

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M. AT
TOWN HALL BUILDING, 5120 HIGHWAY US1, GRANT VALKARIA, FLORIDA 32949

The regular Town Council meeting of the Town of Grant-Valkaria, Florida, of Wednesday, June 10, 2009 was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Mayor Del Yonts followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Kolar, and roll call to the Council Members with the following present:

Mayor – Del Yonts	Town Administrator Richard Hood
Seat No. 1 – Joe Hackford	Town Clerk Susanne Krueger
Seat No. 2 – Lisette Kolar	
Seat No. 3 – Pat Bryan	
Seat No. 4 – Jason Mahaney, Vice Mayor	
Seat No. 5 – Dan Faden	
Seat No. 6 – Cathy DeMott	

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Mayor Yonts requested “Discussion/Action Re Town Administrator Performance Review” after “Board Reports and Comments”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1) Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2009

Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Council Member DeMott, and vote unanimous to approve Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2009 with conditions that scrivener’s errors corrected.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (non- agenda items)

Jim Tonti inquired why the minutes are one month in arrears on the website. Mayor Yonts stated that staff is busy with numerous things in addition to typing the minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Discussion/Action Re Emergency Management Plan (Hood)

Town Administrator Hood stated that he has received in-house an emergency management plan last week. He suggested that key points be taken and made into a checklist for next meeting or the first meeting in July. He stated he will prepare, bring back to Council a listing of who is in charge and who does what prior to an emergency; that way one page will work until we can go over the entire emergency plan. Questions arose from Council as to where the radios were and Council Member Hackford stated he has some at the Grant Community Center that came from the old fire department. Mr. Hood stated that George Wolfe wanted him to state for the record

that everyone needs to remember to pickup brochures at the grocery store which has a checklist of supplies to stock up for seventy-two hours.

Town Administrator Hood stated that he received a call from Nancy Higgs, Barefoot Bay, about a meeting with Emergency Operations Center on emergency preparedness for residents being held Saturday, July 18 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. Ms. Higgs inquired if the town would like to co-sponsor this meeting, and put information about it on our website for residents. The meeting will be in Building A at the Barefoot Bay Center. It was Council consensus to invite residents to meeting.

- 2) Discussion/Action Re Request For Monetary Support Towards City of Melbourne July 4, 2009 Fireworks Display (Hood)

Town Administrator Hood stated that the Town received a letter from City of Melbourne requesting monetary support towards their July 4th 2009 Fireworks Display. It was Council consensus to not to move forward on this item.

REPORTS

- 1) Town Administrator's Report

Town Administrator Hood gave his report as follows:

- A) Sign - our contractor CDM Trucking has the demolition contract for the City of Melbourne sign and he wanted to know if the town would like him to salvage this sign. Art Kraft Sign informed him that it just needs a new panel. Mr. Hood was informed by CDM that it would cost them \$100 to cut off the sign to haul it off. Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Council Member Faden, and vote unanimous to allocate \$100 to secure sign. It was Council consensus to place the sign in storage.
- B) Environmental Endangered Lands (EELs) - requested Council input regarding if they would like to formally discuss the EELs land swap before we send in the land use map or bring back to Council on June 24. It was Council consensus to bring back June 24 with exhibits.
- C) Grant Community Center - stated that there were some people upset with the way that the Town obtained use of the Grant Community Center and maybe the staff can handle the coordination for the usage.
- D) Relocated residency - by contract he requests Council approval to him moving closer to Town Hall. Motions by Council Member Bryan, second by Council Member Kolar, and vote unanimous to allow Town Administrator to live closer.

- 2) Financial Report

Mayor Yonts stated that if anyone has any questions about the financial report they can call Town Administrator Hood.

- 3) Council Reports and Comments

Council Members gave the following reports:

- Council Member Faden - went to business group meeting on Thursday at Orbit RV and they were not there; he will attend the next meeting
- Council Member Kolar - attended Brevard Water Board meeting where they discussed that we are considered a resource caution area in that there is not enough water for projected growth, that they are running out of funds for south area, but they will be issuing consumptive use permits; July 24 there will be a south planning area meeting in Vero Beach at the Indian River County Commission; she talked to Ann Benedetti to come in after July meeting to talk to town; Town seal contest forms are on the website with a July 27 deadline; Dennis Meehan donated \$100 gift certificate in art supplies to the winner
- Council Member Hackford - Dylan Yonts showed great a DVD of the Grant Seafood Festival; Jamie Seymour told him that the boat ramp should be done within a year
- Mayor Yonts - attended the City of Melbourne grand opening; attended Town of Palm Shores 50th Anniversary; Palm Bay Hospital Open House will be Saturday, June 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; attended Brevard County Summit on June 5 where all but three cities were in attendance, and they discussed SB360 where it might push people out to less dense areas to develop, home town democracy, beachside toy drive will turn into a food drive, Malabar stated there is no bus stops in south county-they are looking for one on Malabar Road, the concept of the cities and county consolidating services was brought up and not accepted, and Representative Workman wants to change public notice requirements other than in local newspapers; attended Space Coast League of Cities meeting June 8 where three junior representatives attended; received phone call this morning from Vancouver, General Aviation News; requested status on lease - Mr. Hood responded that they have taken a sketch to the county, they would get plans done prior to submittal and they would bring it in to Town Hall. Mr. Hood also stated that the small storage unit is available now for no charge and we need to get a key and lock.

4) Board Reports and Comments

Peggy Yonts inquired if the storage unit with Donna's stuff is still there we should not stick Mr. Surles with it.

NEW BUSINESS - CONTINUED

3) Discussion/Action Re Town Administrator Performance Review (Yonts)

Mayor Yonts stated that he is open for suggestions as to how to start the process. Comments were made by the following people regarding Town Administrator Hood's performance review:

- Dan Robino - he does an excellent job and deserves good rating
- Bonnie Allan - he is doing a great job
- Vince Wilson - three weeks after he was here he accomplished a lot
- Council Member Bryan - hard to find weaknesses but he needs to slow down
- Council Member Hackford - thanked him for always being available to talk to, he has a lot of knowledge

- Council Member DeMott - reiterated all the above; he has an administrative balance, professionalism, down to earth and can talk to you about anything
- Council Member Faden - reiterated all the above; hopes to have him around a long time
- Vice Mayor Mahaney - would like to make sure he stays another year
- Council Member Kolar - he is what the town needs; government to help people is personified by him
- Mayor Yonts - he took on the budget spending which was done in the wrong direction stopped spending and saved the town a tremendous amount of money; appreciates the difference he has made; when Town Clerk Krueger came in it improved dramatically and when he came it was even more

Town Administrator Hood thanked Council for their support and that of the Planning and Zoning Board and Code Enforcement Board. It has been enjoyable to work for a great town. He also thanked the volunteer road crew, his wife and the great staff team. Motions by Council Member Faden, second by Council Member Kolar, and vote unanimous to certify the 4.461 rating and classify his rating as excellent. Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Vice Mayor Mahaney, and vote unanimous to approve a 6% raise. Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Vice Mayor Mahaney, and vote unanimous to approve a one-time \$500.00 bonus.

ADJOURN

Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Vice Mayor Mahaney, and vote unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

(signature on file)

ATTEST:

Del Yonts, Mayor

(signature on file)

Susanne Krueger, Town Clerk