

Town of Grant-Valkaria  
Interim Council Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, October 11, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.  
Grant Community Center

A. **CALL TO ORDER** – 7:02 P.M.

B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

C. **ROLL CALL (by Interim Council Clerk)**

Bonnie Allan - absent  
Denni Burr - present  
Lisette Kolar - present  
Jim Tonti - present  
Tim Reynolds - absent

D. **ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA**

New business: G.2. – (Burr) – Grant Community Center conference room availability after 10/25/06

G.3. – (Kolar) – Accounting firm listing to the Council for approval

G.4. – (Kolar) – Nominees solicited from FMIT's Board of Trustees

G.5. – (Kolar) – Replacement of bridge on Gradick Drive

G.6. – (Kolar) – Brevard County requesting exemption from Florida Statute regarding ATVs

E. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

1. Approval of 10/4/06 minutes  
Motion made to approve the 10/4 minutes

MOTION BY TONTI; SECONDED BY BURR.

VOICE VOTE ON THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. (Burr) - Cost and contact information for ordering copies of the Candidate Forum DVDs recorded by Reality's Edge Production

Dylan Yonts of Reality's Edge Productions has delivered five DVDs for the 10/5 Candidate Forum. The DVDs were at an expense of \$50. Dylan's recording was an excellent, un-cut recording running 2 hours and 5 minutes long. For residents inquiring about purchasing a copy of the DVD, they can be purchased directly from Dylan Yonts at \$10 each. He is attending the meeting tonight and can be contacted after the Town Council meeting tonight or he can be contacted at 321-960-3886.

Two copies of the DVDs are now available in the Grant Community Center Library. Residents who check them out must return them the next day the library is open. The library is open on Tuesdays from 10 A.M. until 4 P.M., Thursdays from 6 P.M. until 8 P.M. and on Saturdays from 10 A.M. until noon.

Two copies of the DVDs were also placed at the South Mainland Library, Micco Branch in Barefoot Bay. One DVD will be available for a two-day check-out and the second DVD will be on reserve at the library at anytime for one person or for a group of 4 or 5 people.

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Burr requested Kolar announce the availability of the DVDs for the 10/5/06 Candidate Forum on the e-mail list.

2. (All) – Planning for 11/21/06 Town Council Meeting
3. (Burr) – Availability of Sunrise Elementary School for the first elected Council meeting on 11/21/06

Burr reported that Sunrise Elementary School is available for the 11/21/06 Town Council meeting at 7 P.M. She has been requested to send the principal a set-up for the meeting when the date gets closer and Burr has agreed to do so.

Kolar spoke about the drafted list she sent to the Interim Council of persons to which she thought might be extended special invitations to the Town's first elected Council meeting on 11/21/06. After much discussion, the list was accepted with additions for Cathy Wysor, Melbourne City Clerk, and Loredana Kalaghchy, Cocoa Beach City Clerk. Agreement also was reached to have a ceremonial portion and then a limited meeting with only critical items for the elected Council which will include a resolution to ratify the Interim Council actions. Letters to invitees by special invitation will include Representative Poppell, Andrew Grogan (Poppell's assistant), Senator Haridopolos, Dave Laney, Susan Kabana, Malabar Mayor and Town Council, Father John-St. Sebastian Catholic Church, Cathy Wysor, Loredana Kalaghchy, Palm Bay Mayor and Town Council, Lee Feldman, Peggy Busacca, Ed Washburn, and Morris Richardson. The Interim Council meeting on 11/21/06 will consist of the call to order, pledge of allegiance, introducing the guests, administering the oaths of the elected Council members, and adjournment. Then the first elected Council meeting can be called to order.

4. (Kolar and George Wolfe) – Resolution for state-wide mutual aid agreement

Kolar drafted the resolution and sent it to Karl Bohne who approved it.

A copy of the insurance binder until 12/31/06 was provided to Terri Wolfe at the 10/11/06 Interim Council meeting. The Council insisted that we need to have a complete copy of the document prior to agreement. The Interim Town Clerk is to complete the names, addresses, and other contact information required on Form A for Town contacts (George Wolfe, Jim Tonti, and Bonnie Allan) by the 10/18/06 meeting.

Resolution read by Kolar. Reynolds will be requested to post the resolution on the Town web-site.

5. (Reynolds) – status, if any, of inter-local agreement with Palm Bay re: Country Beginnings/Oakwood School

Kolar reported that Reynolds had called Lee Feldman, Palm Bay City Manager, and has sent him a copy of the approved agreement that he had sent Karl Bohne the Friday after passage of that agreement. Feldman acknowledged receipt and stated it would most likely be on the 10/17/06 Palm Bay City Council agenda. Indications are that Palm Bay is still working through the process and that this agreement is not the pacing item.

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6. (Kolar) – Payment schedule and insurance policy renewal for 10/1/06 through 9/30/07

The payment schedule approved by the Council on 10/4/06 has been sent to FMIT. The payment due on 12/1/06 per that schedule would be approximately \$1,255.

7. (Kolar) – Eagle Crest Preserve: Plat approval by Brevard County Commissioners on 10/10/06

Kolar attended the meeting. She spoke so it was put on records our concerns about the water coming from Palm Bay and the authority of the County to approve this plat. This plat references 178 acres and about 104 homes. Bohne had stated the Town would have a difficult time trying to stop water being provided by Palm Bay. It was suggested that the newly elected Council could address sites going to Palm Bay for water through use of an inter-local agreement to protect the Town's interests.

The County approved the plat. It was stated that further approvals of that site would have to come to Grant-Valkaria.

8. (Kolar and Bohne) – Drafting of resolution to ratify actions of Interim Council

Kolar sent the actions of the Interim Council she drafted for ratification to the Council members. Bohne has not looked at the listing as yet. Kolar will see if other Council members have added to the actions of the Interim Council and will bring it to the 10/18/06 meeting.

9. (Reynolds) – status of letter to County expressing concern regarding Valkaria Airport master plan references to land-use decisions

10. (Reynolds) – review draft letter to County requesting Grant-Valkaria representation/appointees to the VAAB

Kolar stated that Reynolds has drafted a letter to the County expressing concern that the working paper #3 does not reference the Town's ordinances and future land-use plans. Additionally, the letter to the County requested three voting seats on the Valkaria Airport Advisory Board for Town seats to be available for appointment effective 1/1/07.

11. (Burr) – Candidate Forums

Burr reported that attendance and feedback at Candidate Forum #2 was very good. 10/26/06 will be the final Candidate Forum, same time, same place. Burr will be contacting volunteers for set-up and providing cookies and beverages.

Burr also stated that Dylan Yonts will film the first elected Council meeting on 11/21/06. To follow-up on a contact from a Town resident, Burr will contact SGTV to see if they will broadcast the Council meeting if the meeting is provided to them on DVD.

**G. NEW BUSINESS:**

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1. (Reynolds) – 10/10/06 meeting re: Valkaria Airport Master Plan, Working Paper #3

Kolar attending the Valkaria Airport Master Plan meeting on working paper #3 as Reynolds solicited an Interim Council member substitute in his absence. She also said she had submitted a written comment as to concern that working paper #3 did not make reference to the Town, its ordinances and land use regulations and ask that they be added where appropriate. Additionally, she said the council would be happy to schedule a workshop with Dr. Barker and Brevard County to discuss specific issues.

Kolar reported that working paper #3 provided alternatives for runways, taxiways, lighting, aprons, fueling facilities, hangar C, and golf parking. Janice Walters stated there is one more meeting and two more working papers. They will announce the final choice for the options and then the plan will go to the County Commission.

Del Yonts stated that the meeting was well attended with many local pilots in attendance. He stated that the next meeting of the Valkaria Airport Advisory Board will be Monday, 10/16/06, at 7 P.M. at which they will hear the same options presented in working paper #3 and attendees will be provided a form to provide preference as to the options provided. Public comment included the working paper #3 detailed options related to position of the hangars and lighting thresholds in which prior resident comments seem to have been considered.

Another public comment asked if any plans included parachute and para-military training at the airport which is presently conducted in Titusville. Other comments were made as to making accommodations at the Valkaria airport for the Griffin group.

2. [Added agenda item] – (Burr) - Grant Community Center conference room availability after 10/25/06

It was reported that Grant-Valkaria was to have the use of the Grant Community Center through the end of the December 2006 yet the current schedule only shows the Town's use through 10/25/06. Clerk agreed to contact Allan, absent during this meeting, to ask that she confirm the Town's use of the facilities from 10/25/06 through 12/31/06.

3. [Added agenda item] – (Kolar) - Accounting firm listing to the Council for approval

Reynolds stated it will probably be months before the Council has hired a Town Clerk and software to do proper Government Accounting, he requested authorization to bring a list of prospective firms and qualification to the Council for approval. Motion was made to submit said list to the Council.

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4. [Added agenda item] – (Kolar) - Nominees solicited from FMIT's Board of Trustees

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Kolar stated the Town had been contacted by the Florida Mutual Insurance Trust as to their request for nominees on FMIT's Board of Trustees. It was decided that no one was interested in being a nominee on that Board.

5. [Added agenda item] – (Kolar) - Replacement of bridge on Gradick Drive

Kolar reported that the Town had requested contact be made in reference to County action within the Town. Ed Washburn, Assistant County Manger, had the Town contacted in reference to the upcoming bridge replacement construction for the Gradick Drive Bridge over Goat Creek. The Florida Department of Transportation has a contractor on-board who plans to begin the on-site construction near the end of October 2006. The old wooden bridge, which has a 3-ton weight restriction and has termite damage in its wing walls, will be replaced with a new reinforced concrete box culverts and wing walls at no cost to Brevard County or the current Town of Grant-Valkaria.

Bobby Putnam also provided historical and current information regarding this replacement bridge.

6. [Added agenda item] – (Kolar) - Brevard County requesting exemption from Florida Statute regarding ATVs

Kolar informed the Council of a new Florida Statute in which Brevard County is asking for exemption. The new law allows All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) to run on dirt roads with a speed limit of less than 30 MPH during daylight hours by a licensed driver. The County is planning the first reading of opting-out of this ATV law on 10/31/06 with the second reading scheduled for 11/2/06. Dylan Yonts stated he believes the law is effective 1/1/07. Kolar will bring more information on this subject to the next Interim Council meeting.

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

A.J. Morgan addressed the Council as to the number of people on the elected Council. He said that as most of the candidates have similar platforms, he wondered why the elected Council excluding the mayoral position could not be increased from six to nine positions. It was explained that to change that at this time, would require the Town Charter to be changed as it specified six Council positions and one mayoral position. Many other speakers also stated that for the candidates not elected, there would be many opportunities to work on committees and boards to assist the Town and the elected Council.

Kolar showed the Town gavel and base made by Joe Mullins which had been used for this 10/11/06 Town meeting. It is made of Royal Mahogany. Joe stated he was going to get an inscription put on the base for the gavel by next week's meeting.

**I. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made to adjourn.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:38 P.M.

BY:  
(Signature on file)

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Interim Council Chairperson

ATTEST:  
(Signature on file)

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Karlene Folts  
Interim Clerk

10/18/06  
DATE: \_\_\_\_\_