

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 8, 2022

TOWN COUNCIL PRESENT

Councilmember Bates
Councilmember Hartle
Vice Mayor Ley
Councilmember Smith
Mayor Wynkoop

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager Larino
Town Attorney Geraci-Carver
Town Planner Parks
Town Clerk Johnson

AUDIENCE ATTENDANCE: 18

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONIES

Mayor Wynkoop called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A presentation was made to Janet Davis for winning the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council's 2002 photo contest.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the January 11, 2022, Regular Meeting. Councilmember Bates moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Hartle seconded. Minutes approved 5-0.

Minutes of the January 18, 2022, Special Meeting. Vice Mayor Ley stated there was a typo Brad Jones from MVA should be Brad Long. Move to approve as amended. Councilmember Hartle

CITIZENS QUESTIONS/COMMENT PERIOD

Bob Harper – 17408 Porter doesn't like what he is hearing about the cemetery's new fence having stone columns. Maybe brick or stucco would be better.

Vance Jochim – Chief Fiscal Watchdog would like to see all meetings the town has videoed. Is concerned about all the development going on in the county.

DEPARTMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Manager Larino's Report

We have selected the bands and set the dates for the Spring Concert Series; March 26th, April 16th, May 14th.

The Carnival operator for Montverde has verbally committed to come for Montverde Day.

Staff is closed to wrapping up yearend close out ready for the audit.

Paddy is busy with permitting. Apopka Sound has sent in 11 permits and expect to have 40 in next few months.

Met virtually with St. John Water Authority discussing water system. They understand small towns and their needs. Talked about the 2034 water reduction.

Attended the county wide meeting with mayors and managers, the Mayor will update you regarding this.

Sean's group has been working on updating the GIS system for the town.

Willow Ridge should be starting utilities this week – starting with storm water.

We are selling water to Black East developers – it is metered.

Sprinkler repair – 40 heads with problems.

We have put the Wayfinder signs up.

Phase II for library grant due end of March, I am working on that.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver Reports

No report

Town Planner Parks Report

12 Zoning clearances come through. Continue working on GIS researching and making sure it is all accurate. We will make sure it is accurate and will address all your concerns.

County Commissioner Parks Report

Attended the JPA meeting with all the city manager and mayors in the County regarding county wide growth. This was a historic meeting at no other time have all 14 cities and towns sat down for a planning meeting. Commissioner Parks gave a detailed review of the meeting.

Fire Department Report

Written report in Council packets

Committee Reports – Visioning, Parks & Recreation, Cemetery, Public Safety and Historical are welcome to report.

No Report

Town Council Report

Councilmember Smith said she loves this small town and wants to maintain that small town feeling.

Councilmember Hartle kudos to Sean and his team.

Councilmember Bates The signs around town look good. We need to put lighting in the gazebo at the dock. There is a tree at 3rd Street leaning over the road at Lakeside. Water trucks for Black East and they over at Four Lakes getting water.

Vice Mayor Ley no report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Wynkoop the meeting with the cities and towns of the County was great. Paul is going to show a brief video. Elevate Lake a group ask Sean to talk about this. They work with small businesses that would like to open in Lake County. Really good program. It also has a tourism side to it, but this is for businesses. The Mayor and Sean Parks discussed not becoming an Outer Ring of Orlando. We want jobs in Lake County and living in Lake County instead of working in Orlando and living in Lake County.

Mayor wants everyone to know there will be a workshop next Tuesday that will include conversation with Lake County regarding the speeding issue.

I would like to do something for Kevin Rausch for his years of service.

ISBA – updating Paul is going to put a workshop together for April to discuss the importance of this agreement. Discuss about updating the ISBA and the Ferndale area.

Mayor Wynkoop presented the finance report for January 2022:

Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 2,809,804.63
Revenues	\$ 163,394.27
Expenditures	\$ 173,868.18
Ending Balance	\$ 2,799,330.72
Grant Clearing Account	\$ 4,426,500.00
Total Bank Balance	\$ 7,225,830.72

PUBLIC HEARINGS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

First Reading: Ordinance 2022-04 An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde granting a non-exclusive franchise to Lake Apopka Natural Gas District for a ten-year period; approving the natural gas distribution franchise agreement between the Town of Montverde and Lake Apopka National Gas District; providing for conflicts and severability; setting an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read the Ordinance by title only.

Mayor Wynkoop opened for public comment. There were no comments.

Mayor Wynkoop was concerned with the hook up charge that Lake Apopka Natural Gas charges and whether the Town has the right to ask for reduction.

There was brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop made a motion to approve first reading of Ordinance 2022-04. Councilmember Hartle seconded. First reading was approved 5 – 0.

Resolution 2022-04 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, directing for all grant funds received by the Town of Montverde be deposited into a separate account at the United Southern Bank; providing for authorized signers on the account; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read the Resolution by title only.

Mayor Wynkoop opened for public comment. There were no comments.

There was brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop wanted to know if the council still approved the expense.

Attorney Geraci-Carver stated yes.

There was brief discussion.

The Mayor stated it should be Mayor and Vice Mayor.

Attorney Geraci-Carver stated the Bank may

Councilmember Hartle moved to approve Resolution 2022-04 amended to include only the Mayor and Vice Mayor as signature on the account. Mayor Wynkoop seconded. Resolution 2022-04 was approved 5-0.

Resolution 2022-05 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, authorizing the use of American Rescue Plan Act funds for construction of a new library in the Town of Montverde; making findings; providing for an effective date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read the Resolution by title only.

Mayor Wynkoop wanted to know did we agree to use these funds to update the fire station and these funds were going to be used for that? Can we add the construction of the new library and the updating of the fire station?

There was extensive discussion.

Attorney Geraci-Carver stated that this would need to be two resolutions.

There was brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop moved to table Resolution 2022-05. Councilmember Smith seconded. Resolution 2022-05 tabled 5-0.

DISCUSSION AND ADJOURNMENT

Approval of Ranking for RFQ for Engineering and Design Service – Water.

Mayor Wynkoop explained the process of approving the ranking of the Request for Qualifications for Water, Sewer and Library.

Town Manager Larino gave additional information.

Brad Long - Montverde Academy, how does the RFQ and pricing work to make sure you get the best price. Just want to make sure you get the best price.

Jim Peacock – this is for the water connection for Black East. There are 100 flags out on Lake Street that need to be removed. No one ever picks those up, I pick up trash there and I am tired of picking these up.

Vance Jochim – background is corporate auditor. I came from California, sometimes we went out three times for bids. You probably don't get the best price because you go to the top guy and you get the low bid and then they keep adding to it.

Councilmember Bates recommends approval of the ranking for the Engineering and Design Services for Water. Councilmember Smith seconded. Approval of the ranking 5 – 0.

Councilmember Bates recommends approval of the ranking for the Engineering and Design Services for Sewer. Councilmember Hartle seconded. Approval of the ranking 5 – 0.

Councilmember Bates recommends approval of the ranking for the Architectural and Design Services for Library. Councilmember Hartle seconded. Approval of the ranking 5 – 0.

Request for approval of beer and wine sales during the Spring Concert series. Councilmember Bates made a motion to allow the sale of beer and wine at the spring concerts. Vice Mayor Ley seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

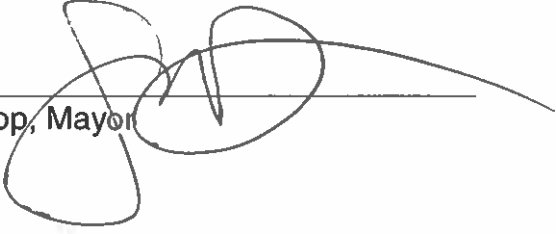
Town Manager gave a brief update on Capital Projects.

REMINDERS AND ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn.

*Mayor Wynkoop moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Smith.
Meeting Adjourned at 9:21 p.m.*

Joe Wynkoop, Mayor



ATTEST:

Sandra Johnson
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Town Clerk