

**MONTVERDE TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETINGS
MINUTES
August 12, 2025, AT 7:00 PM**

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

Joe Wynkoop, Mayor
Carol Womack, Vice Mayor
Allan Hartle, Councilmember
Joe Morganelli, Councilmember
Grant Roberts, Councilmember

STAFF PRESENT

Paul Larino, Town Manager
Anita Geraci-Carver, Town Attorney
Lisa Busto, Associate Planner
Caroline Trepanier, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING CEREMONIES

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

PRESENTATION, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS AND DISCUSSION

Oath of Office - Grant Roberts

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver administered the Oath of Office to Grant Roberts.

Proclamation Acknowledging Constitution Week 2025

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read the Proclamation Acknowledging Constitution Week 2025.

Presentation of U.S. Flag Flown over the U.S. Capitol & State Capitol honoring the Montverde 100-year anniversary

Town Clerk, Sandy Johnson, stated that she spoke to the office of our State Senator Rick Scott regarding the 100-year anniversary of the Town of Montverde and that they had the US flag flown at the US Capitol on May 25, 2025, in honor of Montverde, the US flag, and a plaque were sent as confirmation. Sandy Johnson also shared that she contacted the office of Governor, Ron DeSantis, and that his office had a US flag flown over the State

Capitol and sent a plaque and the US flag. She asked The Council for direction regarding where to display both US flags and plaques.

Town Manager Larino said that this is an honor to have them flown and that they will provide direction as to where to display them.

Councilmember Hartle would like to frame the Proclamation and possibly have this added to our Town website.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop stated that he asked Attorney Sandy Minkoff to attend the Town Council meeting and briefly shared some information regarding the organization that assists the elderly with tax filing.

Sandy Minkoff Attorney, Mount Dora, introduced himself and explained how he came to volunteer with the AARP Tax aid program, a program ran by AARP and funded by AARP & the IRS. He said that they provide tax return preparation assistance to citizens of all ages and further explained the program. He also stated that he has become the coordinator for Central Florida and that there are forty-one (41) sites in his area and that upon hearing of the Montverde Library, he wanted to see if he could establish a site here one (1) or two (2) mornings a week.

There was a brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop stated that this will be further discussed and that they would provide an update on the final decision and that he does not see a problem.

Town Manager Larino asked if the Council would be in agreement to move forward with this service.

Vice Mayor Womack is in agreement.

Lance Belcher, 17720 Virginia Circle, Montverde, FL spoke of the 100-year anniversary, the great Town picnic, stated that he has been in Montverde for forty (40) years, and that Town Manager Larino is the best Town Manager the Town has ever had. He mentioned that he would like to find a home for an artifact and brought in a lightning arrester from the old water tower.

Mayor Wynkoop said that they could find a home for the lightning arrester.

Christian Reyes, 17701 Eighth Street, Montverde, wanted to discuss the development, stated that he attended the Planning & Zoning meeting and that he learned a few things. He asked for clarification on the zoning for Osgood.

Town Manager Larino stated that the PUD (Planned Unit Development) has already been approved and that they are in the preliminary plat process, where they formally form the lots for the Town Council to review.

Christian Reyes, 17701 Eighth Street, Montverde, shared concerns regarding the PUD on ecology, the economy and the storm water issue. He mentioned the discussion of sidewalks and stormwater on Eight & Ninth Street. He further shared his concerns on the PUD.

Addison Reyes, 17701 Eight Street, Montverde, asked where the cows would go and asked about the horses.

Mayor Wynkoop said that they would move to a different field.

There was additional discussion regarding the PUD & the animals.

Scott Arbergast, 17599 Doris Street, Montverde, on Franklin Pond, also shared his concerns regarding the condition of the pond, stated that it is covered with algae and weeds. Asked if there could be a cleanup in the pond.

Mayor Wynkoop asked Town Manager Larino if this could be added to the list and see if estimates could be obtained on a pond clean-up for the Council review.

Town Manager Larino said that he would look at the pond and mentioned a treatment done a couple of years ago when the algae was excessive. He also mentioned that several properties border the pond and said that planting duck potato plants would really help with algae bloom. He will look at opportunities and get back to the Council.

Councilmember Morganelli asked if we could treat the pond as we treated Lake Florence.

There was additional discussion regarding the pond.

Town Manager Larino spoke of the Lakeside project, which is a road expansion and storm water project and that this works at treating additional water and further explained the mechanics.

There was a brief discussion.

George Ganzenmuller, 17740 Neal Drive, Montverde, stated that the runoff from the road is intense and stated that 50% of the pond is unusable. Shared additional information regarding the pond and mentioned that he thinks a grant could be obtained to purify the water issue.

Sam Davidson, 17520 Palm View Avenue, Montverde, spoke about adding a sidewalk on the north side of town, near the lake.

Town Manager Larino said that for the past couple of years, he has actively put in appropriation requests and explained the steps he has taken to budget for sidewalks.

There was a brief discussion on sidewalks.

Farmer Banks Helfrich, South Lake County, shared farming tips, spoke of honesty, integrity, and character. Mentioned that this is looked at during the election, from our representation in all the municipalities around.

Joe Famasi, 2693 Jumping Jack Way, Clermont, congratulated the town on 100 years and shared his concerns on a county charter and the benefits on opposing.

Mayor Wynkoop said that Sean Parks is currently attending meetings regarding the county charter and that we are getting traction in that direction.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public discussion.

Department & Committee Reports

Town Manager Larino Report

Town Manager Larino spoke of hurricane season preparation, and the generators. He welcomed Nate to our Public Works Department and mentioned that we are fully staffed. He also provided an update regarding the Water Quality Reports that were mailed for our water system and said that the speed bumps were installed on Lake Street and Highland Avenue, and that another small speed bump will be added by the stop sign. He announced that at the time of the new library opening, a service will be offered for our citizens to assist with building development and building permits. Sean Parks & Lisa Busto, with Parks Consulting, will have office hours inside the library and will be there to assist with any problem with your site plan or your building permit. Kudos to the staff, through the remodel. He then briefly went over the reports and the Grant Reimbursement Tracking sheet.

Mayor Wynkoop asked for clarification on the Grant Reimbursement Tracking sheet.

Town Manager Larino provided further details regarding the grants and process.

There was additional discussion.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about the Public Safety Committee meeting.

Town Manager Larino explained that the meeting was in relation to safety cameras in the school zones and provided further information.

Vice Mayor Womack asked for clarification regarding the location of the speed cameras.

Town Manager Larino explained that school zones are the only place that you can have speed cameras in Florida.

Mayor Wynkoop stated that Eustis and Mount Dora have them and that the camera companies install, manage the cameras as well as mail out the tickets and asked if we could move forward.

Town Manager Larino explained the challenge that each ticket must be reviewed by traffic enforcement officers or a certified police officer therefore we must coordinate with the highway patrol through a contract. It is an option.

Councilmember Hartle shared his concerns once the bridge opens.

Councilmember Morganelli asked for more information on the cameras and would like to see the video from the last Planning and Zoning meeting.

Town Manager Larino explained that the video is corrupt due to the lightning strike.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about the sidewalk discussion and how it will impact our residents. He spoke about adding the community building as a discussion on the next meeting agenda. He asked about the school vibrating roller.

Town Manager Larino explained that a vibrating roller is done for the roads as standard practice for engineering. If this cannot be done, the alternative would be putting in multiple lifts of the gravel and that this adds a bit of a cost to a project from his understanding.

Councilmember Roberts asked about different size roller restrictions.

There was additional discussion regarding the vibrating rollers.

Mayor Wynkoop asked if an ordinance would be needed to ban the vibrating rollers.

Town Manager Larino confirmed that yes, an ordinance would be needed.

There was a brief discussion.

Councilmember Hartle asked for an update regarding the Lake County's movement with the Fire Department.

Town Manager Larino said that he believes most tortoises have been relocated and that they have a contractor currently working with Paddy to get the permit & fees finalized.

There was a brief discussion.

Councilmember Roberts asked about the possibility of obtaining a masterplan that shows all areas that have potential for a sidewalk.

Town Manager Lario explained that we have a master sidewalk plan, created 15 years ago and that Parks Consulting is currently updating this plan.

Associate Planner Busto confirmed that they have been working on updating the plan in the past two (2) years, spoke of the updated plan and that it is now a layer on the GIS (Geographical Information System) map.

Town Manager Larino said that he can bring this back as a discussion and provided a sidewalk update.

Town Manager Larino's Capital Project Update

1. Library
2. Library Emergency Generator
3. Outdoor Park Bathroom
4. Small Water Storage Tank and Pump House
5. Community Building
6. Fire Station – County
7. Kirk Park Playground
8. Ridgewood Ave – ADA Ramps and Sidewalk Connections
9. Lakeside Ave Storm/Street Project
10. Porter and 1st Storm/Street Project
11. Boat Ramp and Storm Project
12. Truskett Park – Dock, Storm, FEMA Recovery
13. 455 Storm Street, Sidewalk Project
14. 8th, 9th, Temple: Street, Sidewalk, and Storm
15. Well # 1 Generator Replacement
16. Elevated Water Storage Tank
17. Redundant Upper Floridan Well
18. New Lower Floridan Well
19. Consumptive Use Permit
20. Water line Upsizing, Loops, and Hydrants
21. Butterfly Garden - Completed
22. Sports Court – Completed
23. Kirk Park Stage – Completed
24. Baseball Field Conversion – Completed
25. Public Works Storage – Completed
26. Park Lighting – Completed

There was a brief discussion on the list of Capital Projects.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver stated that she provided the Town Council Members with the Town Manager Evaluation forms and asked them to complete the forms and return them to

her by August 26, 2025, so that she may compile the results and bring them forward in September.

Associate Planner Busto thanked Town Manager Larino and the Council for the opportunity to spend a few more hours at the town on a weekly basis starting next month. Expressed that they are really looking forward to it and appreciate the opportunity. She also mentioned that they have been busy with Willow Ridge, swimming pools, fences and the last few houses will be reviewed soon, and that all is going well.

Councilmember Roberts expressed his gratitude for being on the council.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about the screws on Lakeside Drive.

Town Manager Larino communicated with the contractor and said that they will do better.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about a distribution list where there is one email address for everyone on the Council and shared his views on Cal's Kitchen closing. He also brought up that he would like staff to complete an anonymous survey to express how they feel about Town Manager Larino as a Town Manager, and to see what the Council can do to help them improve at their job and further elaborated on this idea.

Mayor Wynkoop stated that he will have to think about this idea.

Vice Mayor Womack inquired about the reason for the staff survey.

Councilmember Morganelli explained that he wants the staff to complete a survey so that they can improve as a team.

Town Manager Larino expressed that his role is to bring up these issues as he sees them with his staff and further expressed his thoughts on this idea.

There was additional discussion on this idea.

Vice Mayor Womack said that she likes the idea of feedback, but she is not sure it is the best approach.

Councilmember Hartle agreed with Vice Mayor Womack, Mayor Wynkoop and Town Manager Larino and further explained his views.

There was a brief discussion.

Town Manager Larino further explained his views and feels the survey should come from him, as the Town Manager, and it could be presented to the Council and elaborated. He stated that the staff feels that the Council supports them through training, bonuses, wages, & with kudos.

Vice Mayor Womack spoke to the residents of Franklin Pond and agreed that it needs help.

Town Manager Larino stated that he will be looking into it and the reason for its state.

Vice Mayor Womack spoke of the sign that needs to be removed since the closure of Division Street. She asked about Ridgewood and diverting the boat traffic to Porter Avenue.

Town Manager Larino said that he would have to check with the residents of Third Street and Porter Avenue to see how this would impact them.

Vice Mayor Womack spoke of Kirk Island, and that she would like it to be a private island for residents of Montverde and provided more detail.

Councilmember Morganelli discussed the maintenance and asked how it would be funded.

There was an elaborate discussion regarding Kirk Island.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver suggested that we wait and see the proposed language and that they would be the ones that set some of the conditions and it will come to the Council to say whether they are willing to accept those conditions, and this will be the appropriate time to have that discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop explained to the residents that Chris Anthony and his wife would like to give Kirk Island to the Town of Montverde and briefly described the initial verbal agreement.

Vice Mayor Womack spoke of the tennis and pickleball courts and the possibility of converting one of the tennis courts into a pickleball court.

Town Manager Larino discussed the possibilities of reserving the courts for Montverde residents, and the need for volunteers to organize a recreation league and explained this idea.

There was a brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop asked if the sports court can be restricted since they were built with money from land sold & impact fees, not grant money. And suggested adding a sign that allocates set times for residents and non-residents.

Town Manager Larino stated that we legally can add the sign, however, enforcing it may be challenging.

There was additional discussion on the sports court.

Vice Mayor Womack asked for clarification on right of ways and roads.

Town Manager Larino provided an explanation.

There was a brief discussion.

Councilmember Hartle asked about a FEMA update for Truskett Park.

Town Manager Larino explained that there were no recent updates, and that there are two (2) separate applications, one for the reimbursement of the cleanup and the other application is for the mitigation and provided further details.

Councilmember Hartle asked for an update regarding Daniel Webster's mentioning of Town of Montverde on a road project on a federal level.

Town Manager Larino answered that this is still in the cycle and that he is expecting some emails requesting letters of support and he is working on gathering the letters and that as far as he knows, this is still in the budget for US appropriations.

There were further discussions on this topic.

Councilmember Hartle thanked Vice Mayor Womack for her enthusiasm, being a visionary and looking forward. And mentioned that the town looks good and the road development projects improvements.

Vice Mayor Womack spoke of the loose screws issue on Lakeside Drive.

Town Manager Larino said this is supposed to be corrected and if there are any related issues to contact him immediately.

Mayor Wynkoop discussed the request for senior activities such as bingo. He also mentioned big news regarding the Town's Time Capsule for 100 years and provided details. He also brought up the road downtown, by the gas station, around Lakeside Drive and County Road 455 and the idea of adding a stop sign.

There was an elaborate discussion regarding the possibility of adding a stop sign.

Mayor Wynkoop asked if we still sent flowers to the grave of deceased Montverde residents.

Town Manager Larino stated that we have a bereavement fund and that we send flowers to their service.

Mayor Wynkoop asked about sidewalk repair.

Town Manager Larino said the repairs are coming up quickly.

JULY FINANCE REPORT

Beginning Bank Balance	\$ 4,451,507.35
Revenues	\$ 1,239,185.40
Expenditures	\$ 831,607.09
Ending Balance	\$ 4,859,085.66
Pending Liabilities	\$ 145,716.99
Available Cash	\$ 4,713,368.67
Total Bank Balance	\$ 4,713,368.67

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the Town Council Special Meeting held June 3, 2025

Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting held June 10, 2025

Vice Mayor Womack made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Town Council Special Meeting held June 3, 2025 & the Minutes of the Town Council Regular Meeting held June 10, 2025. Councilmember Hartle seconded. Minutes approved 5-0.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Update

Town Manager Larino explained the budget presentation listed on the PowerPoint Presentation.

Selection of Planning & Zoning Board Member

Vice Mayor Womack nominated James Rogers.

Councilmember Hartle nominated Michael Whidden. Councilmember Morganelli seconded the motion. Michael Whidden was appointed to the Planning & Zoning Board 5-0.

Discussion of the draft Ordinance relating to the regulation of the operation of golf carts on public streets within the Town of Montverde

Town Manager Larino mentioned that the Council asked for this to be brought back as a discussion item relating to County Road 455 and Ridgewood Avenue. He further explained the ordinance.

There was an elaborate discussion regarding the use of golf carts.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public discussion.

Donald Lipham 16533 Pine Timber Avenue, Montverde, shared his thoughts regarding golf carts and what they bring to towns. He feels it is a community thing.

Vice Mayor Womack asked Town Attorney Geraci-Carver for clarification on where golf carts are allowed.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver explained that they are not allowed to travel on County Road 455 currently.

There was a brief discussion.

Kelly Rogers 17325 Second Street, Montverde, FL, shared her views, believes the use of golf carts is a positive idea.

There was additional discussion on the use of golf carts.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver stated that you must be 18 to drive the golf cart and must have a driver's license or a permit, will add to next agenda.

There was additional discussion regarding the use of golf carts.

Councilmember Hartle asked if it is possible to keep golf carts off County Road 455.

Councilmember Morganelli asked if everyone is in agreement regarding the use of golf carts being permitted around Town however, not permitted on County Road 455 and Ridgewood Avenue.

There was a brief discussion.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver asked if they wanted to move forward with the ordinance as-is or she could speak with Lake County to find out more information regarding the golf carts being allowed on County Road 455 and/or Ridgewood Avenue.

Mayor Wynkoop asked Town Attorney Geraci-Carver to proceed with speaking with Lake County regarding access and they can revisit later.

There was an additional discussion.

Woodard & Curran Project Update

Leslie Dumas, Woodard and Curran, introduced herself and stated that she is working on the Consumptive Use Permit, she detailed the slides on the PowerPoint Presentation such as the Timeline of CUP (Consumptive Use Permit), Requests from SJRWMD (Saint Johns River Water Management District) Status, Water Use & Source Analysis – Year 2045, the Work Remaining, Alternative Water Supply Options.

Scott Shannon, Woodard & Curran, detailed the next PowerPoint Presentation slide on Active Projects regarding the Drinking Water Improvement Projects Update.

Mayor Wynkoop asked for clarification on the grant timeline.

Scott Shannon said he believes it is November of 2027 and that they are working with DEP.

There was further discussion on the approval & construction timeline.

Councilmember Hartle asked Scott Shannon if he knows of any other cities beside Leesburg that have been turned down for the Consumptive Use Permit.

Scott Shannon said that he does not, spoke of similar processes that he is working on with other cities such as Groveland & Mascotte and limited water supply and the aquifer.

Councilmember Hartle briefly discussed the City of Leesburg water supply situation.

Scott Shannon spoke of the Town's SAHFI grant for the stormwater, and that they are working on a facilities plan to identify the projects that will be used to handle drainage and water quality issues within the town. He then detailed the PowerPoint Presentation on Stormwater Facility Plan.

Town Manager Larino explained the amount of the SAHFI grant which is \$20 million and the bidding process.

There was additional discussion regarding the project process & the timeline.

Scott Shannon detailed the next PowerPoint slide regarding improvements to Porter Avenue and First Street and that Town Manager Larino now has the draft documents for review.

Town Manager Larino stated that he just received them and also has the 100% bid documents and that Anita will do a final legal review of these documents and they will be put out to bid in the next few weeks.

Scott Shannon provided an update on Lakeside Drive Construction.

There was an elaborate discussion.

Discussion on SJRWMD's conservation rebate program

Leslie Dumas explained the SJRWMD's (St Johns River Water Management District) conservation rebate program & the CFWI (Central Florida Water Initiative) and highlighting the smart sprinklers.

Mayor Wynkoop asked which other cities are doing this.

Leslie Dumas will find out.

Town Manager Larino explained that it is important to make proactive efforts to save water and make SJRWMD happy and further explained the process of conservation rebate program.

Councilmember Hartle provided his views on the program and the new development requirements.

Town Manager Larino explained that he believes that the new building codes require smart sprinklers, and that this is for existing town residents.

There was an elaborate discussion on the process of having the smart sprinklers installed as well as the benefits.

Councilmember Morganelli asked if this would come out of the general fund.

Town Manager Larino stated that it will come out of the water fund.

Councilmember Roberts asked how many HOAs the Town has.

Town Manager Larino thinks there are seven (7) HOAs.

There was additional discussion regarding the town's water, irrigation and smart sprinklers.

Mayor Wynkoop asked if the Council would like to move forward.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public discussion.

Mike Whidden, 17345 Porter Avenue, Unit B, Montverde FL, spoke of conserving water asked about Osgood.

Town Manager Larino explained that the town's potable water will not be used for irrigation for Osgood or any of the new developments. Their option is to pull it off the lake or they have to make a financial contribution to the town for the lower aquifer well that is being put in.

There was a brief discussion.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public discussion.

Resolution No. 2025-183 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, Designating an Administrative Authority to Receive, Review, And Process a Plat or Replat Submittal, and Designating an Administrative Official to Approve, Approve with Conditions or Deny a Plat or Replat, as Required by Chapter 2025-164, Laws of Florida; Providing Directions and Providing for an Effective Date.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver read the resolution by title and explained the resolution. Said that this is a new law that went into effect July 1st, 2025. Final Plats are no longer going to go in front of the Planning and Zoning Board or the Town Council for approval. They will now be approved at the administrative level. The new law says that we need to have council, by resolution or ordinance, designate the department or the person receiving applications and the person who will determine whether they meet all the conditions for approval of a final plat and sign off on the plat. In this resolution, the permitting official was designated as the one to receive the applications and then the administrative officer with authority to approve the plat is delegated to the Town Manager. The resolution also provides that an ordinance will be brought back in the future for the Council to adopt.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing.

No one spoke in favor or against.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about Town Attorney Geraci-Carver if she had received his email.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver said that she received the email and has discussed it with the Town Manager and Associate Planner Busto, however, she needs direction from the Council if any of those additional items need to be researched or are to be included.

Councilmember Morganelli explained his email to Town Attorney Geraci-Carver.

Mayor Wynkoop asked if Councilmember Morganelli wants the Council to have a copy of this email.

Councilmember Morganelli asked Town Attorney Geraci-Carver if he can provide a copy to the Council.

Town Attorney Geraci-Carver said that it would be beneficial for the Council to have a copy of what Councilmember Morganelli provided and if there is consensus for her to look into it, then it would be something that could be brought back, with the Council's direction, in the ordinance form however, in the short term as this law did go into effect July 1st, 2025, it would be prudent for the Council to approved the resolution knowing that they will get an ordinance that will go into the town's code and that will give them time as a Council to review the items Councilmember Morganelli has brought up.

Mayor Wynkoop emphasized the information that Town Attorney Geraci-Carver explained.

Councilmember Morganelli briefly went over his email and what he would like added to the resolution.

There was additional discussion regarding the resolution and preliminary plats.

There was extensive discussion regarding the process of contacting the Town Attorney regarding council questions and requests.

Mayor Wynkoop moved to approve Resolution 2025-183.

Vice Mayor Womack seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-183 Approved 5-0.

Resolution No. 2025-184 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, Approving Task Order for Engineering Services for Renewal of the Town's Consumptive Use Permit Dated July 9, 2025 between the Town of Montverde and Woodard & Curran, Inc.; Authorizing the Town Manager to Execute the Task Order; Providing for an Effective Date.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Resolution.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing.

No one spoke in favor or against.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about the total cost for Woodard & Curran regarding this.

Town Manager Larino stated that the task order is for \$41,000 and provided details of the cost.

There was additional discussion on Resolution No. 2025-184.

Councilmember Hartle moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-184.

Councilmember Morganelli seconded. Resolution No. 2025-184 approved 5-0.

Resolution No. 2025-177 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, Approving the standard form of agreement for Professional Services between the Town of Montverde and Halff Associates, inc.; Authorizing Execution; Providing for an Effective Date

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

There was a brief discussion regarding the Resolution.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing.

No one spoke in favor or against.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Womack moved to approve Resolution 2025-177. Councilmember Hartle seconded the motion. Resolution 2025-177 Approved 5-0.

Resolution No. 2025-186 A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Montverde, Florida, Approving the Agreement for Mowing and Landscaping Maintenance Services Awarded pursuant to RFP 2025-01; Authorizing Execution; Providing for an Effective Date.

Mayor Wynkoop explained the resolution.

Mayor Wynkoop opened the public hearing.

No one spoke in favor or against.

Mayor Wynkoop closed the public hearing.

Councilmember Morganelli asked for an explanation on choosing Yellowstone Landscape and said that the reviews that he read online were not very good.

Town Manager Larino explained that we verified their references and that Caroline, the Administrative Assistant, did the background verification. And that it was a combination of price proposed, references of past performances, manpower, proven experience as well as the capability to do this job as it is a big job; fertilizer, lawn service, mulching, mowing services. And further explained the decision.

There was additional discussion regarding the landscaping agreement.

Mayor Wynkoop shared his thoughts on giving Yellowstone Landscaping a chance.

Councilmember Hartle moved to approve Resolution No. 2025-186.

Councilmember Roberts seconded. Resolution No. 2025-186 approved 5-0.

Mayor Wynkoop asked Town Manager Larino to provide information regarding the upcoming meeting.

Town Manager Larino explained the next meeting; Osgood Preliminary Development Plan, and after approval, they will go to engineering drawings, also mentioned that Mr. Roberts has a site plan for parking area. He also shared that the following Tuesday meeting, August 26, 2025, will be for a final review of the draft budget.

Councilmember Morganelli asked about a strategic planning meeting, possibly an all-day meeting in January 2025.

Mayor Wynkoop asked for clarification.

Councilmember Morganelli stated that it is to have discussions as to all be on the same page.

There was a brief discussion.

Town Manager Larino asked for clarification on the topics of this meeting.

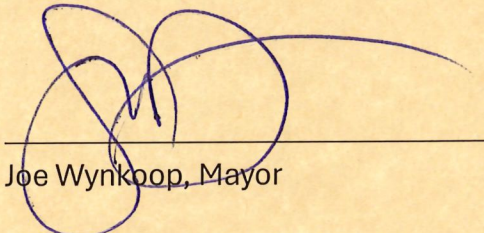
Vice Mayor Womack asked for clarification.

There was additional discussion regarding setting a strategic planning meeting and the topics.

Mayor Wynkoop said that a one (1), three (3) and five (5) year plan can be good as well as the priorities and that he understands, and this can be scheduled anytime and that it is a good idea, and to schedule this after Montverde Day, possibly in January, as it can be the best month.

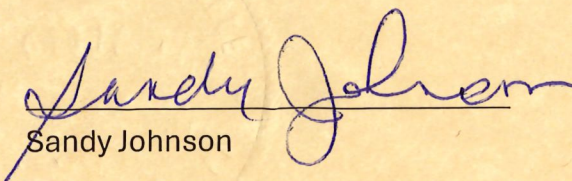
Mayor Wynkoop moved to adjourn. Vice Mayor Womack seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 PM.



Joe Wynkoop, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sandy Johnson