

City of Clermont
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 22, 2017

Clermont City Council met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 in the Clermont City Council Chambers. Mayor Ash called the meeting to order at 6:30pm with the following Council Members present: Council Members Mullins, Bates, and Goodgame. Other City officials present were: City Manager Gray, City Attorney Mantzaris, and City Clerk Ackroyd Howe.

Council Member Travis was absent.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Colon gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

Quarterly Budget Update

Finance Director Van Zile presented the highlights of the City of Clermont Quarterly Performance Report for the period of October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The report represented the financial activity of the City of Clermont and is located on the City's website. Mr. VanZile reviewed the top 10 revenues, major fund revenues, major fund expenditures, and departmental expenditures. The future Quarterly Budget Updates will contain additional information on the Master Plan projects.

Mayor Ash noted Items 7, 8 and 9 will be tabled to September 12, 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Stephen Franklin; 378 12th Street, spoke of a possible boat ramp site on the west side of Lake Minnehaha. Mr. Franklin distributed a copy of a potential site plan to the Council. The site plan provides the needed parking for boating and events. Mr. Franklin will be presenting the site plan to the Lake County Water Authority meeting on August 24, 2017.

Council Member Goodgame noted he spoke with Lake County Commissioner Parks and the property owners rejected the idea of having a boat ramp at Mr. Franklin's proposed site.

City Manager Gray stated he has a meeting with the Lake County Manager and the Lake County Water Authority and will bring the boat ramp options to the Council at the September 26, 2017 Council meeting.

REPORTS

City Manager Gray reported on the difficulty in recruiting building inspectors and plans reviewers positions and the consideration of offering a signing bonus. The City has been recruiting for four positions for more than a year; however, the private sector hires the majority of licensed inspectors and plans reviewers. The City is within the salary range; however, there are not enough licensed inspectors and plans reviewers throughout the state. Mr. Gray asked for a Council consensus of offering a one-time signing bonus of \$2,500, and the individuals would have to stay a minimum of one year. The City has four positions available and there is \$10,000 available in budget. The City could possibly end the contracts with the current companies providing the services for the City.

Council was in agreement with offering the one-time bonus.

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The City received the SAFER grant for the Fire Department and City Manager Gray requested Council to accept the grant to move forward on recruiting. The grant will pay 75 percent of the salaries for the first and second year of employment, 35 percent the third year, and after the third year the City will pay the full cost.

Council Member Mullins moved to accept the SAFER grant for nine positions; seconded by Council Member Bates. The motion passed with all member present voting aye.

City Manager Gray announced the First Budget Public Hearing will be held on September 7, 2017 at 6:30pm and the Final Budget Public Hearing will be held at 6:30pm on September 21, 2017. The 9/11 Ceremony will be held at the Arts and Recreation Center beginning at 10am.

City Attorney Mantzaris – No report.

Council Member Bates – No report.

Council Member Goodgame reported the property in front of the Kings Ridge subdivision has lost all of the deed restrictions and the property has been sold to Vista Medical Group. Mr. Goodgame commented on the demonstration Chief Broadway gave at the South Lake Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Council Member Mullins commented the items being tabled were due to the Planning and Zoning Commission's lack of a quorum for their August meeting and asked if this has been a recurring issue. City Attorney Mantzaris stated it was not a recurring issue.

Mayor Ash reported on attending the Lake County Mayors/Manager meeting, the opening of the Dream Academy, the Firefighter swearing in ceremony, the ribbon cutting for the Lake/Sumter State College Science and Health building, the Homeless Task Force meeting, attended the wake for Richard Langley, and held Coffee with the Mayor at Gray Collective Bridal Shop.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Ash advised the next item on the Agenda for consideration was the Consent Agenda and requested anyone wishing to have any item pulled for discussion to please come forward at this time.

Item No. 1 – Meeting Minutes

Consider approval of the July 11, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes.

Item No. 2 – Contract Award

Consider request to piggyback the Lake County Board of County Commissioners contract with Bee-Saf-Tee Fire Equipment, Inc. to provide fire protection systems inspection, testing, and maintenance in the estimated annual budget amount of \$50,000.00.

Item No. 3 – Utility Easement

Consider acceptance of an easement located on Hartle Road for the Hartle Road expansion.

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Item No. 5 – Resolution No. 2017-16

Consider approval of Resolution adopting Fire Department Standards of Cover.

Item No. 6 – Resolution No. 2017-41

Consider approval of Resolution authorizing surplus and a quit claim of City property (.02 acres) in exchange for quit claim of property (.018 acres) from Victory Pointe, LLC.

Council Member Goodgame moved for approval of the Consent Agenda; seconded by Council Member Bates. The motion passed with all members present voting aye.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Item No. 7 – Ordinance No. 2017-28 – Final, Clermont Ridge Senior Villas Annexation Table to September 12, 2017

City Clerk Ackroyd Howe read Ordinance 2017-28 aloud by title only.

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clermont, Lake County, Florida, providing for the annexation of a certain parcel of land contiguous to the present City boundaries; providing for an effective date, severability, recording, and publication.

Council Member Mullins moved to table Ordinance 2017-28 to September 12, 2017; seconded by Council Member Goodgame. The motion passed with all members present voting aye.

Item No. 8 – Ordinance No. 2017-29 – Final, Clermont Ridge Senior Villas Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment Table to September 12, 2017

City Clerk Ackroyd Howe read Ordinance 2017-29 aloud by title only.

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clermont, Lake County, Florida, adopting the Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment for the City of Clermont, Florida, pursuant to the Local Government Comprehensive Planning Act, Chapter 163, Part II, Florida Statutes; setting forth the authority for adoption of the Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment; setting forth the purpose and intent of the Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment; providing for the adoption of the Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment; establishing the legal status of the Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment; providing a severability clause and providing an effective date.

Council Member Mullins moved to table Ordinance 2017-29 to September 12, 2017; seconded by Council Member Goodgame. The motion passed with all members present voting aye.

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**Item No. 9 – Ordinance No. 2017-30 – Final, Clermont Ridge Senior Villas Rezoning
Table to September 12, 2017**

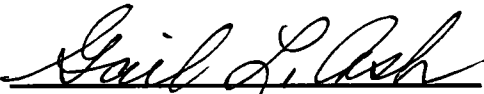
City Clerk Ackroyd Howe read Ordinance 2017-30 aloud by title only.

An Ordinance under the Code of Ordinances of the City of Clermont, Lake County, Florida amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Clermont referred to in Chapter 122 of Ordinance No. 289-C, Code of Ordinances; rezoning the real properties described herein as shown below; providing for severability, effective date, and publication.

Council Member Mullins moved to table Ordinance 2017-30 to September 12, 2017; seconded by Council Member Goodgame. The motion passed with all members present voting aye.

ADJOURN: With no further comments, this meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.

APPROVED:


Gail L. Ash, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tracy Ackroyd Howe, City Clerk

