Jay G. Foy, Mayor
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Janice C. Rutan, Town Administrator



# TOWN OF HAVERHILL Regular Town Council Meeting Thursday, May 28, 2015 Town Hall – 4585 Charlotte Street AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
- V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- VI. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. Approval of the minutes of the May 14, 2015 Regular Meeting and the April 7, 2015 workshop minutes.
- VII. COMMENTS FROM THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT.
- VIII. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS
- IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READINGS
- X. FIRST READINGS AND REGULAR AGENDA
  - a. Consider Stormwater Utility Assessment
- XI. REPORTS

**Town Attorney** 

Mayor

Administrator's Report

Committee/Delegate Report

Treasurer's Report (included in packet)

- XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- XIII. NEW BUSINESS
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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# TOWN OF HAVERHILL Regular Town Council Meeting Thursday, May 28, 2015

## Town Hall – 4585 Charlotte Street OFFICIAL MINUTES

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, the regular meeting of the Haverhill Town Council was held on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the Town Hall, 4585 Charlotte Street, Haverhill. Those present were Jay G. Foy, Mayor; Jerry Beavers, Council Member; Lawrence Gordon, Council Member and Mark C. Uptegraph, Council Member. Also present were Town Attorney John Foster and Town Administrator, Janice C. Rutan.

### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Foy called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Foy offered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### ROLL CALL

The Town Administrator recorded all members present with the exception of Vice Mayor Woods.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There being no additions, deletions or substitutions, a motion was made by Council Member Beavers, seconded by Council Member Gordon and unanimously approved (4-0) to approve the agenda as presented.

# APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of the May 14, 2015 Regular Meeting and April 7, 2015 workshop minutes.

A motion was made by Council Member Uptegraph, seconded by Council Member Gordon and unanimously passed (4-0) to approve the consent agenda as presented.

# COMMENTS FROM THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

None. (D/S Hanks arrived later in the evening explaining there had been an incident that required all on duty officers in the area to respond, therefore, an officer was unable to attend the meeting to report on crime statistics within the Town). Council expressed their appreciation to D/S Hanks and thanked him for coming by.

## PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS AND SECOND READINGS

None.

## FIRST READINGS AND REGULAR AGENDA

#### **Consider Stormwater Utility Assessment**

Mayor Foy gave a verbal presentation on the idea of imposing a town-wide Stormwater Utility Assessment. He explained that he had always been a believer in a tax for a purpose and a stormwater utility assessment would be a tax set for a specific purpose. Using the same methodology the City of Atlantis used when assessing their residents as an example, he explained that the Town would need to estimate the value of the infrastructure and the replacement costs of

the system and assess each unit accordingly, depending on the number of years being used for the replacement period.

The discussion then turned to the needed drainage repairs for Park and Cyprus Lanes and whether that project should be completed prior to implementing an assessment.

Comparisons were made to assessing a stormwater utility fee or increasing the ad valorem millage rate.

It was agreed that the matter would be brought before the Code and Ordinance Committee. The Town Administrator would invite the Town Manager from Atlantis to the meeting to explain the implementing process and to be available to answer Council's questions and concerns.

## REPORTS

## **Town Attorney**

The Town Attorney reported that there had been recent court decisions supporting municipalities' bans on puppy mill pet stores, etc.

### Mayor

Mayor Foy then asked about considering adopting a medical district for the commercial area in the Town. He noted that although medical facilities generate excessive traffic, they provide a beneficial tax base for municipalities.

He then noted that he had purchased a hedge type plant from Home Depot with the name "schlefflera" which was included in the Town's invasive species. The Town Administrator agreed to contact Michelle Duchene, the Town's Landscape Architect to learn if there were varied species of schlefflera, some of which were not invasive.

Mayor Foy reported on the County's proposal to implement a half cent sales tax that could be used for funding failing infrastructure and parks and recreation. If approved, the municipalities would benefit from the proration of the funds received, and could possibly alleviate the need to increase millage.

The Town had received correspondence from FEMA that they were reviewing the Town's request for an appeal from the FEMA FIRMs.

The Town's NPDES program was scheduled to be audited.

#### Administrator's Report

The Town Administrator reported on several zoning applications and comprehensive land use amendments being considered by Palm Beach County. Many of the projects were located between Jog Road and Military Trail, Southern Boulevard to Okeechobee Trail. She expressed concern that they may generate enough of a traffic increase to open the door for the matter of six laning Belvedere Road to be revisited.

She had attended a meeting of Palm Beach Central Chamber of Commerce during which the future expansion plans of the Palm Beach International Airport were discussed. She explained that the airport would be presenting a totally revised master plan for consideration that was just in the planning stages at this point.

Because Palm Beach County MPO was preparing its next five year plan for County Commission consideration, Mayor Foy would send a letter once again expressing the Town's opposition to widening Belvedere or Haverhill Roads and again ask for their consideration in constructing a sidewalk along the south side of Belvedere Road, Drexel Road to the Haverhill Park.

The Town Administrator reported she had received notification that Metro PCS would be terminating their ground lease with the Town effective June 30, 2015.

# Committee/Delegate Report

Council Member Beavers reported on the CCAN (Citizen's Committee on Airport Noise) meeting at the airport.

The Palm Beach County Annual Gala and installation of officers had been held May 20, 2015 at the Kravitz Center.

The Town of Palm Beach would not be changing their election date to coincide with the 2016 Presidential Preference Primary and would now be required to manage their own election separate from the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections.

## Treasurer's Report

Included in packet.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

| Approved:     | June 11, 2015          | $ \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}$ |  |
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