

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA HELD AT TOWN HALL ON JULY 15, 2014 AT 6:30 PM

PRESENT: Mayor Gary Katica
Commissioners
Ottinger
Stephen Fowler
Tom Shelly
Michael Wilkinson
Kevin Piccarreto

Town Manager Micah Maxwell
Town Attorney David

Mayor Katica led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM with Mayor Katica presiding; quorum was present on roll call.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS

REQUEST FOR VARIANCE – 303 SUNNY LANE, DR. MOHAMMED YAMANI

Mr. Maxwell stated that the applicant, Dr. Mohammed Yamani, was not in attendance at the Planning and Zoning Board meeting held on July 7; that the Planning and Zoning Board was recommending a continuance of the variance request to come before the Board at their next meeting.

Commissioner Shelly moved that consideration of the request for variance by Dr. Yamani for property located at 303 Sunny Lane be continued. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson and carried unanimously.

SWEARING IN OF OFFICER JOHN DRAPIEWSKI

Mayor Katica performed the swearing of Officer John Drapiewski as a new part time officer for the Police Department.

Chief Edwards provided a brief introduction for Officer Drapiewski.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Jim Betts, 220 Belleview Blvd., commented on the importance of the preservation of the Belleview Biltmore Hotel; commented on possible revenues to the town upon the restoration of the hotel.

Neal Palenzuela, asked about the status of the land agreement for the Belleview Biltmore Golf Course.

Mr. Ottinger provided a response to the inquiry.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Katica announced the following items on the Consent Agenda for consideration and approval.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

1. Approval of Minutes - Special Meeting –June 3, 2014
Work Session – June 3, 2014
Regular Meeting – June 17, 2014

Commissioner Shelly moved the approval of the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded by Commissioner Fowler and carried unanimously.

DISPOSAL OF FIXED ASSETS

Micah Badana, Management Analyst, provide a review of the capital asset items to be considered for disposal; stated that the items had exceeded their depreciable life cycle; that the items would be auctioned on Govdeals.com.

Commissioner Wilkinson moved to dispose of the capital assets scheduled for disposal. Motion seconded by Commissioner Fowler and carried unanimously.

GENERAL AGENDA

APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY MAXIMUM MILEAGE

Mr. Murphy stated that staff would be requesting that the commission select and approve a maximum preliminary millage rate as required by TRIM.

Micah Badana provided a review of the preliminary unbalanced budget on first draft for fiscal year 2014-2015; stated that property values for last year came in at 95% and this year were expecting a 4.37% increase over last year; that current millage rate was 6.0257mils and the current rolled back rate was 5.7733; that the maximum millage calculation on the prior year maximum millage of 6.6068 and an adjusted current rolled back rate at 6.3300.

Mr. Murphy provided an explanation of the calculations in determining the millage rate; stated that the finance board recommended a millage rate of 6.0257 mils.

Mr. Badana provided highlights of the general fund revenues; provided an explanation of proposed increases for expenditures and proposed general fund revenues; provided an explanation of proposed budget for general fund departments; stated that the finance board recommended that an adjustment be made to allow a COLA at 1.5% which was \$39,100 to the general fund but overall was approximately \$59,000.

Discussions ensued regarding additional fees to town attorney for fiscal year 2014-2015.

It was staff's recommendation that the commission maintain the current millage rate of 6.0257 mils.

Commissioner Fowler asked if the increase in insurance was due to coverage for the golf course; asked about increase in building permit fees for the next fiscal year.

APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY MAXIMUM MILEAGE (Continued)

Mr. Murphy stated that the town, as owners of the golf course, must maintain some liability coverage; explained the expectations for increased revenues in the building department budget.

Mayor Katica commented on the success of the golf course operation to date under the management of Green Golf Partners.

Sandy Hutton, 4 Belleview Blvd., asked about property taxes on the golf course property.

Mr. Murphy stated that property taxes were being paid by Green Golf Partners.

Commissioner Fowler moved that the commission approve the maximum millage preliminary rate of 6.0257 to fund the fiscal year 2014-2015 operating budget. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Murphy stated that staff was asking for a continuance on the approval of the CAFR.

Commissioner Fowler moved to continue approval of the CAFR. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-25 – AMENDING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

Mr. Badana provided a review of the proposed budget amendment for fiscal year 2014-2015; that the total amendment was \$123,329.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Resolution No. 2014-25 amending the budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 in the amount of \$123,329. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Discussion: Commissioner Piccarreto asked the total amount of the budget amendment.

Vote on the motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-25 amending the budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 was unanimous.

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-26 - CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO POLICE PENSION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mr. Maxwell stated that this was an appointment to the Police Pension Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy on the board by the death of Officer Dan Bates; that Officer Roy Olsen was selected by the officers to fill that vacancy.

Commissioner Wilkinson moved to approve Resolution No. 2014-26 confirming the appointment of Officer Roy Olsen to serve on the Police Pension Board of Trustees. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shelly and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF STREET SWEEPING AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF LARGO

Stefan Massol, Management Analyst, stated that as a result of an audit of the previous street sweeping agreement a discrepancy was discovered creating a disagreement between the town and street sweeping provider; that staff would suggest the town enter into an interlocal agreement with City of Largo to provide street sweeping services for a cost of \$14,805.12 resulting in a savings to the town in the amount of \$5,594.88.

Commissioner Wilkinson moved approval of the street sweeping interlocal agreement with City of Largo to provide street sweeping services to Belleair. Motion seconded by Commissioner Shelly and carried unanimously.

PROCLAMATION FOR FLORIDA WATER PROFESSIONALS MONTH

Mr. Murphy read Proclamation declaring the month of August, 2014 as Florida Water Professionals Month.

Commissioner Fowler moved to declare the month of August, 2014 as Florida Water Professionals Month. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson and carried unanimously.

The Proclamation was presented by the commissioners to David Brown, Supervisor for the Water Department.

PROCLAMATION FOR PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Mr. Murphy read Proclamation declaring the month of July, 2014 as Parks and Recreation Month.

Commissioner Shelly moved to declare the month of July, 2014 as Parks and Recreation Month. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson and carried unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Fowler asked for an update on the recycling program.

Mr. Murphy stated that staff could provide an update at the next meeting.

Commissioner Fowler asked the status of the roundabout .

Mr. Maxwell provided information regarding the status of the roundabout project at Indian Rocks Road.

Mr. Maxwell stated that the employee of the month in the parks and recreation department was special events coordinator Danielle Felten and the employee for the month of June was Officer Teddi Easterman for her preparation of the Junior Police Academy for the recreation department summer camp program.

OTHER BUSINESS (Continued)

Mr. Maxwell stated that David Healey and David Ottinger and he met with representatives from the Belleview Biltmore Hotel in a pre-application meeting; that they did expect the application for Special Certificate of Appropriateness, rezoning and site plan to be forthcoming; that he would expect that the commission would receive the applications sometime in October.

Mr. Ottinger provided a suggestions and recommendation that the members of the commission refrain from communicating with anyone regarding the hotel matter.

Mr. Maxwell further stated that Mr. Healey would have 15 days to review the applications once received to determine completeness of the packet of information.

Mr. Maxwell stated that he had been advised by MPO that changes to the agreement had been completed and would expect the amended agreement to be submitted for approval in August.

Mr. Ottinger commented on the status of the pending law suits regarding the hotel.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the commission the meeting was adjourned in due form at 7:30 PM.

Town Clerk

APPROVED:

Mayor