

TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES
APRIL 19, 2016
7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Vice Mayor Angela Thomas, Councilmen; Eddie Cole, Rodney Daniels, and Theo Washington.

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

- I. CALL TO ORDER & VERIFICATION OF QUORUM-** Vice Mayor Thomas called the Council Meeting to order at 7:40 PM., a quorum is established.
- II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** Pastor Critton, led the Prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Vice Mayor Thomas opened the meeting to **Citizen Participation**.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION-

- **Maye St. Julien-** In regards to the Water Conservation Ordinance, the citizens should have been given advanced notice of this, notice should have been sent out in the water bills.
- **Anthony Felder-** Introduced the L3 Group of students to Council and citizens. All of the kids in this program are residents of Eatonville; this program has been around for many years.

III. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Approval of the first reading of Ordinance #2016-2, Implementation of the Water Conservation Rule for Landscape Irrigation of the St. Johns River Water Management District. (Administration).** Motion by Vice Mayor Thomas to approve the first reading of Ordinance #2016-2, the motion was seconded by Councilman Washington; **AYE:** Vice Mayor Thomas, Councilman Daniels, and Councilman Washington; **NAYE:** Councilman Cole. **MOTION PASSES.**

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY

VI. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of April 5, 2016 Town Council Minutes.**
- B. Approval of Proclamation establishing the Special Election Date.**
- C. Approval of Olde Florida Construction LLC to conduct repairs and exterior cleaning on ground water storage tank located at 21 Mosley Street.**
- D. Approval of Rite Angle Plumbing Services LLC to conduct the procedures of a wet tap for the new construction of the two (2) new single family dwellings at 108 & 112 Elizabeth Street. MOVED TO COUNCIL DECISION.**
- E. Approval of contract to extend the outside closing date to May 31, 2016 for Host Dime.**
- F. Approval of Resolution #2016-12, appointing Eddis Dexter to the Police Pension Board, to replace William Billy.**
- G. Approval of Orlando Caribbean Carnival on June 25, 2016.**
- H. Approval of Check Register and Detailed budget report the month of March, 2016.**

Motion by Councilman Daniels, the motion was seconded by Councilman Cole to approve the Consent Agenda, with item, (D) being moved to Council Decision; AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.

VIII. COUNCIL DECISION

- D. Approval of Rite Angle Plumbing Services, LLC to conduct the procedure of a wet tap for the new construction of the two (2) new single family dwellings at 108 & 112 Elizabeth Street. Motion by Councilman Washington, the motion was seconded by Councilman Daniels; AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

IX. STAFF REPORT

X. ADMINISTRATIVE/COUNCIL/ATTORNEY REPORT-

Councilman Cole- young people that came out tonight, the young man will be attending Morehouse College, good to see how the organization has grown; hope this will be a learning experience. Boys & Girls Club, trip to Key Stone conference, they didn't make the trip, \$5,000 out there, how are we going to recoup our money; the letter not responded to in a timely manner, the Special Assistant to the Mayor to draft a letter, not Vice Mayor, hopefully we can get the letter out soon. When will the tax credit to the residents start? Ms. Gibson indicated that we are receiving applications, IMS has set a new account for this, should be on next month water bills. The Special Session meeting scheduled for April 11, 2016 was cancelled, I had requested three (3) things be added to the Agenda; legislatively what is our role? Vice Mayor Thomas explained that Caribbean Festival changed their date, so no need for the meeting. I sent an email out

just as an FYI on the bid process for property of land development, Council didn't send any feedback, I did receive a response from Mr. Dixon- knowledge of bid tampering, the email was sent out-side of Town Hall, I received a call but did not answer, from Mayor Grant. From this day forward, we need to start following our policy and procedures, staff and Council. The utilities at the school, been asking for two (2) months. Mr. Dixon explained that he received a text from Dr. Jenkins that the Town will pay half, we have not received the cost. Councilman Cole asked if we have \$35,000 in the budget; where is it allocated, or do we need to put in more money. Councilman Cole stated that department heads need to look at their job descriptions, it says Mayor and Council, I will exercise my vote to my conviction, follow policy and procedures look at procurement. I will not be running for Mayor's seat, so those who want to run, can run, I am good right here, I am able to see much more from where I am at now, that would mean that I would have to get off of Council, I am enjoying myself right now.

Councilman Washington- NO REPORT

Councilman Daniels- Thank L3- the young man that presented the group is my neighbor, received a text of break-in's around the Town, residents need to be on the watch, Boys & Girls Club. Mr. Dixon, get Tom Kohler duties on the Council, would like to be Mayor one day, don't want to sound egotistical, the Town if moving forward, that's what I care about. In regards to Section 12, of the Town Charter, and Resolution #2012-28, have something on the Agenda, denied by the Mayor or designee, I was offended, no matter what it is let's be transparent. Sections, 12 of the Charter, annual appointment of Vice Mayor, is the process done right or are we status quo; Attorney Morrell explained that this language was in the Charter in 1998 when elections were done every year; my opinion is that the Vice Mayor stays in her position as Vice Mayor. Councilman Daniels stated that as long as the process is done right, not worth the fight. Attorney Morrell recommended to Council that they can amend Resolution #2012-28, to make it mandatory that items from Council are put on the Agenda. Attorney Morrell will prepare the Resolution for the next Council meeting. Councilman Cole asked about the Vice Chair of the CRA Board, that this person would have to be a member of the Town Council; Attorney Jackson stated that he would discuss that with Attorney Morrell.

Attorney Morrell- PEC lawsuit has been dismissed.

Vice Mayor Thomas- young man is going to Morehouse College; the Town has not used the scholarship money in two (2) years, we need to appoint someone to chair that. In regards to the Boys & Girls Club, a letter will be mailed out by the end of the week. The RFQ's on housing status of this; emails will be answered promptly if not available to get information, will give estimate time when it will be completed; the Agenda items are approved by the Vice Mayor, didn't see the email regarding Agenda item requests. I only ask that these three (3) gentlemen and myself, we do what's right for the Town of Eatonville, that was my Oath, to do what's best for this Town, I will work with you, and never against you, we may not always agree with each other, we only have one Agenda, and that is for the good of the Town of Eatonville.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION-

ADJOURNMENT- Council Meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by



Cathlene Williams, Town Clerk