



City of Deltona

2345 Providence Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Minutes

City Commission Workshop

Monday, February 22, 2016

5:30 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Masiarczyk.

2. ROLL CALL – CITY CLERK:

Present: 7 - Commissioner Herzberg
Commissioner Honaker
Commissioner Schleicher
Commissioner Smith
Commissioner Soukup
Vice Mayor Nabicht
Mayor Masiarczyk

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

The City Commission and staff said the pledge to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: – Citizen comments limited to items not on the agenda and comments on items listed on the agenda will take place after discussion of each item.

Mayor Masiarczyk opened and closed the meeting for public comments as there were none.

4. BUSINESS:

A. Discussion - Lake McGarity Special Taxing District. - Becky Vose, Legal Department, (407) 448-0111.

Strategic Goal: Public Safety

The Commission and staff discussed the Municipal Service Benefit Unit (MSBU) vote, residents facing hardship due to the special tax, needing 100% of residents around the lake to vote for carp in the lake and only 99% voting yes, the cost difference of spraying more herbicide instead of placing carp in the lake, the cost of the first and subsequent years of the tax to residents and the effectiveness of the herbicide.

Mayor Masiarczyk opened the meeting for public comment.

Former Vice Mayor Treusch, 1450 Fort Smith Blvd., Deltona, stated he had a problem

with the special taxing district because he did not think it was a good idea and presented the Commission with pictures of his property. Mr. Treusch spoke about the water level on the lake, trees growing where the lake is supposed to be, many people not being able to pay the extra tax, being harassed by the petitioners and places where Hydrilla has been introduced.

The Commission and staff discussed residents petitioning for signatures, the first year assessment being \$487.80, hardships due to the tax, increasing the percentage of votes needed to pass the special taxing district and the process of getting the special taxing district.

Roger Bennett, 1326 Portillo Drive, Deltona, spoke about the Hydrilla levels, fishing in the lake, the water level of the lake, the property being lake front and that a lot of the residents would like to see the lake cleaned up.

The Commission and staff discussed waiting until the Fall to start the process, the petitioning residents following the process, not introducing the carp to the lake, removing the special taxing district in the future and adjusting the policy to increase the number of residents in the special taxing district who are in favor of it to more than the 51% in order for it to pass.

Barbie Lant, City Liaison for the Lake McGarity project, spoke about the individuals that did not respond to the notifications, many homes being rental homes and that she personally petitioned many of the residents in the taxing district area.

The Commission and staff discussed the Big Lake taxing district, changing the percentage of petitions required who are in favor of the taxing district for future taxing districts, the value of the homes on the lake and the City being reimbursed for the chemical treatment of the lake.

B. Discussion and review of future sidewalk installations for collector roads and within one mile of elementary schools as previously discussed in the transportation workshop. - Gerald Chancellor, Public Works Director (386) 878-8998.

Strategic Goal: Infrastructure - expansion of available sidewalks to make Deltona a more sustainable community.

Public Works Director Gerald Chancellor stated the sidewalks to schools have not changed since December and that work is proceeding on that project. He explained that staff has looked at all the collector roads that do not have completed sidewalks and has determined it would be approximately one (1) million dollars to complete the collector roadways. He stated that over this year and next year the City would spend approximately two (2) million dollars on collector roads and roads for schools. He stated about 25-30% of children in the United States are bussed to schools, 50% are driven in vehicles and 15-20 % walk to school.

The Commission and staff discussed Tivoli Drive, the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), receiving money for trails from the TPO, the feasibility study for the Providence Blvd. trail, the City's trail program, pedestrian and bicycle injuries where there are no sidewalks, sidewalk grants, sidewalks to community mailboxes, how staff estimated the foot traffic data, parks, County roads that need sidewalks, installing sidewalks even if the residents do not want them and getting information from the school board on the amount of children who walk to school.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to move forward with the sidewalk installations.

C. Review of possible ordinance regulating materials - Becky Vose, Legal Department (407) 448-0111.

Strategic Goal: Public Safety

The Commission and staff discussed previous ordinances that regulated solicited and unsolicited materials, the ordinance being enforced, violators being sent to the Special Magistrate or court, violating the ordinance being an arrestable offense, the carrier being the one who gets in trouble for leaving the unsolicited materials and door hangers.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to remove the section about multiple door hangers.

The Commission discussed door hangers and beautification.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to allow door hangers, but not allow materials thrown in the driveway.

The Commission discussed enforcement of the ordinance, who to fine and the times when door hangers are allowed to be placed on a door.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to allow door hangers to be placed from dusk to dawn.

D. Discussion - Ordinance No. 09-2015, Amending Section 110-806, Fences, Walls & Hedges, of the City's Land Development Code. - Chris Bowley, Planning and Development Services, (386) 878-8602.

Strategic Goal: Public Safety; Focus on the City's Beautification Program.

Planning and Development Services Director Chris Bowley explained that the Ordinance Review Committee had reviewed Ordinance No. 09-2015 and the changes the Committee recommended.

The Commission discussed agricultural fencing and perimeter fencing.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to add "perimeter" to Section 1 (d) (2) of Ordinance No. 09-2015.

The Commission and staff discussed the height of fencing in front yards, variances, side street accessory structures, hedges, bushes, trimming of trees and fences on lakes and golf courses.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to move Ordinance No. 09-2015 forward to a public hearing.

Commissioner Smith stated she wanted to discuss the Casey property.

The Commission discussed the Casey property, Howland Boulevard being the gateway to the City, what will be placed on the Casey property, the Sunshine Law, a survey of current City properties, the next step on the Casey property and residents' perception of City spending.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to schedule a workshop to discuss the strategic plan.

The Commission discussed "See Something Say Something" and an e-cigarette ordinance being drafted by the City Attorney.

5. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

City Manager Shang stated that everyone got a packet about the outreach program for trash and she asked the Commission for approval to move forward.

The Commission concurred to move forward with the trash outreach program.

City Manager Shang stated that she hoped that everyone was able to view the downstairs renovations.

The Commission spoke about the downstairs renovation and the basketball league.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Karissa Cook, Administrative Assistant II