

**TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
MAY 17, 2016  
REGULAR MEETING  
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, Rod Bargaineer, Recreation Director, Joseph Jenkins, Deputy, Sherron Fort, Special Assistant, Katrina Gibson, Finance Director, and Cathlene Williams; Town Clerk.

**I. CALL TO ORDER & VERIFICATION OF QUORUM**

**II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** Pastor Critton led the Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Eddie Cole introduced himself as the Interim Mayor for the Town of Eatonville. A local television station came in today to speak with me regarding a Developer that wants to be a part of the development in the Town, they were given forms, and phone calls challenging my character, I am fine with that. We are blessed to have an organization that has been in our community for years, since 1991, EKO. We saw the kids came here the other day, G3; every kids out reach. Some decided to say that I have a relationship with one of the Developers to change the vote, which we haven't had a vote on. Everyone up here has had a kid to go to my camp, I have raised over \$1.4 million dollars in my 30 years, I went to school to be a Grants Writer, every time we go to camp we have a bill of \$23,000; for 200-300 hundred kids. One of the developers had a bowling event to raise money to help our kids go to camp; someone has taken this to say I received money from this, the organization is non-profit organization. When we decided to have the bowling tournament, it was July, 2014, I was off the board, defeated by Vice Mayor Thomas, in March, 2014. I raise the money for our kids to go to camp, they don't do bake sales, car washes or nothing.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION-**

**III. AWARDS & PRESENTATIONS**

**IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY**

**V. PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. Approval of the second and final reading of Ordinance #2016-4, amending current water & sewer connection and services fees. (Public Works).** AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE #89-117, AND 97-01, WATER AND SEWER RATE CHANGES AND CONNECTION AND SERVICE FEES FOR THE TOWN'S UTILITIES SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Maye St. Julien-** will the water rates be increased; yes they will as stated by Interim Mayor Cole. No further Public Comment. Motion by Vice Mayor Thomas, the motion was seconded by Councilman Washington; **AYE; ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

**PUBLIC PERIOD-**

**Jeffrey Wooden-** there is a lot of work to do in the Town of Eatonville, I believe you all are going in the right direction with this Town Council.

**Sue Paige Brown- 540 Berthann Lane-** in reference to the dress code, can it be just casual business, what looks good on one person, doesn't look good on the other; sandals are sandals, in Florida it is hot; as far as clothing, things have changed. The ear piece, the front desk, and no they shouldn't have it in their ear taking care of business. In regards to the Vice Mayor, do we not have one now; how does that work. On the Mayors' salary you get what you pay for, they need to make more than the Council.

**VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of the May 3, 2016 Town Council Minutes. (Clerk's Office).**
- B. Approval of the May 10, 2016 Special Session Minutes. (Clerk's).**
- C. Approval of Personnel Policy Amendments, Section 1100.00. (Administration).**
- D. Approval of the detailed budget and check register for the month of April, 2016. (Finance Office).**
- E. Approval of Resolution #2016-14, appointment of Vice Mayor. (Interim Mayor's office). MOVED TO COUNCIL DECISION.**
- F. Approval of Resolution #2016-15, budget amendment to reduce the Mayor's salary. (Interim Mayor's office). MOVED TO COUNCIL DECISION.**
- G. Approval of Resolution #2016-16, appointment of Robert L. Davidson to the Planning & Zoning Board. (Interim Mayors' office).**
- H. Approval of amendment to Resolution #2016-13, establishing a canvassing board for the June 18, 2016 Special Election. (Adding Derrick Dunn.**

Motion by Councilman Washington, the motion was seconded by Councilman Daniels to approve the Consent Agenda with item(s) E & F being moved to Council Decision, and noted changes to item (C) personnel policy; the knee length of skirts, and listening devices in the ear. **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

## **VII. COUNCIL DECISION**

**E. Approval of Resolution #2016-14, appointment of Vice Mayor.** Vice Mayor Thomas stated that with the position of Vice Mayor, there has never been an annual re-appointment on this since 2006. Interim Mayor Cole, was appointed by Mayor Mount in 2011 & 2012, or 2013, he wanted to appoint Councilman Alvin Moore, but he declined, this Council then said Councilman Cole can stay as Vice Mayor. It was moved by Interim Mayor Cole, to appoint Rodney Daniels as Vice Mayor until the next regular election, motion by Councilman Washington, the motion was moved by Councilman Daniels; **AYE: Councilman Washington, Councilman Daniels, and Interim Mayor Cole; NAYE: Vice Mayor Thomas, MOTION PASSES.**

**F. Approval of Resolution #2016-15, budget amendment to reduce the Mayor's Salary.** The money that will be reduced from the Mayor's salary will go to the senior's activity fund line, there is zero dollars in this budget line, **\$2,908.00** will go to his line item. Vice Mayor Thomas stated that in reducing the Mayor's salary, it can stay the way that it is, there is still money in the budget for senior programs, this salary is always being reduced, but not Council's salary, it has been suggested several times to reduce the Council salary. Councilman Daniels stated that the Mayor was always the one asking to bump up the salary, other surrounding municipalities, the Mayors salary is less than \$10,000; I thought \$15,500 was in the middle, I do have a problem with the interim Mayor wanting to reduce the salary, if a new Mayor comes, they may want to bring the salary back to the \$15,500, where will that money come from, they will be crazy to pull that money from the seniors. Motion by Councilman Washington, the motion was seconded by Councilman Daniels; **AYE: Interim Mayor Cole, Councilman Washington, and Councilman Daniels; NAYE: Vice Mayor Thomas; AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

## **STAFF REPORT**

### **VIII. ADMINISTRATIVE/COUNCIL/ATTORNEY REPORT**

**WASHINGTON-** Winnie Mount scholarship fund; have we started on this, graduations going on in the next weeks. Interim Mayor Cole indicated this information will be forthcoming to Council.

**DANIELS-** asked to get the timer working, for citizens to have the floor; agree with Ms. Paige. The presentation by Ne Ne's was excellent.

**THOMAS-** NO REPORT

**COLE-** Scholarship Program, Ms. Fort is working on this, we found the application, we will have this, we went to Edgewater High School, and also the Boys and Girls Club, and all the different non-profits, we will be sending them applications, the turn date is May 31, 2016, hopefully we will have funding ready for kids at the first Council meeting in June, 2016, if any one needs a

copy they can come to Town Hall for an application. In regards to bills for the Town, there are some that paid and unpaid, I asked our Finance Director to give me a total on this, it is \$38,380.20 with an outstanding invoice of \$23,996.80, this is important for us to know, we don't want to work out of compliance, I am not going to keep you from anything that is going on, we have another bill of about \$1,600.00, for review of our Charter, I will bring this back at our next meeting, so we can clean up those things. I ask humbly of Councilwoman Thomas if opportunity present itself, if there is information on Host. Dime to bring me up to breast on it.

**Attorney Morrell-** The Zika virus, Rollins College is having a seminar this week to educate the public on this. The Governor has gone to DC to discuss this issue.

**Mr. Dixon-** the Development Agreement with Host. Dime, they have to close on May 31, 2016, in communication with the Attorneys and Host. Dime, Council needs to meet individually regarding the Agreement, and to have a special meeting on May 23, 2016 to approve the Development Agreement. We also had the RFQ, eight companies, submitted bids; one company submitted only for the Kennedy piece, we need to start having workshops to go over the RFP, on what the Developer would develop. Vice Mayor Thomas asked is there a time specific for the RFP to be ready. Mr. Dixon indicated it will need to be ready soon.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Town Council Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

**Respectfully Submitted by**



**Cathlene Williams, Town Clerk**