

**TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.
TOWN HALL BUILDING, 4240 HIGHWAY US1, GRANT VALKARIA, FL 32949**

The Regular Town Council Meeting of May 26, 2010 was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Yonts, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member DeMott, 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	
Seat No. 3 – Pat Bryan	
Seat No. 4 – Jason Mahaney	
Seat No. 5 – Dan Faden	
Seat No. 6 – Cathy DeMott	

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Vice Mayor Kolar requested adding discussion of publishing of pictures on town website and discussion of City of Palm Bay comprehensive plan.

PUBLIC HEARING - REZONING NO. 2010-01/ORDINANCE NO. 2010-01 - FIRST READING (Council Action)

An Ordinance Of The Town Of Grant-Valkaria, Brevard County, Florida; Rezoning Property As Follows: Parcel ID 29-38-27-00-00513.0-00000.00; From Brevard County AU (Agricultural Residential) To Brevard County RU1-13 (Single-Family Residential); Providing For Amendment Of The Official Zoning Map; Providing An Effective Date (Rezoning No. Z-2010-01).

Applicant: David Driscoll

Reason for Request: to meet zoning requirement for a single family residence

Existing zoning classification: Agricultural residential, AU

Proposed zoning classification: Single-family residential, RU-1-13

Size of specific area covered by application: .75 acres

Parcel ID: 29-38-27-00-00513.0-00000.00

Complete legal description of the property is available at Town Hall

Mayor Yonts read Ordinance No. 2010-01 by title only, and stated for the record that legal advertisement was published in Florida Today newspaper on April 8, 2010. Town Administrator Hood stated that Mr. Driscoll purchased the northern $\frac{3}{4}$ acre, is requesting a zoning that is compatible with surrounding zones, is consistent with what is there, and will meet comprehensive plan land use. Mr. Hood stated that the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously recommended approval. Mayor Yonts opened the public hearing; no one spoke; therefore, Mayor Yonts closed the public hearing. Motions by Council Member Hackford, second by Council Member Faden, and vote unanimous to approve Ordinance No. 2010-01, first reading.

CONSENT AGENDA

There were no consent agenda items.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (non- agenda items)

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Discussion/Action Re: Request by South Brevard Seventh-Day Adventist Church to obtain Town approval to have City of Palm Bay water installed on their property located at 8465 Babcock Street SE

Town Administrator Hood explained that the City of Palm Bay cannot service within our town without a letter from the town; specific language in the comprehensive plan addresses this area; request is valid and is consistent with what is being proposed in the comprehensive plan. Council Member Bryan stated he had no problem with the request; however, he would like it conditional that it would not extend any further back and that the town does not get stuck with maintenance issues. Council Member Faden stated he would like it conditional upon that there is no liability to the town, it would be a single service to the church, and it cannot extend beyond in the letter. Vice Mayor Kolar stated that in the comprehensive plan it states that no more than 2 lots back are allowed for water and sewer from City of Palm Bay along Babcock Street. Town Administrator Hood stated that City of Palm Bay cannot extend lines in town without the town authorization either by interlocal agreement or individual case by case basis; Florida state statute states that you cannot be forced to connect to municipal approved water systems. Motions by Council Member Mahaney, second by Council Member Bryan, and vote unanimous to approve South Brevard Seventh-Day Adventist Church located at 8465 Babcock Street SE to obtain City of Palm Bay water.

- 2) Discussion/Action Re: First Street Church property for new Town Hall location

Mr. Hood explained that there are several options for a new Town Hall. Mr. Hood stated he was contacted by County Park and Recreation; they talked to Commissioner Infantini's office to donate Alfred Park to the town; when it was given to the County it was conditional that it be used as public purposes; he requested permission to ask for land for public purpose. It was Council consensus to allow Mr. Hood to ask for the land. Town Administrator Hood explained that the County Commission is off during June and July but after that we should receive a response. The first option regarding a new Town Hall would be to take the donated land and build a new Town Hall at the park location.

The other option involved the church site on First Street. Town Administrator Hood stated that the price for the church has dropped and that the town can financially afford purchasing the property; however, there are some pros and cons. He stated that they are asking for best offer over \$130,000. Town Administrator Hood further explained that the church site originally was a house and a church; there was an addition to connect the two buildings which was approved and permitted; on same plan there was a concrete sidewalk to the church door and no other concrete on the site; septic is in rear of church possibly under the concrete; suggested that if the town made an offer that it be contingent on all types of inspections like health, termite, electrical, etc.; existing land use is RES 4 units per acre; town hall can be located in GML, and BU1A zonings but BU1A

is only allowed in RES 4 as a transitional area, this reduces the allowable zoning down to GML which means that any offer should be contingent on rezoning the property; any offer the Council decides to make he will be utilizing Nadine of Our Town Realty. Mr. Hood stated that there are several scenarios that the Council could look at regarding utilizing the church from remodeling the existing buildings to tearing down the house portion and rebuilding.

The following statements were made:

- Tom Sammon - there is a lot of work that the building needs; if \$130,000 offer made and there is \$50,000 to \$70,000 to renovate, wouldn't it be better to build at the park to our needs rather than renovate old building
- Dan Robino - need to check attic to see what is there; septic needs to be checked; great meeting place for town hall
- Dean Atkins - inquired about if there is a loan against the building
- Homer King - church is a good location but no room for growth; at Alfred Park we can build
- Allen Webb - the more people that inspect the building they price goes up; building needs to be looked at by staff and a few select people to bring back to Council
- Keith Tuten - Council needs a meeting place; if eliminate old house then can meet parking requirements
- Don Whitehouse - Council can have meetings place at church, tear down the house and have staff at Alfred Park

It was Council consensus to have Tom Sammon, Dan Robino and Mr. Hood make an inspection of the property along with Council Members and bring back the results at the next meeting and to make an offer contingent upon satisfactory inspections.

Town Administrator Hood stated that Governor Christ signed House Bill 1231 which enables us to receive state shared revenues again.

3) Discussion of publishing of pictures on town website

Vice Mayor Kolar stated that she had spoken with Town Attorney Bohne regarding publishing pictures on town website and he stated he would look into it. Mr. Bohne explained that in a public event there is an expectation that adult pictures and even adult pictures with a child are okay; she suggested that she can email a link to Town Clerk to send out to email list. Council did not make a determination on this topic.

4) Discussion of City of Palm Bay comprehensive plan.

Vice Mayor Kolar stated that she attend the City of Palm Bay Council meeting where they discussed 6 amendments to the comprehensive plan to create Micco Village District; the applicant stated that they would take care of flooding problems and they are going to be restricted to building out 20% until other roads are put in; she inquired if Council should send a letter to the County, Department of Community Affairs and City of Palm Bay again. It was Council consensus to send letters to the County, Department of Community Affairs, and City of Palm Bay

regarding the impact on the roads, water, waste and wildlife corridor; however, Council needs to gather more information and send to Town Administrator Hood.

REPORTS

1) Town Administrator's Report

- A) Corey Road - gas main damage is repaired
- B) Business Tax Receipts - input from Council requested 3 weeks ago; only received 2 responses. It was Council consensus that there were no further input and for him to proceed.
- C) Buggy ride - yesterday Council Member Hackford, Kurt Nelson and himself went on a buggy ride to view the result of gating of roads in town; gating the roads and the efforts of "Team Grant Restoration" has made a remarkable change in the area; vegetation is growing back; people are staying on fixed trails; less traffic and trash; if Council wishes a ride to observe the restoration to contact Mr. Hood.

2) Council Reports and Comments

Vice Mayor Kolar stated she attended the bicycle race for a few hours and noticed that the town should have closed Old Dixie Highway going south from Grant Road; informed Council there will be a meeting of the County Commission on Thursday, May 27th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss comprehensive plan amendment eliminating density restrictions on the St. John's River floodplain.; Grant-Valkaria Day had a great turnout and need to place on agenda to set a date for next year. Council Member Kolar stated that she would be on vacation and not be able to attend meetings on June 16, 23 and 30th.

Council Member Mahaney requested the official date that Christiansen Landing boat ramp will open so Council can be notified. Town Administrator Hood stated that he will send Council the date which will probably be at the end of August.

3) Board Reports and Comments

There were no Board reports or comments.

ADJOURN

Motions by Council Member Bryan, second by Council Member Hackford, and vote unanimous to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

(signature on file)

Del Yonts, Mayor

ATTEST:

(signature on file)

Susanne R. Krueger, Town Clerk