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TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Town Hall Council Chambers
Thursday ~ March 8, 2018
7:00 p.m.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- VI. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**
 - a. Approval of the minutes for the February 22, 2018 regular meeting
- VII. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATION**
- VIII. COMMENTS FROM THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**
- IX. SECOND READINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS**
- X. FIRST READINGS AND REGULAR AGENDA**
- XI. REPORTS**
 - Town Attorney
 - Mayor
 - Town Administrator
 - Committee/Delegate Report
 - Treasurer's Report (included in packet)
- XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- XIII. NEW BUSINESS**
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

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Official Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Haverhill Town Council was held on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at the Town Hall, 4585 Charlotte Street, Haverhill, Florida. Those present were Jay G. Foy, Mayor; Lawrence Gordon, Vice Mayor; Mark Uptegraph, Council Member, Jo Plyler, Council Member and Remar Harvin, Council Member. Also present were John Foster, Town Attorney and Janice C. Rutan, Town Administrator.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Foy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Foy offered the Invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The Town Administrator called the roll. All members were present.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Gordon, seconded by Council Member Harvin and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve the agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes for the February 22, 2018 regular meeting

A motion was made by Council Member Plyler, seconded by Council member Harvin and unanimously passed (5-0) to approve the consent agenda as presented.

PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATION

Mayor Foy announced that this would be Council Member Jo Plyler's last meeting as she was not seeking reelection. He then read into the record a proclamation prepared for Council Member Plyler that highlighted her many years of service to the Town of Haverhill from her being their Town Clerk beginning in 1976 to her serving on Council. It also recognized her years of volunteer work with the Town and finally serving as a Council Member for Seat 2 since 2015.

Cake was served and the discussion among those present focused on the history of Haverhill, Council Member Plyler's knowledge of the Town, memories and Council accomplishments over the years. She was thanked Council Member for her years of service and expressed that she would be missed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Deputy Defreitis addressed the Town Council. He reported on the crime statistics for the period February 22 through March 8, 2018. There was a report of domestic violence at 5323 Club Road. There was a call for service at 1225 No. Haverhill Road and a trespass on 4968 Cypress. There was a civil and police matter at 5470 Belvedere and a complaint of shots fired at 1157 Palmetto. There were unwanted guests removed from 980 No. Military Trail.

Council expressed their appreciation to the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office.

SECOND READINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

FIRST READINGS AND REGULAR AGENDA

None.

REPORTS

Town Attorney

Attorney Foster expressed his appreciation to Council Member Plyer and noted the many years they had been working together. He commented that when he began to take over the position of Town Attorney from his father, the only advice his father had given him was “to ask Jo”, as she was the go to, know all for all Town business!

He then reported that the dispensing of medical marijuana was still in conflict with Federal law, and as such, it would be his recommendation that the moratorium be extended. Discussion followed. The moratorium would not permit dispensing of medical marijuana within the Town limits, however, it would not affect a doctor’s prescription of medical marijuana.

Mayor

Mayor Foy also commented on how his introduction to local politics was facilitated by Jo Plyler who at the time was Town Clerk for Haverhill. She suggested he serve on a Town Board which then led to Council.

Town Administrator

The Town Administrator reported on a recent vehicle accident that had damaged the Town’s western median by knocking out the backflow system and taking out all the foxtail palms. She reported that these accidents occur often enough that she was suggesting an alternate design for the medians. The proposed cost to replace the backflow is over \$4,000 and trying to chase down the reimbursement either through insurance and/or court restitution demanded an excessive amount of her time. She suggested designs that would not require irrigation and little or no maintenance.

Discussion followed and it was suggested the Town look into native grasses or cabbage palms.

Daniel Sohn, Candidate for Town Council, present in the audience, suggested the Town contact the Soil and Water Conservation Commission or the Native Plant Society for suggestions. He noted they may even maintain the medians after planting.

She next reported that the Town had learned the Palm Beach County Sheriff’s office would be raising their hourly rates for permit details. Several numbers had been suggested, however, Joseph Roche, Director of Public Services had been in touch with Lieutenant Thibodaux and would report back on the final rates and when the increase would be implemented.

The Town Administrator was planning to attend a meeting hosted by FEMA to discuss the Town’s flood risk.

She next reported on the meeting conducted by Commissioner Paulette Burdick held in the Town Hall with the residents of Ivywood Road to discuss the condition of Ivywood Road and possible resurfacing. Present at the meeting were several residents from Ivywood Road, Commissioner Burdick and Tanya O’Connell, Assistant County Engineer, Vice Mayor Gordon, Town Engineer Todd McLeod and Town Administrator Janice Rutan.

Several options were presented including the County entering into a MSTU with the residents of Ivywood to reconstruct the road to County standards to be paid back through Ad Valorem taxes assessed to the residents and in turn entering into an Interlocal Agreement between the County and the Town to allow a road within the Town to be constructed to County, and not Town standards.

Lastly, Joseph Roche, Director of Public Services reported on the Park and Cyprus Lane Drainage Improvement project. He commented on the adulation of the valley gutter and that they were laying sod. The road would be milled on Thursday.

Committee/Delegate Report

Council member Remar Harvin reported on the League of Cities General membership meeting that had been held the day prior. It was sponsored by the Palm Beach Community College Loxahatchee Campus and the food served came from a local farm (Farm to Table). Topics of discussion at the meeting included a recent finding on a St. Petersburg meeting that had been held in the “shade”, and how Enterprise leasing works with local municipalities for fleet management and maintenance.

Treasurer’s Report

Included in packet.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Town Administrator reported that she had several inquiries regarding the annual picnic. It was agreed the matter of both the annual picnic and the Halloween event would take place during the budget planning cycle.

All were reminded of the local election March 13, 2018.

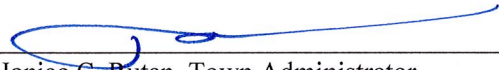
NEW BUSINESS

None.

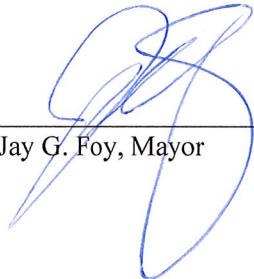
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved: April 12, 2018



Janice C. Rutan, Town Administrator



Jay G. Foy, Mayor

