



Town of Belleair

901 Ponce de Leon Blvd.
Belleair, FL 33756

Meeting Minutes Town Commission

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

6:00 PM

Town Hall

Second Budget Hearing

Meeting 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 Shelly
Commissioner Patricia Barris
Commissioner Thomas Kelly
Commissioner Todd Jennings

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.

[24-0191](#)

Adoption of Final Millage Rate for FY 2024-2025

Jay Daigneault-Town Attorney-read Resolution 2024-25 into record by title only.

Mayor Wilkinson stated this is the second reading, it passed last meeting.

Ms. Lancaster, spoke on revenue constraints; great transparency in budget; sufficient detail to back up changes made; need for increase due to infrastructure needs, spoke on opportunities for multiple projects.

Mayor Wilkinson stated efforts appreciated, open to public comment, spoke on procedure for comments.

Debra Marcellus-resident-commended new commissioners for their service; spoke on prior vote, urges decision to be unanimous.

No further comment.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Resolution 2024-25 adopting the millage rate of 6.9777 for the fiscal year 2024-2025 providing that 6.9777 is greater than the rollback rate of 6.0019 by 16.26 percent as required by the State Legislature. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 4 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, and Commissioner Kelly

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Jennings

[24-0192](#)

Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Town Budget

Attorney Daigneault read Resolution 2024-26 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated Amy is available to go through power point, no changes.

No citizen comments.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Resolution 2024-26 adopting the final budget for fiscal year 2024-2025 budget. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0180](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 576 Driveways and Access Points

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance No. 576 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster noted staff recommended addition of language regarding driveway flairs, read text.

No comments.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 576 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0181](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 577 50% Substantial Improvement Rule

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 577 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated language eliminates the five year restriction on the 50% improvement rule.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 577 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0182](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 578 Fences and Fence Walls

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 578 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated this adds reference of vision triangle.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 578 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0183](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 579 Visibility Triangle

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 579 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated this clarifies language and includes measurements as well as

plantings.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 579 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0184](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 580 Building Fees

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 580 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster spoke on fees not covering costs; this is in keeping with comparable municipalities.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 580 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0185](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 581 - Water Rates

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 581 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated this information has been highly publicized; there are no changes.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of Ordinance 581 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0186](#)

Second Reading of Ordinance 582 - Solid Waste Rates

Attorney Daigneault read Ordinance 582 into record by title only.

Ms. Lancaster stated it is a 5% increase to the solid waste rates.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved to recommend approval of Ordinance 582 on second and final reading. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

CITIZENS COMMENTS

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

None to be heard

CONSENT AGENDA

[24-0189](#)

Special Relief Permit Request - 2024 Silver Coffee

[24-0195](#)

Resolution 2024-27 Police Pension Board Appointments

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

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

GENERAL AGENDA

[24-0188](#)

Major Event Special Relief Permit Request - 2024 The Annika driven by Gainbridge at Pelican

Ms. Lancaster stated this is the second reading of this request; staff is recommending approval.

Mayor Wilkinson commented on emails received.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of the Major Event Special Relief Permit request for the Annika driven by Gainbridge at Pelican on second hearing. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

[24-0187](#)

Amendment to the Forward Pinellas MPO Agreement and Member Appointment

Mayor Wilkinson stated this is for two items; the first will be to approve the amendment.

Deputy Mayor Shelly moved approval of the amendment to the interlocal agreement for the creation of the Pinellas County Metropolitan Planning Organization. Seconded by Commissioner Barris.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

Mayor Wilkinson spoke on MPO board, starting in January there will be a representative from this board, 3 year commitment.

Commissioner Jennings would like to serve; spoke on purpose of board; spoke on PSTA and events in St Pete Beach; free fares repercussions; citizen complaints, representative needs to put the Town first.

Deputy Mayor Shelly would volunteer; he is aware of the board; spoke on state trying to force one large MPO.

Commissioner Kelly would like to volunteer as well; spoke on his attendance at a Forward Pinellas meeting; small towns did not have a voice; need to ensure we get fair share.

Commissioner Barris moved to appoint Commissioner Shelly to the Inland North seat for the term beginning January 2025. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Shelly.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Wilkinson, Deputy Mayor Shelly, Commissioner Barris, Commissioner Kelly, and Commissioner Jennings

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Lancaster stated the south interconnect for water is online; next step will be to perform a hydraulic analysis; pilot study to determine efficacy of the technology to be used in RO plant; anticipates good results; a full discussion will be brought forward to residents and the Commission, all associated costs regarding RO plant will be presented.

Deputy Mayor Shelly commented on having a workshop. Ms. Lancaster spoke on having our own system; increases to Tampa Bay Water over next 5 years; will recommend tenants of a strategic water plan; Carl and Shirley is moving along.

Deputy Mayor Shelly requested moving meeting times to 5:00 or 5:30 PM; Attorney Daigneault suggests adding this to an agenda for discussion.

Mayor Wilkinson stated the next meeting will be October 8th.

TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Attorney Daigneault had nothing to report.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioners Barris had nothing to report.

Commissioner Kelly spoke on meeting; commended staff and thanked citizens.

Commissioner Jennings had nothing further to report.

Deputy Mayor Shelly had nothing further to report.

Mayor Wilkinson thanked staff and residents.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, meeting adjourned in due form at 6:35 PM.

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED:

MAYOR