



REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

**COMMISSION CHAMBERS - CITY HALL
234 South US Hwy 1
Oak Hill, FL 32759
386-345-3522**

**July 9, 2012
6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

A. OPENING

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

Present at Roll Call: Mayor Mary Lee Cook, Vice Mayor Linda Hyatt, Commissioners Ron Engele, Douglas Gibson and Kathy Bittle

B. PRESENTATION - NONE

C. CITY ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Budget Workshop Schedule

The City Clerk stated at the next Commission Meeting the Commission will need to decide what millage rate will go out to the citizens as the proposed millage rate. The Clerk advised the roll-back rate, which is the rate the City needs to obtain the same amount of money as the prior year, is lower than last year's rate.

2. Workshop Reminder – Julie Woods

The City Clerk also reminded the Commission that before the next Commission Meeting there will be a workshop to discuss the proposal from Julie Wood.

The City Clerk reminded the Commission she will be on vacation on July 20th and July 23rd, therefore the administrative assistant Jeany Gonzalez will take the minutes for the next Commission meeting.

D. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (Non-agenda – 15 Minutes)

Bill McGee, Halifax Avenue, inquired about an animal ordinance and whether it provides any guidelines for cats. He is concerned with the growth of feral cats in the area and would like to address some options.

The City Clerk stated she will contact other cities and inquire what actions they have taken or are taking.

Mike Arman, Magda Lane, inquired about the status of the CDBG Small Cities Grant.

The City Clerk stated the qualified contractors should be inspecting the qualified properties and then submitting their bids by the end of the month.

E. CITY ATTORNEY NON-AGENDA ITEMS (Scott Simpson)

F. POLICE DEPARTMENT RELATED ITEMS (Captain Summers)

The Commission is still concerned with the trespassing at Mary Dewees Park; the Lieutenant stated they will continue to do their best at pursuing trespassers.

G. CITY PLANNER ITEMS (Montye Beamer)

1. Annexation – Beehive

The City Planner has spoken with the County, finding that the properties on Beehive drive do qualify for annexations as long as the legal description and survey extends to the center of the road.

Maurice Mathieu, Canal Avenue, asked the Commission to please waive his annexation fees.

The Commission stated they review that option after the surveys have been received.

The Mayor closed the regular Commission Meeting and opened the Public meeting at 6:30PM.

2.

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF OAK HILL, FLORIDA, GRANTING THE ABANDONING AND VACATING OF A PORTION OF THE WEST SIDE OF RIDGE ROAD CONTAINING 18,517 SQUARE FEET AND LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 580 FEET SOUTH OF E. HALIFAX AVENUE ABUTTING THE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE OAK HILL COMMUNITY TRUST WITH THE EXISTING FIFTY FOOT PAVED RIGHT-OF-WAY REMAINING FOR THE TRAVELING PUBLIC AND FURTHER DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A"; AUTHORIZING RECORDING; REPEALING RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND APPLICABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Gibson to approve Resolution 2012-04 as read. Roll Call Vote: Mayor Cook, Yes; Vice Mayor Hyatt, Yes; Commissioner Engele, Yes; Commissioner Gibson, Yes; Commissioner Bittle, abstained. The motion carried 4-0.

3. NPDES Permit Renewal Notification

The City Planner stated the City's Stormwater permit has been accepted.

H. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Bills and Paid Interim Bills for July 9, 2012

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Hyatt and seconded by Commissioner Bittle to approve the Consent Agenda. Roll Call Vote: Mayor Cook, Yes; Vice Mayor Hyatt, Yes; Commissioner Engele, Yes; Commissioner Gibson, Yes; Commissioner Bittle, Yes. The motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Engele requested New Business be moved ahead of Old Business; the Mayor agreed.

I. NEW BUSINESS

1. School Grounds Maintenance – Commissioner Engele

Commissioner Engele informed the Commission he spoke to the Burns Sci-Tech Charter School in reference to the grounds maintenance; and he would like the Commission to consider the option. He distributed an outline of the manpower, gas and maintenance of machinery that would be required to maintain the grounds at the school and the offer from the school of \$500 per month.

The Commission discussed the burden on the Public Works employees and the possible liability; after the discussion the Commission decided against the offer from the school.

Dana Greatrex, Burns Sci-Tech Charter School, stated the school is always looking to strengthen partnership with the City and is hoping this could somehow benefit the Public Works employees; and she urged the Commission to reconsider.

The Commission instructed the City Clerk to confer with the City Attorney and put the subject of the School grounds maintenance on the Workshop scheduled for July 23rd at 5PM.

Vicki Morgan, Indian Harbor Estates, stated she is concerned with the liability, the City's time and the use of pesticides on the School property and suggested the public works could do the maintenance on their own time.

J. OLD BUSINESS

1. Public Works Building – Commissioner Engele

Commissioner Engele informed the Commission that he had asked several companies to estimate a price per square foot for the future Public Works building. The prices he was given vary from \$20 - \$50 per square foot; putting the cost of the building much higher than anticipated.

2. Annexations – Commissioner Engele

Commission Engele inquired about the current status of future annexations.

The City Planner explained at this time there are no properties qualified for a Interlocal Agreement and without water and sewer they will not entertain any type of aggressive annexations. The only option at this time is voluntary annexations.

The Commission after some discussion agreed the need for annexations is important to the growth of the City and all avenues should be explored.

Commissioner Bittle asked for Voluntary Annexation to be placed on the next Commission Meeting Agenda.

K. BOARDS & COMMITTEES

EZDA (Enterprise Zone Development Agency)
Economic Development Board
Waterfront Committee

Robert Livingston, Galbraith Avenue, stated the Waterfront Committee is in need of new members.

PLDRC (Planning & Land Development Regulation Commission)
Parks and Recreational Advisory Board
Historical Preservation Board

L. COMMENTS/CONCERNS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

The City Planner informed Commissioner Bittle that the subject of Nancy Cummings playground equipment and the use of a County qualified contractor will be heard by the County Council on Thursday July 12th.

Commissioner Gibson inquired about the ditch at Nancy Cummings Park and whose responsibility it is to clean it up.

Commissioner Engele stated he would find out who is responsible.

Commissioner Gibson inquired if we had heard anything further in reference to the money owed to FEMA.

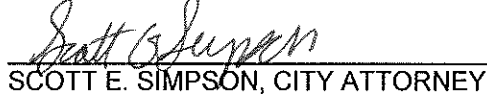
The City Planner will contact Mr. Booker, John Mica's aide and bring the findings to the next Commission Meeting.

M. ADJOURNMENT – 7:45PM


MARY LEE COOK, MAYOR

ATTEST: 
KOHN EVANS, CITY CLERK

APPROVED FOR LEGALITY AND FORM:


SCOTT E. SIMPSON, CITY ATTORNEY

Note: In accordance with Resolution 2006-17, a three (3) minute time limitation per speaker will be imposed. A speaker may address the Commission for a maximum of three (3) minutes during the Public Participation portion of the meeting, and for a maximum of three (3) minutes during any specific Agenda topic. Pursuant to Florida Statute 166.041 (3) (A), if an individual decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, that individual will need a record of the proceedings and will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made.