Andrea Young, 16326 Florence View Ct spoke in favor of the sewer system.

Thomas Johnson, 16637 Magnolia Terrace spoke in favor of sewer system.

CONSIDERATION OF WASTEWATER RELATED RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2023-59 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, approving the amendment to interlocal agreement for disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act funds between Lake County, Florida and the Town of Montverde to increase the funding allocation from \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000 for a Sewer Infrastructure Project; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read Resolution 2023-59 by title only.

Mayor explained this is to agree to accept an additional one million dollars of ARPA funds from the Lake County.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing. No one spoke in favor or against the Ordinance. Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

There was brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop moved to approve Resolution 2023-59. Councilmember Ley seconded. Resolution 2023-59 approved 5-0.

Resolution No. 2023-58 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida amending the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year budget pursuant to Section 5.05 of the Town Charter to transfer funds from general fund revenues to various general fund departments for increased expenditures in the following departments: Permitting, Legal Services, Fire Department and Capital Projects; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read Resolution 2023-58 by title only.

Town Manager Larino the budget amendment.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing. No one spoke in favor or against the Ordinance. Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

There was extensive discussion.

Councilmember Peacock, moved to approve Resolution 2023-58. Councilmember Ley seconded. Resolution 2023-58 approved 4-1 (Mayor Wynkoop voted nay)

Mayor Wynkoop recessed the meeting for 10 minutes.

Mayor Wynkoop left the meeting

DISCUSSION ON STORMWATER PLANNING

Update on stormwater projects from Town Engineer.

Resolution No. 2023-60 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, approving the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection Standard Grant Agreement for Montverde infrastructure flooding mitigation program, Agreement number 22FRP102 having an expiration date of September 30, 2026 in the amount of \$1,800,000.00; authorizing the Town Manager to execute the agreement; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read Resolution 2023-60 by title only.

Scott Shannon with Woodard and Curran reviewed the stormwater projects.

Vice Mayor Hartle opened the public hearing. No one spoke in favor or against the Ordinance. Vice Mayor Hartle closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Bates, moved to approve Resolution 2023-60. Councilmember Ley seconded. Resolution 2023-60 approved 4-0 (Mayor Wynkoop was absent for the vote)

DISCUSSION ON POTABLE WATER PLANNING

Update of future potable water improvements from Town Engineer.

Public Hearing on the Drinking Water Facility Plan.

Resolution No. 2023-55 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, relating to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) State Revolving Fund (SRF); adoption of the Drinking Water Facility Plan for the implementation of drinking water improvements; authorizing the Town Manager to provide assurances and commitments required by the facility plan; providing directions to the Town Manager, conflicts and severability; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read Resolution 2023-55 by title only.

Hunter Johnson and Sean Brown with Woodard and Curran explained the Drinking water facility plan.

Vice Mayor Hartle opened the public hearing. No one spoke in favor or against the Ordinance. Vice mayor Hartle closed the public hearing.

There was brief discussion.

Councilmember Bates moved to table Resolution 2023-55 to June 13th. Councilmember Ley seconded. Resolution 2023-55 tabled 4-0 (Mayor Wynkoop was absent for the vote)



REMINDERS AND ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Peacock moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Ley seconded. Meeting adjourned.



Joe Wynkoop, Mayor

Attest:

Sandy Johnson, Town Clerk