

The City Council of the City of Titusville, Florida met in regular session in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 555 South Washington Avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 2004 beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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Present were Mayor Ron Swank, Vice-Mayor Ken Ward and Members Conrad Eigenmann and Jeff Rainey. Also in attendance were City Manager Tom Harmer and City Attorney Dwight Severs. Member Chris Broome was absent.

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Mayor Swank called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of silence. The entire assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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Vice-Mayor Ward moved to hear Special Recognitions at this time. Member Rainey seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

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Special Recognitions – Matt Hixon, a City Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, was introduced by City Manager Harmer as City Employee of the Month for December 2003. City Manager Harmer read from Mr. Hixon's nomination that included numerous outstanding achievements. Mayor Swank and members of City Council congratulated Mr. Hixon and thanked him for his loyal service to the City.

City Clerk Karan Rounsavall recognized Assistant City Clerk Wanda Wells on her achievement on obtaining Certified Municipal Clerk status from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. Mayor Swank and members of City Council congratulated Mrs. Wells and commended her for her dedication.

City Manager Harmer reviewed the thorough selection process taken by the City in its search for a new Chief of Police. He then announced the selection of Anthony Bollinger who had served as Interim Police Chief since the retirement of Frank Ross. He read Chief Bollinger's biography. Retired Police Chief Ross, accompanied by Chief Bollinger's wife, Carol, administered the oath of office and placed the Police Chief's Badge on his uniform. Mayor Swank spoke of council's pride in Chief Bollinger and stated the Titusville Police Department was one of the best departments around. Chief Bollinger addressed council thanking City Manager Harmer, Retired Police Chief Ross and the employees of the Titusville Police Department. He concluded his remarks by honoring his children, his wife Carol, and lastly his mother who was unable to attend the ceremony.

The meeting recessed at 7:03 p.m. and reconvened at 7:12 p.m.

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Approval of Minutes – Member Rainey moved to approve the minutes of regular meetings November 25, 2003 and December 9, 2003 as well as special meeting December 2, 2003. Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

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Consent Agenda – Thelma Roper spoke in opposition to Resolution 2-2004 as requested by the Florida League of Cities.

Walter Pine spoke in opposition to Resolution 2-2004 as requested by the Florida League of Cities. He further claimed that the public record was not made available and no public hearings were held concerning issues within the proposed resolution. He recommended that council not support the resolution as long as annexation was addressed within its contents.

Veronica Clifford felt that Section 3 of Resolution 2-2004 was confusing and was unclear how the resolution pertained to the elimination of enclaves.

Joan Wheeler opposed council's support of the Florida League of Cities' legislative action as outlined in Resolution 2-2004. She spoke of politicians who had their careers tarnished through past annexation programs and felt citizens did not like being forced to do anything. She then spoke in opposition to the agreement with the Brevard County Tax Collector for the collection of non-ad valorem solid waste assessments.

Laura Ward hoped council would develop the patio home ordinance with feedback from citizens in order to prevent future problems with green areas and stormwater. Mayor Swank asked City Manager Harmer to address Mrs. Ward's concerns in the draft of the ordinance. He also asked that the proposed ordinance include a minimum 1,200 square footage and a 25% set aside of the entire development including stormwater aspects.

Member Eigenmann was unclear on the content of Resolution 2-2004 and felt the item should be tabled. Member Eigenmann then moved to table consideration of Resolution 2-2004 supporting the Florida League of Cities' key priority issues during the 2004 legislative session to the next regular meeting on January 27, 2004 and to approve all remaining consent items in accordance with the following recommendations:

- A. Approve Resolution No. 1-2004 declaring the necessity for the removal of a dilapidated structure at 609 West Court. Recommendation: Authorize adoption of Resolution of Necessity to remove dilapidated structure at 609 West Court.
- C. Approve final plat for Willow Creek Commercial Center – Phase I. Recommendation: Approve final plat subject to the applicant meeting all the requirements of Land Development Regulations Sections 51-111 through 51-113.
- D. Approve advisability to proceed with ordinance creating the new Single Family Patio Home (R-1d) zoning district. Recommendation: Approve advisability to proceed with ordinance. The first public hearing was scheduled for February 10, 2004 and the second public hearing was scheduled for February 24, 2004.

- E. Authorize execution of agreements with Brevard County Tax Collector and Property Appraiser for collection of non-ad valorem solid waste assessments. Recommendation: Authorize execution of two (2) agreements – one with the Brevard County Tax Collector and one with the Brevard County Property Appraiser for collection of Non-Ad Valorem Solid Waste Assessments.

- F. Approve new Capital Improvement Project for water and sewer utility adjustments on Dairy Road and Singleton Avenue in the amount of \$50,000 and corresponding budget amendment reallocating funds from an existing project account. Authorize the Mayor to execute the interlocal agreement with Brevard County to accomplish the adjustments as part of the Dairy Road/Singleton Avenue project. Recommendation: Approve new Capital Improvement Project for water and sewer utility adjustments on Dairy Road and Singleton Avenue in the amount of \$50,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute the interlocal agreement with Brevard County to accomplish the adjustments as part of the Dairy Road/Singleton Avenue project. Funding: This reallocation from an existing project account of the Water Resources Capital Improvement account did not result in any increase to the existing budget and no additional funding is requested.

- G. Authorize Brevard County Parks and Recreation Department to proceed with improvements including park benches, trashcans, landscaping, and picnic tables at the Gemini Memorial. Recommendation: Authorize Brevard County to proceed with improvement to the Gemini Memorial. Funding: The improvements would be funded with Brevard County Parks Referendum funds.

- H. Authorize disposition of fixed assets at City auction on January 24, 2004. Recommendation: Approve the fixed asset items to be auctioned on January 24, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. onsite at the City Auctioneer's site at 422 Julia Street, Titusville, Florida. Funding: This is a revenue generating action that is reflected in Miscellaneous Revenues, Disposition of Fixed Assets and revenue would be added to the General Fund.

- I. Award bid to Driveways, Inc. in the amount of \$21,784.91 for the Heritage Drive Sewer Line Improvements project. Recommendation: Award bid No. 04-B-003 to Driveways, Inc. of Titusville in the amount of \$21,784.91 for the Heritage Drive Sewer Line Improvements project – the lowest bidder for the project. Funding: The project would be funded from the Capital Improvement Program account of the Water Resources Field Operations.

- J. Approve CUES, Inc. as the sole source vendor for the refurbishment/conversion of the CUES van and video inspection equipment at a cost of \$34,990. Recommendation: Approve CUES, Inc. as the sole source vendor for the refurbishment/conversion of the CUES van and video inspection equipment at a cost of \$34,990. Funding: Funding was approved in the FY 2003/2004 Capital Outlay Budget of the Water Resources Stormwater Division.

Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion.

City Manager Harmer asked to table the item to authorize Brevard County Parks and Recreation Department to proceed with improvements including park benches, trashcans, landscaping, and picnic tables at the Gemini Memorial to the next regular meeting on January 27, 2004.

Member Eigenmann amended his original motion to remove the item to authorize Brevard County Parks and Recreation Department to proceed with improvements including park benches, trashcans, landscaping, and picnic tables at the Gemini Memorial from those consent items to approve as recommended and to table the item to the regular meeting on January 27, 2004. Vice-Mayor Ward's second held and the roll call was:

Vice-Mayor Ward	yes
Mayor Swank	yes
Member Rainey	yes
Member Eigenmann	yes

The motion carried.

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Presentations – Council received a presentation from City Manager Harmer that outlined the City Annual Report for 2002-2003.

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Petitions and Requests from the Public Present – Mayor Swank read the guidelines for speaking by the public present.

Walter Pine felt council violated an ordinance by not completing agenda items. He felt that he did the Mayor's job by explaining to council how meetings are conducted. He felt council should conform to rules and be knowledgeable of them and that potential conflicts of interests should be avoided. He felt council was not properly doing their job.

Thelma Roper opposed a sign at the City Clerk's Office that limited access by citizens. She felt citizens had the right of access and limiting citizens' constitutional rights by locking doors and posting signs was uncalled for and should be corrected immediately.

Stan Adams was concerned for his safety and that of his wife from animals, specifically dogs, in his neighborhood. He asked council for guidance on what steps to take concerning the nuisance and threat of injury from animals in his neighborhood. Mayor Swank asked City Manager Harmer to address the issue with Animal Control. City Manager Harmer stated he would gladly meet with Mr. Adams to address his concerns.

Woody Rice presented council a fact sheet concerning solid waste disposal at proposed Summerhill Apartment. He had concerns of solid waste disposal procedures for the complex and felt current City solid waste collection did not meet requirements of the facility. He proposed the use of a temporary private hauler and gave reasons to justify his proposal. Mayor Swank asked City Manager Harmer to address the issue. Vice-Mayor Ward agreed with Mayor Swank that the City Manager should address the issue and thanked Mr. Rice for presenting council a viable solution to a problem. Vice-Mayor Ward felt dumpsters could not be eliminated but felt the proposal made sense. Member Rainey felt that upcoming large projects could use solid waste compactors more effectively than dumpsters and felt compactors were a cleaner way to handle trash. City Manager Harmer was not aware of a problem at the complex and felt he needed time to understand the problem but stated that both short and long-term solutions would be obtained.

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Ordinances - First Reading – Walter Pine felt removing Questions from the Press from the agenda was self serving and inappropriate. He felt council was removing a right of the press and found no reason to remove the item from the agenda and recommended that council members limit their comments to two comments per agenda item as outlined in Roberts Rules of Order.

Member Eigenmann clarified his reasoning and intent for placing on the agenda for discussion a draft ordinance to delete “Question and Answer Period for the Press” from the city council regular meeting agenda.

Thelma Roper opposed the drafting of an ordinance to delete “Question and Answer Period for the Press” from the regular meeting agenda of council. She felt the action was in retaliation for past questions from the press during council meetings. She further felt that questions from the press should be separate from comments from the public.

Susan Canada opposed the drafting of an ordinance to delete “Question and Answer Period for the Press” from the regular meeting agenda of council. She felt, as a reporter, that time allowed the public to speak on items was less than that allowed for the press.

Member Eigenmann further clarified his intent in recommending the ordinance to delete “Question and Answer Period for the Press” from the regular meeting agenda of council as he felt the press could speak and ask questions during the many areas during the meeting the public was granted the opportunity.

Susan Canada spoke in favor of Ordinance 5-2004, specifically small scale amendment application numbers 21-2003 and 22-2003 as related to property at the northeast corner of Park Avenue and Harrison Street. She supported the developer of the project.

Ray Wheeler was concerned for the preservation of the natural beauty and wetlands as related to Ordinance 8-2004 to annex property west of Carpenter Road, north of Baker Avenue, and south of Eola Avenue into the City of Titusville.

Attorney Severs read ORDINANCE NO. 4-2004 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA AMENDING SECTION 2-26, RULES OF THE CITY COUNCIL, BY AMENDING RULE 5 BY DELETING QUESTIONS AND ANSWER PERIOD FOR THE PRESS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE and

ORDINANCE NO. 5-2004 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 60-1988 WHICH ADOPTED THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY, BY AMENDING THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF SAID PLAN AND MAPS BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARK AVENUE AND HARRISON STREET FROM RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL HIGH INTENSITY LAND USE DESIGNATION; BY AMENDING THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF SAID PLAN AND MAPS BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED EAST OF PARK AVENUE LYING NORTH OF HARRISON STREET FROM RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL HIGH INTENSITY LAND USE DESIGNATION; BY AMENDING THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF SAID PLAN AND MAPS BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED WEST OF CARPENTER ROAD, NORTH OF BAKER AVENUE, AND SOUTH OF EOLA AVENUE WITH RESIDENTIAL LAND USE DESIGNATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE and

ORDINANCE 6-2004 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-1993 OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP MADE A PART OF SAID ORDINANCE BY REFERENCE BY CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF PARK AVENUE AND HARRISON STREET FROM ITS PRESENT MULTI-FAMILY HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-3) CLASSIFICATION TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) CLASSIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE and

ORDINANCE 7-2004 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-1993 OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP MADE A PART OF SAID ORDINANCE BY REFERENCE BY CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED EAST OF PARK AVENUE LYING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF HARRISON STREET FROM ITS PRESENT MULTI-FAMILY HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-3) CLASSIFICATION TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) CLASSIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE and

ORDINANCE 8-2004 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 7, OR CHAPTER 63-2001, LAWS OF FLORIDA, SPECIAL ACTS OF 1963, BY ANNEXING CERTAIN PROPERTY WEST OF CARPENTER ROAD, NORTH OF BAKER AVENUE, AND SOUTH OF EOLA AVENUE TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS; DESIGNATING LAND USE CLASSIFICATION; PROVIDING ZONING CATEGORY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE the first time by title only.

Second reading and public hearing was scheduled for January 27, 2004.

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The meeting recessed at 8:22 p.m. and reconvened at 8:28 p.m.

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Public Hearings and Related Action

Attorney Severs read ORDINANCE 3-2004 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 47-105 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, CLARIFYING AND PERMITTING THE RESUBMITTAL OF A LARGE SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT INVOLVING A REZONING, COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT OR ANNEXATION AS PROVIDED FOR IN CHAPTER 163 FLORIDA STATUTES; NO SOONER THAN SIX MONTHS AFTER FIRST DENIAL OF SAID REQUEST; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE the second time by title only.

City Manager Harmer requested to table consideration of Ordinance 3-2004 to the January 27, 2004 meeting in order to allow the Planning and Zoning Commission to make a recommendation.

Member Eigenmann moved to table consideration of Ordinance 3-2004 to the January 27, 2004 meeting in order to allow the Planning and Zoning Commission to make a recommendation. Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

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Vice-Mayor Ward and Member Rainey both declared they had spoken with the applicant in regard to Easement Vacation No. 1-2004 in the Meadows East Subdivision.

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Attorney Severs read ORDINANCE NO. 1-2004 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 5-1993 OF THE CITY OF TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP MADE A PART OF SAID ORDINANCE BY REFERENCE BY CHANGING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF U.S. HIGHWAY ONE IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF 561 NORTH WASHINGTON AVENUE FROM ITS PRESENT MULTI-FAMILY HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-3) CLASSIFICATION TO COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) CLASSIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE the second time by title.

City Manager Harmer presented background on rezoning application no. 1-2004 as requested by Patricia Reisiger with permission of Virginia Bettinghaus, Laurie Bettinghaus, Lisa Fitzgerald, and Susan Felder, Trustees. He reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission at its meeting on December 3, 2003 recommended approval with conditions.

Mayor Swank opened the public hearing. With no public desiring to speak, Mayor Swank closed the public hearing.

Member Eigenmann moved to approve Ordinance No. 1-2004 with conditions as recommended. Member Rainey seconded the motion and the roll call was:

Mayor Swank	yes
Member Rainey	yes
Member Eigenmann	yes
Vice-Mayor Ward	yes

The motion carried.

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City Manager Harmer outlined the provisions of Resolution 3-2004 to vacate and replace the existing stormwater easement on Lot 80, Meadows East Subdivision as requested by Wendy Dankovchik, owner.

Mayor Swank opened the public hearing. Doug Baker recommended approval as attorney for the applicant and made himself available for questions. With no other citizens desiring to speak on the item, Mayor Swank closed the public hearing.

Member Rainey moved to approve Resolution 3-2004 as submitted and accept dedication of relocated stormwater easement. Member Eigenmann seconded the motion and the roll call was:

Mayor Swank	yes
Member Rainey	yes
Member Eigenmann	yes
Vice-Mayor Ward	abstain

The motion carried with one abstention. Vice-Mayor Ward abstained due to a conflict of interest.

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New Business – Water Resources Community Programs Coordinator Maureen Phillips presented an update on conservation programs sponsored by the City. She highlighted water savings programs that included a shower head exchange program and toilet rebate program that awarded citizens with a rebate for installing new toilets that saved water. Ms. Phillips requested council support of future programs that promote water conservation. She then detailed landscaping project and past Florida Friendly Landscaping Seminars hosted by the City and future seminars that were planned.

Ms. Phillips gave an overview and background on an agreement between the City and The Oaks Developers Group, Inc. regarding the Oaks at Meadow Woods subdivision located off of Holder Road north of American Village in the City's Area of Critical Concern and requested council approval of the agreement and the authorization of the Mayor to execute the agreement. The agreement proposed to temporarily connect the subdivision's reclaimed water distribution system to the City's potable water system for irrigation purposes and individual lots would be metered and pay the normal rates as established by the City. Once reuse water was available in the area, the irrigation system would be switched to the reuse source.

Vice-Mayor Ward felt that rain sensor requirements, if state law, should be enforced by the City.

Member Rainey moved to approve the agreement as submitted and to authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement. Mayor Swank seconded the motion.

Vice-Mayor Ward asked a series of questions that were addressed by Water Resources Director Raynetta Grant. He was surprised that no citizens requested to speak on the issue and that he wanted the City to avoid going down the path on reuse water. City Manager Harmer felt there was a nationwide trend to meter reuse water and did not see a problem with the process. Vice-Mayor Ward was concerned that homeowners would receive high reuse water bills.

Member Eigenmann wanted to clarify that there would be two separate tap on fee and that citizens would pay their regular water bill as well as a separate reuse water bill. Mrs. Grant confirmed the billing process and said the irrigation rate would be higher than the rate for plain potable water. City Manager Harmer said a fee schedule existed for both potable water and irrigation water and that the rate schedule was in the current ordinance.

Mayor Swank felt reuse water was a commodity that should be considered in terms of conservation. Vice-Mayor Ward understood the Mayor but remained concerned that irrigation water meters would remain in place and reuse water should not become an enterprise of the City. Attorney Severs felt the agreement was a reasonable measure for the City to take.

Member Eigenmann supported Vice-Mayor Ward's view and agreed with Attorney Severs but was concerned about the precedent the agreement would set. He wanted other developments to understand that the action was not inclusive of all other areas and that he supported the action due to the development being in an Area of Critical Concern.

Vice-Mayor Ward felt the agreement would dictate where the City reuse water line would go and force City budget priorities.

Member Rainey amended his original motion to add, “due to the area being an Area of Critical Concern”. The second by Mayor Swank held. The motion passed by a 3 to 1 majority vote. Mayor Swank and Members Eigenmann and Rainey voted in favor of the motion and Vice-Mayor Ward voted against the motion.

City Manager Harmer was directed to follow up on enforcement of legislation that required installation of rain sensors on new construction and over spray from irrigation sprinklers on State Road 50.

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Member Rainey moved to approve the purchase of one John Deere 410 Backhoe from Nortrax, Inc. of Lutz, Florida under State of Florida bid No. 760-001-03-1 at a cost not to exceed \$47,000 with funds from the Sidewalk In-fill and Replacement Program and the Road Repaving Program fund accounts. Member Eigenmann seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

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Petitions and Requests from the Public Present – Joan Wheeler felt she paid for reuse water but did not receive it and was disappointed in the water management of the City.

John Pine felt the City wasted water through City owned sprinkler systems and that the City should use irrigation rain sensors. He further felt that wells throughout the City were very close to salt water. Member Eigenmann agreed that rain sensors should be on City maintained sprinkler systems.

Veronica Clifford asked for clarification of how the Municipal Code Enforcement Board process landscaping buffer requests. Attorney Severs clarified that council dealt with landscaping buffer requests. Ms. Clifford then asked which office to submit landscaping recommendations to because she felt the developers of the housing project off of Sisson Road did not properly plan their landscaping buffers.

Attorney Severs updated council on actions taken by the Municipal Code Enforcement Board against Sterling Forest for code violations at the development off of Sisson Road which included a monetary fine payable to the City of \$20,000 as well as landscaping improvements at an estimated cost of \$157,000. Vice-Mayor Ward felt a press release should be issued to deter other developers from committing like violations in the future.

Member Rainey requested Veronica Clifford be granted time to speak and council agreed.

Veronica Clifford had questions concerning landscaping buffers along Sisson Road that regarded the Sterling Forest project. Attorney Severs described a landscaping wall that would be placed in the area.

Laura Ward asked for clarification as to whether a plastic fence would be installed along Sisson Road as part of the Sterling Forest project. Attorney Severs confirmed that a plastic fence would be placed along Sisson Road along a portion of the Sterling Forest project.

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Boards and Commissions – Council reviewed and confirmed its outside agency appointments with the only change made being Member Rainey will represent council at the Space Coast Economic Development Commission and Brevard County Economic Development Commission vice Mayor Swank.

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Mayor and Council Reports Council acknowledged receipt of the mayor's written report on his activities since the last meeting. Mayor Swank announced Arbor Day activities on January 16, 2004. Council approved the Mayor's correspondence to congressional representatives supporting the East Central Florida Integrated Water Resources Project.

City Manager Harmer recommended council support and participation in the East-Central Florida Integrated Water Resources Project. Mayor Swank volunteered to participate and Vice-Mayor Ward volunteered to serve as an alternate.

Member Eigenmann moved to select Mayor Swank as primary representative and Vice-Mayor Ward as alternate to the East-Central Florida Integrated Water Resources Project. Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mayor Swank then announced that he agreed to serve on the Brevard Community College Campus Advisory Committee for 2004.

Vice-Mayor Ward desired to discuss the City visioning meeting scheduled for January 15, 2004. He clarified his action taken January 7, 2004 when he invited the Planning and Zoning Commission to attend all visioning meetings. He now understood that the initial meeting was to develop the council's vision.

Mayor Swank informed City Manager Harmer that Members Broome and Eigenmann were unable to attend the visioning meeting on January 15, 2004 and felt the meeting should be rescheduled. City Manager Harmer agreed and requested guidance on the establishment of a new meeting date. After polling the members present, Mayor Swank felt City Manager Harmer should poll members after the meeting to determine a date all members could attend. City Manager Harmer acknowledged the guidance.

Member Rainey reported on his attendance at the Space Coast League of Cities Meeting. He was impressed with the uniqueness of street signs in the City of Palm Bay.

Member Eigenmann felt council acted too hastily when Mayor Swank and Vice-Mayor Ward were selected to represent the City at the East-Central Florida Integrated Water Resources Project. He felt Member Rainey's water resources experience would be an asset. Member Rainey felt the Mayor's attendance would look better on the City but had no problem in serving.

Member Eigenmann moved to select Member Rainey as alternate to the East-Central Florida Integrated Water Resources Project vice Vice-Mayor Ward. Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

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City Manager's Report - Council acknowledged receipt of the City Manager's written report. City Manager Harmer restated there would be no meeting on Thursday, January 15, 2004.

City Manager Harmer reported that Heather Thies of the Titusville YMCA had requested to give a presentation to council at the January 27, 2004 meeting to update council on the YMCA's current projects and partnerships.

Vice-Mayor Ward move to approve the request for presentation as submitted for the January 27, 2004 meeting. Member Rainey seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

City Manager Harmer reported that the Brevard County Supervisor of Elections requested the use of city hall as a polling place for the following elections: Presidential Preference Primary, Tuesday, March 9, 2004; First Primary, Tuesday, August 31, 2004; General Election, Tuesday, November 2, 2004. City Manager Harmer recommended approval of the request.

Member Rainey moved to approve city hall usage as a polling place as requested. Vice-Mayor Ward seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

City Manager Harmer reported receipt of Letters of Appreciation for the following employees:
Fire Department:

Reggie Belle
Jeff Harris

Jack Kimmel
Richard Talbert

Tiffany Ford
David Higginbotham

Police Department:

John Lau
Margaret Vess
Erich Barrett

Jeff King
Mel Williams

Scott Larsson
Stephen Scofield

City Manager Harmer announced he accepted an invitation to serve on the Brevard Community College Campus Advisory Committee for 2004.

City Manager Harmer then advised council that the Wuesthoff Park to W.W. James Park multi-purpose trail project was approved by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. He then advised council that the first public hearing on Ordinance No. 2-2004 excluding submerged lands in the calculation of density, etc. for waterfront properties was scheduled for January 20, 2004.

City Manager Harmer concluded his report by advising council of upcoming meetings/events.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Ronald G. Swank, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karan J. Rounsavall, City Clerk