



Town of Belleair

901 Ponce de Leon Blvd.
Belleair, FL 33756

Meeting Minutes Town Commission

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

6:00 PM

Town Hall

Welcome. We are glad to have you join us. If you wish to speak, please wait to be recognized, then step to the podium and state your name and address. We also ask that you please turn-off all cell phones.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM with Mayor Gary H. Katica presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge led by Gunner Williams.

COMMISSIONER ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Gary H. Katica
Deputy Mayor Karla Rettstatt
Commissioner Michael Wilkinson
Commissioner Tom Shelly
Commissioner Tom Kurey

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.)

Deborah Glatfelter-Resident-Commented on concerns regarding construction on adjacent property; Mr. Murphy-Town Manager-will follow up with resident.

CONSENT AGENDA

[17-0225](#)

Approval of October 3, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Deputy Mayor Rettstatt moved approval of October 3, 2017 regular meeting minutes; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

GENERAL AGENDA[17-0215](#)

Best of Belleair Community Award and Proclamation: The Doyle Family

Commissioner Kurey spoke briefly about the Town's appreciation for the Doyle Family's donation of temporary land use.

Mr. Murphy discussed use of golf course property as the temporary debris storage and reduction site (TDSRS) during Hurricane Irma response; expressed thanks to the Doyle Family; read proclamation for the record.

[17-0216](#)

Best of Belleair Community Award and Proclamation: Publix Store #867

Mr. Murphy detailed the quick initiative Publix took to serve the Town.

Officer Rick Doyle-Belleair Police Department-Briefly spoke on the donations Suzanne Robbins and Mike Maxtern provided to help sustain Town staff throughout the time of Hurricane Irma.

Mr. Murphy again expressed his thanks; proclamation read for the record.

[17-0227](#)

Discussion of a playground and/or community garden as an allowed use in Magnolia & Wall Park.

Mr. Murphy provided a brief summary of prior meeting discussions regarding request for a playground and community garden; requesting commentary from residents on the potential park additions.

Ramona Williams-Resident-Spoke on support for current park plan, but does not wish for any additions.

Mary Lerch-Resident-Spoke in support of a playground.

Malerie Daigneault-Resident-Spoke in support of a community garden.

John Lerch-Resident-Spoke in support of a small-scale playground equipment.

Mayor Katica and Deputy Mayor Rettstatt expressed concerns with parking.

Mr. Murphy noted that a sense of scale and options are important to making any decisions regarding approved park use.

Nancy Hartshorne-Resident-Spoke against the addition of the playground and garden.

Petey Henning-Resident-Spoke against the addition of items to park.

Julie Pace-Resident-Spoke against addition of items to park.

Ken Roberts-Resident Spoke against addition of items to park.

Deputy Mayor Rettstatt commented on emails received against adding a playground or garden; park designed with open space for activities; supports moving forward with current plan.

Mr. Murphy seeking direction; approval of use needed if items are to be installed.

Eric Wahlbeck-Parks and Recreation Director-Commented on previous meeting with neighbors in area; current park plan received positively; spoke on concept of a small natural playground design and crosswalks.

Ms. Pace spoke on maintaining open space in the park.

Commissioner Kurey expressed concerns with safety; suggests moving forward with design as is and evaluate any additions once park is complete.

Commissioner Shelly moved to go forward with this design and come back to this issue after the park is completed; seconded by Commissioner Kurey.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0211](#)

Proclamation Recognizing Florida City Government Week

Commissioner Shelly spoke in support of recognizing Florida City Government Week; Mr. Murphy read proclamation for the record.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of ;Proclamation Recognizing Florida City Government Week; seconded by Deputy Mayor Rettstatt.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0206](#)

Resolution 2017-24: Town of Belleair Communications Policy

Cathy DeKarz-Management Analyst-Spoke briefly on policy; open to suggestions or modifications the Commission may have.

Commissioner Shelly made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-24, Town of Belleair Communications Policy; seconded by Deputy Mayor Rettstatt.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0212](#)

Resolution 2017-25: Town of Belleair Social Media Policy

Ms. DeKarz discussed on importance of social media use and need for a policy; provided high-level overview.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Resolution 2017-25, Town of Belleair Social Media Policy; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Deputy Mayor Rettstatt requested Town Commission having ability to share official communications through their personal accounts; language amended.

Commissioner Shelly amended his motion to include that commissioners can share the official communications of the town.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0213](#) Resolution 2017-26: Town of Belleair SeeClickFix Policy

Ms. DeKarz discussed creation of policy being a collaboration amongst staff.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Resolution 2017-26, Town of Belleair SeeClickFix Policy; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0221](#) Resolution 2017-27 - Appointing Member to Finance Board

Tom Olson-Resident, Finance Board Chairman-Recommends appointing James Ingersoll Jr.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Resolution 2017-27 to appoint James Ingersoll Jr. to a two year term expiring May 31, 2019 to the Finance Board; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0228](#) Resolution 2017-28 - Appointing Member to Planning and Zoning Board

Mr. Murphy stated Gene Wrihtenberry expressed interest in serving on board.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of Gene Wrihtenberry to a two year term on the Planning and Zoning Board with an expiration date of May 31, 2019, Resolution 2017-28; seconded by Deputy Mayor Rettstatt.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

[17-0214](#) Proclaiming October 23rd-31st as Red Ribbon Week

Mr. Murphy briefly discussed a request received from the Young Marines; commented on importance of Red Ribbon Week.

Commissioner Shelly moved approval of the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Murphy discussed 5G pole installed in Belleair Beach; will be out of the office attending ICMA conference; vacancy on Recreation Board.

TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT

David Ottinger-Town Attorney-Nothing to report; will work with JP in evaluating

construction issue brought up in citizens comments.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORT/BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Katica-Nothing to report.

Commissioner Wilkinson-Suggested proclamation for retiring Recreation Board member Pat Ryan retiring; recognized Pinch-a-Penny for donation to recreation center; new officers on teen council; haunted house coming up.

Deputy Mayor Rettstatt-Nothing to report.

Commissioner Shelly-New fire station is open.

Commissioner Kurey-Commented on upcoming meeting do discuss Pinellas Ponce landscaping.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business; meeting adjourned in due form at 7:24 PM.

Deputy Mayor Rettstatt moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Wilkinson.

Aye: 5 - Mayor Katica, Deputy Mayor Rettstatt, Commissioner Wilkinson, Commissioner Shelly, and Commissioner Kurey

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED:

MAYOR