

TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
DECEMBER 15, 2015
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Grant, Vice Mayor Angela Thomas, Councilman Cole, Councilman Daniels, and Councilman Theo Washington.

STAFF: Attorney Joseph Morrell, Abu Canady, Public Works Director, Rod Bargaineer, Recreation Director, Sherron Fort, Special Assistant to the Mayor, Joseph Jenkins, Deputy, Roger Dixon, Chief Administrative Officer, Katrina Gibson, Finance Director, and Cathlene Williams; Town Clerk.

I. CALL TO ORDER & VERIFICATION OF QUORUM- Mayor Grant called the Council Meeting to order at 7:55 p.m., Pastor Critton led the Prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation by Evan MacClellan with the Florida League of Cities, regarding Town's Personnel Manual. (WORKSHOP ONLY).

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY

V. PUBLIC HEARING

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of November 17, 2015 Town Council Minutes.

B. Approval of Proclamation recognizing March, 2016 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

C. Approval of November 17, 2015 Town Council Minutes.

D. Approval of new mail machine for Town Hall.

E. Approval of new copier/network printer for Town Hall.

F. Approval for disposal of outdated/damaged assets.

G. Purchase and Sale Agreement for Commercial Land, Resolution #2015-28.

H. Approval for Request for Qualifications for Developer's to develop the Hungerford School Board Property.

I. Approval of Agreement between the Town of Eatonville & P.E.C., Zora Neale Hurston Festival. TABLED.

J. Approval of Resolution regarding Sale of a portion of the Hungerford Trust Property, Host Dime Parcel.

K. Consideration of approval for payment to the City of Maitland in the amount of \$41,022.77. MOVED TO COUNCIL DECISION.

Attorney Morrell made note that Resolution #2015-28 is the Resolution being presented to Town Council for approval regarding Purchase and Sale Agreement for Commercial Land.

Motion by Councilman Cole, motion seconded by Vice Mayor Thomas to approve the Consent Agenda, with item **(K)** being moved to Council Decision. **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

VII. COUNCIL DECISION

K. Consideration of approval for payment to the City of Maitland in the amount of \$41,022.77. Councilman Cole asked Mayor Grant is it possible for Mayor Grant our staff and the Attorney to have a meeting before this is discussed publicly. There are many inner relationships with them that are bigger than this, regardless of their opinion. After the meeting to bring back your recommendation on this matter. Mayor Grant replied that the Town has an exceptional working relationship with them, and will continue to do so; however, last night Maitland took action that is cause for response. I think it is appropriate for my Council to consider their request. Councilman Cole indicated that it would be better for the Town if we could walk through this to keep peace. Mayor Grant indicated that he will be asking for a meeting with the Maitland Officials, and the Mayor; Mr. Dixon requested a meeting with the City Manager, but he declined. I have provided you with a draft of the letter from Maitland that they approved. Mayor Grant read his response to the letter from Maitland. Their legislative body voted to send Eatonville a bill; I think it is only fair that this Council vote to say the Town did not create this bill, so therefore the Town will not pay this bill, and to send this letter to Maitland. Attorney Morrell stated that it is proper protocol. No further discussion. **Motion by Councilman Daniels, motion seconded by Vice Mayor Thomas, authorizing Mayor Grant to send a letter to Mayor McDonald of the City of Maitland declining payment in the amount of \$41,022.77. AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

VIII. STAFF REPORT

IX. ADMINISTRATIVE/COUNCIL/ATTORNEY REPORT

Councilman Cole- in regards to Host Dime, is there a Real Estate fee; and if so is someone working on that or has received a payment? Mayor Grant responded no one has been hired.

Councilman Washington- NO REPORT

Councilman Daniels- the letter was disappointing, and the Media's reaction, and I support that we stick together; the media should know the whole circumstances. We made this possible for our residents, while keeping the surrounding cities safe, after Maitland and other law enforcement backed out to support us. Councilman Daniels asked of the status of copywriting our Town's Logo and name.

Vice Mayor Thomas- In regards to the Zora Contract, I had no input in it, therefore, I will schedule a meeting with Chad and Attorney Morrell to come to a resolution. The amount that was paid was not what was agreed upon, this will be resolved before it comes back to Council. On January 6th, at Denton Johnson Center, from 6-8 PM; Senator Thomas will be here for a Town Hall meeting for a briefing on how she can help Eatonville. The status of the Charter; Mayor Grant replied a Resolution will be on the next Council Agenda.

Attorney Morrell- NO REPORT


ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

NONE

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION-

No Audience participation

X. ADJOURNMENT- Council Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.


Respectfully Submitted by:
Cathlene Williams, Town Clerk