



Town of Belleair

901 Ponce de Leon Blvd.
Belleair, FL 33756

Meeting Minutes Town Commission

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

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

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.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

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

George Harron-resident-questioned construction in Town. Mr. Murphy provided background information; areas with major drainage outfalls completed first due to drainage concerns.

Missy Hoglund-resident-questioned update on Mehlenbacher project. Mr. Murphy spoke on items sent to county; up to them to finalize.

Ms. Hoglund spoke on high volume of traffic on street; Mr. Murphy spoke on upcoming origin destination study to collect data on traffic patterns and volume; questioned ability to close off road.

Karla Rettstatt-resident and BCF representative-upcoming Dogs & Donuts and Rumble 2 events; Hunter Park benches in need of maintenance.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

[22-0035](#) Approval of February 15, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes
(approved as part of consent agenda)

[22-0031](#) Special Relief Permit for Springfest & Arbor Day Celebration
This Action Item was adopted.

GENERAL AGENDA

[22-0036](#) Confirmation of Robert "Bobby" Yevich as Director of Community Engagement
Mr. Murphy stated he is recommending Robert "Bobby" Yevich as the selection for Director of Community Engagement; seeking Commission confirmation.
Commissioners spoke favorably of confirmation.
Ms. Rettstatt spoke highly of the selection of Bobby Yevich.
Mr. Yevich was sworn in by Mayor Wilkinson.
Commissioner Shelly moved approval of the confirmation of Robert "Bobby" John Yevich as Director of Community Engagement. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Kurey.

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

[22-0039](#) Consideration of Code Amendments
Jay Daigneault-Town Attorney-spoke on out-dated code and needed revisions; upcoming senate bill and the challenges; recommends a full scale revision to be completed in advance of bill passage; will send in phases; provided a brief review of SB 280.
Mike Hugill-resident-read a statement; spoke on date of code; spoke in support of code update.
Patricia Irwin-resident-spoke in support of code update.
Missy Hoglund-resident-spoke on signage discussion at Planning and Zoning Board meeting; in support of code revision.
Ms. Irwin spoke on number of people in homes.
Deputy Mayor Kurey spoke in support of moving forward with updating code to be consistent with state and federal laws.

Commissioner Shelly in support.

Commissioner Nessler in support as well; confidant attorneys will handle.

Commissioner Chaney spoke on accountability of the out of date codes.

Mayor Wilkinson is in support as well.

Commissioner Shelly moved to authorize the review and revision of the Town Code including Chapter 74, Article 9 pertaining to signs for a total project cost not to exceed \$37,800.00. Seconded by Commissioner Nessler.

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

22-0033

Financial Management Policies - Recommended Updates

Stefan Massol-Director of Support Services-Finance Board has reviewed financial management policies; provided overview of changes; open to comments.

Deputy Mayor Kurey commented on reserves and funding. Mr. Massol provided comments.

Deputy Mayor Kurey moved approval of the update to Financial Management Policies as proposed. Seconded by Commissioner Chaney.

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

22-0037

2022-2023 Budget Calendar

Ashley Bernal-Assistant to the Town Manager-spoke on upcoming dates and proposed calendar; seeking to schedule one-on-one with commissioners to discuss priorities.

Discussion ensued regarding meeting schedule and budget hearings in September; Monday the 19th of September is final hearing date.

22-0038

Discussion of Commission Calendar

Mr. Murphy questioned summer schedule; must have one per month per charter.

Discussion regarding code update schedule; consensus of Commission to keep schedule as is.

STAFF REPORTS

Chief Doyle-spoke on different aspects of the Town code; need for enforceability; commented on vegetation in right-of-way and approach; mindful of rental code. Friday will be a brief Tackett remembrance in Tackett Park. Also addressed question regarding speed boards in RPD area, education.

Bobby Yevich-Director of Community Engagement-Sunset 5k Fun Run is this weekend; Mayor's Pickleball Tournament.

Mayor Wilkinson welcomed Mr. Yevich and his family; thanked Kevin Trapp for his work in Recreation.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Murphy spoke on intersections with visibility and site triangle issues; worked with Keith Bodeker to identify; seeking input on best approach on how to address.

Commissioner Shelly spoke on importance of addressing visibility issues for safety reasons; Mr. Murphy commented on right-of-way-maintenance, permitting process, etc.; volume of vegetation planted in row is problematic.

Commissioner Chaney questioned current process; spoke on taking action.

Commissioner Shelly spoke on addressing specific areas as safety issues first.

Mr. Murphy spoke on taking neighborly approach; how to be fair and equitable with removals.

Mayor Wilkinson questioned ability to charge; Mr. Murphy affirmed it could be done through a code enforcement process.

Mr. Murphy stated legislative funding request is in both house and senate; urged Commission to support representatives to move house proposal.

Commissioner Shelly spoke on reaching out to anyone on appropriations committee.

TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Nothing to report; commented on complexity of code, responsibility of the currency of the code is with the attorney.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORT/BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Deputy Mayor Kurey had nothing to report; questioned whether there was anything new on water; Mr. Murphy addressed.

Commissioner Shelly requested update from Mr. Murphy after meeting with county.

Commissioner Nessler stated Historic Preservation Board met, was not in attendance.

Commissioner Chaney stated PRT board didn't meet; congratulated Commissioner Nessler on birth of son; would like Mr. Murphy to speak on attrition of staff at upcoming meeting.

Mayor Wilkinson spoke on Finance Board; also would like to have attrition discussion as well.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business

ADJOURNMENT

No further business. Meeting adjourned in due form at 7:30 PM.

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

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

TOWN CLERK

MAYOR