



Town of Belleair

901 Ponce de Leon Blvd.
Belleair, FL 33756

Meeting Minutes Town Commission

Tuesday, November 16, 2021

6:00 PM

Town Hall

Welcome. We are glad to have you join us. If you wish to speak, please use the “raise hand” function and wait to be recognized. If you are attending by phone, dial *9 and you will be called by the last 4 digits of your phone number. Each person will be given 3 minutes to speak, you will need to unmute yourself in order to be heard.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with Mayor Wilkinson presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMISSIONER ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Michael Wilkinson
Deputy Mayor Tom Kurey
Commissioner Tom Shelly
Commissioner Coleen Chaney
Commissioner Thomas Nessler

Mayor Wilkinson moved items 21-0339 and 21-0338 to top of agenda.

[21-0339](#) Resolution 2021-40 - Thanking Mr. David Ottinger

Mayor Wilkinson thanked Mr. Ottinger for his dedication to the Town.

Mr. Ottinger thanked staff and Commission.

Mr. Murphy read Resolution 2021-40 into record.

The Commissioners each thanked Mr. Ottinger for his service; staff provided a brief presentation.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of resolution thanking Mr. David Ottinger, Town Attorney. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurey.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

[21-0338](#) Approval of Trask Daigneault LLP for Town Attorney

Mr. Murphy stated contract provided in your packet was negotiated; asked for the commission's approval.

Mr. Daigneault spoke briefly; looking forward to working with staff and Commission.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of contract with Trask, Daigneault LLP for the provision of Town attorney services. Seconded by Commissioner Nessler.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS

Persons are advised that, if they decide to appeal any decision made at this meeting/hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

[21-0341](#) First Reading of Ordinance 540 - Proposed Charter Amendment

Mayor Wilkinson introduced item.

Mr. Murphy provided overview of what state statute states and Town Charter; to add voter action element, it would need to be done by ordinance; ordinance would then be subject to referendum process as provided in Charter; described process; HB 1 named anti- riot bill provides protections.

Mr. Daigneault-Town Attorney-provided information regarding HB 1 lawsuits and challenges regarding home rule; attempted to fill gaps in state language with this ordinance.

Karla Rettstatt-resident-spoke on importance of providing accurate information to residents.

Commissioner Shelly stated if HB 1 is found unconstitutional, we can revisit.

Mr. Murphy spoke on communicating to residents. Spoke on statutory limits.

Ms. Rettstatt requested clarification regarding if it applies to all departments; Mr. Murphy addressed.

Mr. Murphy spoke on adding service level component to comp plan amendment; option to amend purchasing ordinance to include law enforcement services contracts.

Deputy Mayor Kurey provided comments; in favor of protections and moving forward.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Ordinance No. 540 tonight on first reading as amended. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurey.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

CONSENT AGENDA

[21-0335](#) Approval of November 2, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Deputy Mayor Kurey moved approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Shelly.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

CITIZENS COMMENTS

(Discussion of items not on the agenda. Each speaker will be allowed 3 minutes to speak.)

No citizens comments.

GENERAL AGENDA

[21-0337](#)

FY 2019-20 Comprehensive and Popular Annual Financial Reports

Stefan Massol-Director of Support Services-spoke on introduction of new report; healthy general fund balance; available for questions; CAFR available as well.

Mr. Murphy thanked Mr. Massol for all of his work with the report and grant funding.

[21-0336](#)

Discussion of Setting 2022 Legislative Priorities

Mr. Murphy spoke on working with Florida League of Cities to advocate Home Rule items; approval of presented list provides staff ability to advocate items.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Resolution (agenda item) No. 21-0336 on Setting 2022 Legislative Priorities. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurey.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Rick Doyle-spoke on success of LPGA Pelican event; multiple agency coordination; few minor incidents; no parking zones expanded in some areas; looking forward to next year and ways to improve.

Deputy Mayor Kurey commended Chief Doyle and staff for coordination; lots of positive feedback; successful event.

Mayor Wilkinson also commended Officer Daniels and her coordination.

Chief Doyle spoke on prep. work leading up to event.

TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Nothing to report

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Murphy welcomed Mr. Daigneault; Rachel Hobbs taking new opportunity; RRFB's installed at Indian Rocks Road and Rosery, more to be installed throughout Town; November 30th, resident input meeting.

Mayor Wilkinson spoke on cancelling the December 21st Commission meeting; consensus.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORT/BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Chaney-Park, Recreation and Tree board didn't meet; sense of urgency in hiring in recreation; would like water update; Town Hall maintenance.

Mr. Murphy stated last correspondence to be available soon; addressed question regarding updates to Town Hall maintenance.

Commissioner Nessler-Historic Preservation board didn't meet; many residents want town tournament moved back to Belleair County Club.

Deputy Mayor Kurey- Joint Finance and Infrastructure meeting didn't happen due to not receiving report on water.

Commissioner Shelly-Commented on successful Pelican event; thanked staff and Police Department; P&Z Board met and discussed signage.

Mayor Wilkinson echoed comments of tournament success and thanked staff; Finance Board meeting in December; spoke on Rachel Hobbs.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business. Meeting adjourned in due form at 6:46 PM.

Commissioner Shelly moved to adjourn. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurey.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Kurey, Commissioner Shelly, Commissioner Chaney, and Commissioner Nessler

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR