

MEETING MINUTES FOR THE
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.
GRANT COMMUNITY CENTER
4580 1ST STREET, GRANT VALKARIA, FL 32949

The Regular Town Council Meeting of January 27, 2010 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Yonts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, 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, Vice Mayor	Town Attorney Karl Bohne
Seat No. 3 – Pat Bryan	Assistant Town Attorney Erin Harrigan
Seat No. 4 – Jason Mahaney	
Seat No. 5 – Dan Faden	

(For the record, at 7:03 p.m. Council Member DeMott arrived.)

PRESENTATION

1) Joan Needleman Regarding Presentation Of Plaque To Town Council - Joan Needleman thanked the Town Council for all the toys that were donated to Kids 4 Brevard and presented Town Council an award in appreciation of all their support. She stated that it helped 209 children in the Barefoot Bay, Grant and Valkaria area.

It was Council consensus to skip over the next two presentations (Kim Frodge regarding possible location of a children’s home in the town and Rose Serrano regarding 2010 Census) until they arrive.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Mayor Yonts requested moving “Discussion/Action Regarding Resolution No. 01-2010 - A Resolution Of The Town Of Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County; Approving An Application For A Special Event Permit For “Air Fest” At 2865 Greenbrooke Street Submitted By Valkaria Aviation Association Inc; Imposing Conditions; Providing For Severability, Repeal And An Effective Date” and “Discussion/Action Regarding Resolution No. 02-2010 - A Resolution Of The Town Of Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County; Approving An Application For A Special Event Permit For The Grant Seafood Festival At 4580 1st Street Submitted By The Grant Community Club, Inc.; Imposing Conditions; Providing For Severability, Repeal And An Effective Date” to the top of “New Business”. It was Council consensus to agree with this change.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There were no minutes available for approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (non- agenda items)

Mr. Vince Wilson thanked everyone for the messages of condolences regarding the death of his son.

PRESENTATION (continued)

- 2) Rose Serrano regarding 2010 Census - Ms. Serrano stated that the United States Census Bureau is looking for about 20 to 25 people in Grant area to work for them at \$13.75 per hour. Applicants must be 18 years old, have a vehicle, a second language is a plus, and employment lasts through August. She stated that they will be conducting tests at the South Mainland Library and for people to call the 1-800 phone numbers on the brochure for specific dates and times. She stated that they will have someone at the Grant Seafood Festival to help completing the forms or if someone has questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Discussion/Action Regarding Resolution No. 01-2010 - A Resolution Of The Town Of Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County; Approving An Application For A Special Event Permit For "Air Fest" At 2865 Greenbrooke Street Submitted By Valkaria Aviation Association Inc; Imposing Conditions; Providing For Severability, Repeal And An Effective Date. (Hood). The Town will only be addressing parking and traffic safety issues at the special event.

Mayor Yonts read Resolution No. 01-2010 by title only. Town Administrator Hood stated that staff utilized the resolution from last year pulling out everything within the airport complex that we have no jurisdiction on. Mr. LeRoy Rotgers was handed a hold harmless and release indemnity form to return to Town. It was Council consensus to have applicant provide hold harmless agreement, have lights at intersection, have Sheriff's Department or Citizen on Patrol (COPs) at intersection at all times, and have Sheriff's Department at intersection at evenings. Mr. LeRoy Rotgers agreed to the lights at the intersection, and having Sheriff's Department Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) and Air Boss present. Mr. Rotgers also requested permission to install No Parking or Standing signs on the town right-of-way known as Valkaria Road and have authority to request any person who is deemed in violation of the No Parking or Standing prohibitions to immediately vacate the said area. Motions by Council Member Mahaney, second by Council Member Hackford, and vote unanimous to approve Resolution No. 01-2010 condition upon having hold harmless agreement, certificate of insurance, applicant having lights at intersection, give Mr. LeRoy Rotgers permission to install No Parking or Standing signs on the town right-of-way known as Valkaria Road and have authority to request any person who is deemed in violation of the No Parking or Standing prohibitions to immediately vacate the said area, FAA present, Air Boss present, and Sheriff's Department control traffic, and having Town Attorney provide appropriate language in the resolution to reflect conditions.

- 2) Discussion/Action Regarding Resolution No. 02-2010 - A Resolution Of The Town Of Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County; Approving An Application For A Special Event Permit For The Grant Seafood Festival At 4580 1st Street Submitted By The Grant Community Club, Inc.; Imposing Conditions; Providing For Severability, Repeal And An Effective Date.

Mayor Yonts read Resolution No. 02-2010 by title only. Council Member Hackford requested that the hours of the Seafood Festival special event permit be Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Council Member Bryan abstained from voting because his band will be paid by the Grant Community Center. Motions by Council Member Mahaney,

second by Council Member Faden, and vote unanimous to approve Resolution No. 02-2010 with the condition that the hours of the special event be changed to Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Town Attorney Bohne stated that the Attorney General's office refuses to comment on Council texting each other but Mr. Bohne recommends not texting. Town Attorney Bohne and Assistant Town Attorney Harrigan were excused at 7:40 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS (continued)

3) Discussion/Action Regarding Planning And Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency Alternate Position (Hood)

Town Administrator Hood stated that a vacancy for an alternate position was posted on the Town's website and there was only one applicant. He stated that staff had contacted all the previous applicant's and advised them to re-apply if they were interested. Motions by Council Member Mahaney, second by Council Member Hackford, and vote unanimous to appoint Mr. Al Strandgard as the Alternate Member to the Planning and Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency.

4) Discussion/Action Regarding Selection Of Town Seal (Yonts)

Mayor Yonts stated that Council previously recommended that the illustrator and the designer work together. The following data was compiled by staff as follows:

- First Favorite:
 - Concept A – submitted by Joe Mullins –10 votes
 - Concept B – submitted by Ron Winarski – 36 votes
 - Concept C – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 52 votes
 - Concept D – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 17 votes
- Second Favorite:
 - Concept A – submitted by Joe Mullins –30 votes
 - Concept B – submitted by Ron Winarski – 11 votes
 - Concept C – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 24 votes
 - Concept D – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 33 votes
- Third Favorite:
 - Concept A – submitted by Joe Mullins –36 votes
 - Concept B – submitted by Ron Winarski – 11 votes
 - Concept C – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 20 votes
 - Concept D – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 23 votes
- Fourth Favorite:
 - Concept A – submitted by Joe Mullins –20 votes
 - Concept B – submitted by Ron Winarski – 38 votes
 - Concept C – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 6 votes
 - Concept D – submitted by Carolyn Martel – 26 votes

Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Council Member Mahaney, and vote unanimous to approve Concept C as the Town Seal design. Mayor Yonts suggested a smaller plane and 2 chicks instead of one with the adult. Council Member Mahaney stated that he had received calls regarding including a horse in the seal. Dan Robino suggested having “established 2006” in bottom of circle. It was Council consensus to have “Town of Grant-Valkaria” in the top half of the outer circle and “established 2006” in the bottom half of the outer circle, 2 chicks and horse in scene, and a smaller airplane. Denni Burr and Bonnie Allan stated they liked the fish in the outer circle. Ms. Martell stated that if you add a horse to Concept C it will be too busy.

It was Council consensus to add the following to “Concept C”:

- 2 chicks rather than one with the adult
- the airplane further back into the background
- “Town of Grant-Valkaria” in top half of the outer circle and “established 2006” in the bottom half of the outer circle
- leave discretion of birds in the distant up to the illustrator
- leave discretion of galloping horse or fish on both sides of outer circle up to the illustrator
- have boat as fishing boat
- leave coloring up to artist
- leave discretion up to staff whether an illustrator is needed

REPORTS

1) Town Administrator’s Report

Town Administrator Hood gave his report as follows:

- A) House Bill – He was in contact with State Representative Ralph Poppell who is sponsoring the local bill in the House for us. Representative Poppell reports that the bill is moving through the bill writing department and moving forward and that he has gathered additional information from Mr. Hood regarding the need and intent of the bill so he could represent us better. The bill was advertised on Thursday, January 14, 2010 in the Florida Today as required by law. As he gets more information and we get closer to the legislative session, he will continue to inform Council of the status.
- B) Mowing contract – Our contract with John Conlon for mowing has expired. As directed at the last Council meeting we will be moving forward with bidding this service out to area vendors. He hopes to have the advertisement for bids in the newspaper in the next couple of weeks. Mr. Conlon expressed regrets that he would not be rebidding for this contract.
- C) Town Hall – The Council Chambers is nearing completion and should be ready for our next Council meeting on February 10, 2010. He would like to see if the Council is interested in having an open house in conjunction with the meeting. We could have an open house prior to the start of the meeting or move the meeting back to start at a later time. Mr. Hood also mentioned having a volunteer appreciation night for all the volunteers of the various boards, citizen volunteers, and COPs. It was Council consensus to have a volunteer appreciation night at Town Hall with a cook-out. It was Council consensus to have a ribbon cutting starting at 6:00 p.m. and if someone wants to bring in anything to contact Town Hall.

- D) Comprehensive Plan – He has been in contact with Chris Keller of Miller Legg regarding the final comprehensive plan. They have completed the changes and will be submitting the final version sometime this week. The only thing remaining last week was the final formatting. Once the plan has been reviewed by staff we will schedule the transmittal public hearings.
- E) Miscellaneous – He stated that he needed clarification from Council regarding whether to proceed with a proclamation request from ABATE motorcycle club. It was Council consensus to go forward with the proclamation only as an agenda item.

Mr. Hood stated he received an email from Bob Kamm regarding the remaining \$2.1 in stimulus money where the estimates were high and the bids were low. Mr. Hood stated that the Town's share of \$6,000 is not much for a project and he suggested that the town try to join forces and implement a meaningful project in the south county. Motions by Council Member Mahaney, second by Council Member Hackford, and vote unanimous to send Town's share to County for a meaningful project in the south county.

Mr. Hood stated that he received a call requesting a letter of authority from the Town to allow him to mow the right-of-way on their dirt road with their Kubota tractor that has a dump trailer on the back. Mayor Yonts requested staff contact Town Attorney and Sheriff's Department for legality. Council Member Faden was concerned that if it is an unauthorized vehicle and the Town gives approval. Mr. Hood stated that farm equipment was allowed. It was Council consensus to verify what farm equipment is and to check with Town Attorney.

2) Council Reports and Comments

Council Member Faden inquired about "no parking" signs regarding ATV's. Town Administrator Hood responded that he had requests to no parking right-of-way in front of gates. It was Council consensus to allow these signs only if people on the street are in agreement with the signs.

Vice Mayor Kolar stated that she and Mayor Yonts attended a meeting with the Barefoot Bay committee regarding incorporation. Mayor Yonts stated that it sounded like their reason for incorporation was for more code enforcement.

Council Member Hackford stated that the lady across the street from the Grant Community Center confronted him about their sign out front. Town Administrator Hood stated that he would go out there with Council Member Hackford to view the situation.

Mayor Yonts stated that he has a pass to the next space launch and if other Council Members wish to attend with him to contact him as soon as possible. Mayor Yonts requested a workshop schedule. Town Administrator Hood responded that he will have some sort of schedule at the next meeting and that some of the items may be placed together on one workshop night. Mayor Yonts stated that on February 17th the Brevard County Sheriff's Department will have their

awards ceremony, Town Clerk Krueger will email the information out to Council, and if they wish to attend they will need to let the town clerk know.

3) Board Reports and Comments

Bonnie Allen stated that the COPs can be there in uniform to help residents and help direct parking at the next meeting.

ADJOURN

Motions by Council Member Bryan, second by Council Member Hackford, and vote unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

(signature on file)

Del Yonts, Mayor

ATTEST:

(signature on file)

Susanne R. Krueger, Town Clerk