

REVISED FEBRUARY 24, 2015

**CITY OF DELTONA, FLORIDA
CITY COMMISSION 2015 RETREAT
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2015**

A Workshop Meeting of the Deltona City Commission was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2015 in the City of Deltona's 2nd Floor Conference Room at 2345 Providence Blvd., Deltona, Florida.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor John Masiarczyk.

2. ROLL CALL:

Mayor	John Masiarczyk	Present
Vice Mayor	Nancy Schleicher	Present
Commissioner	Heidi Herzberg	Present
Commissioner	Mitch Honaker	Present
Commissioner	Chris Nabicht	Present
Commissioner	Diane Smith	Present
Commissioner	Brian Soukup	Present
Acting City Manager	Dale Baker	Absent (Excused)
City Attorney	Becky Vose	Present

Also Present: Economic Development Manager Jerry Mayes and Acting Deputy City Manager Gerald Chancellor.

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

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

Mayor Masiarczyk opened the meeting for public comment.

Rafael A. Ramirez, Vice President of the Deltona Business Association, (address to be determined (TBD)) stated that he wanted to introduce the newly formed Association, he introduced the Director Larry Kent, Secretary Denise White and he stated the purpose and goals of the Association.

Denise White, Secretary of the Deltona Business Association, (address TBD) resident and business owner, stated that the Deltona Business Association will hold a meet and greet at the library February 20, 2015 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m., that Council Member Fred Lowry would be in attendance and that there will be light hors d'oeuvres from Deltona restaurants. She stated that the Association is attempting to get its non-for profit certificate so that the association can help the depilated plazas and business owners.

John Wannamaker, 2015 Team Volusia Chair, stated that Team Volusia is going to Tallahassee and he would like to give an update to the Commission when he returns.

The Commission concurred to put a Team Volusia update by John Wannamaker on an Agenda.

Mayor Masiarczyk closed the meeting for public comment.

4. BUSINESS:

Mayor Masiarczyk stated this is a working workshop and he went around the room with each Commissioner stating what goals each of them would like to work on or any particular area of concern to discuss over the next year, 2015.

• Identification of Strategic Issues for Each Commissioner

Vice Mayor Schleicher:

- Commission Operating Procedures
- Implementing citizen groups
- Reviewing ordinances and regulations
- Evaluating Team Volusia
- Economic Development – Activity Center

Commissioner Honaker passed out a list of “Commission Discussion Topics” which included the following topics:

- Commission Operating Procedures
- Strategic Plan
- Updating transportation goals
- Moving Public Works
- Moving Keysville Dog Park
- Expanding sports options for youth
 - Creating an aquatic or fun center
- Not selling Dupont Lakes Park
- Commerce Park
- Designating an Economic Development Center
- Establishing a board to review Ordinances
- Senior housing

Commissioner Smith:

- Economic Development
 - Assigning staff the ability to start negotiations
- Strategic Plan
- Echo-Tourism
- Implementing a legislative platform
 - Lobbyist
- Youth and adult recreation and activities

Commissioner Herzberg:

- Strategic Plan
- Evaluating Deltona’s Lobbyist firm
- Creating a senior center/Using the Jablonski trust funds
- Projects for Representative Santiago

- Legislative priorities
- Looking at the 120 acres project
- Water issues
- Partnering with surrounding Cities and Volusia County to establish an animal holding/impound facility
- Participating in Ethics Training

Commissioner Soukup:

- City Hall enhancements/beautification
 - Light poles
 - Sidewalks
- Hiring a grant writer
- Educating the Community/Vocational Education Center
- Creating/Establishing a banquet facility
- Utilizing Lake Monroe
 - Ecotourism
- Quality athletic programs in schools
- Stadium – Howland Blvd.
 - Echo-grant
 - Assign the project to staff
- Sports Tourism

Commissioner Nabicht:

- Transportation
 - \$800,000 which is earmarked and expires in May, 2015
 - Assigning staff to write a letter to Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)
 - Assigning staff to work with the City of Edgewater
- Bringing extension from I-95 to 415
- Having a meeting to figure out what message the City of Deltona wants to send to The Florida Department of Transportation
 - Water retention areas on Saxon Blvd.
 - Managed lanes moved to the Rhode Island extension
- Transportation Sales Tax
- Health Care Costs for employees
 - Re-establishing the Employee Health Care Committee
 - Bid out health care
 - Partner with Halifax Health and Florida Hospital for an employee clinic
- Big Lake Clean up
 - Creating a special taxing district
 - Annual cost and maintenance for the clean up
- Senior Center
 - Partnering with Halifax Health and Florida Hospital to build a senior center
 - Possible locations for a senior center
- Florida Public Utilities
 - Expanding the natural gas into commercial areas
 - Expanding service into activity center (loop system)

- Fire based transport Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) designation
- Action item list by Acting City Manager

The Commission discussed writing a letter to the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), the Saxon Blvd. and 1-4 intersection, the Volusia League of Cities (VLOC) Dinner, locations for a temporary senior center, creating an action item list, surplus land and real estate inventory.

Mayor Masiarczyk explained the topics that Acting City Manager Dale Baker had provided to him in his absence:

- Request for Proposals (RFP) which is the next step for the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) – Results and cost

The Commission concurred to move forward with the RFP process for a CRA.

- Trap, Neuter and Return (TNR) Meeting on January 29, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.

The Commission concurred to move forward with the Trap, Neuter Return Meeting on January 29, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

- Input on a Senior Center
 - Report to Council on Aging

The Commission concurred to have a discussion with Acting City Manager Dale Baker on a senior center added to an agenda.

- Moving Keysville Dog Park
- League of Cities Dinner
 - Location
 - Guest speaker
 - Menu
 - Agenda

The Commission discussed locations for the League of Cities dinner, the need for a banquet facility, serving alcohol in the Commission Chambers and changing policy to allow alcohol in the Commission Chambers.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to have the Acting City Manager look into the policy to allow alcohol in the Commission Chambers.

- Proposal for Community Vision with Marilyn Crotty

The Commission discussed the length of the proposed meeting with Marilyn Crotty being tentatively 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and a tentative date.

Mayor Masiarczyk called for a recess at 6:09 p.m.

Mayor Masiarczyk reconvened the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

The Commission discussed partnering with Paul Stakeo with Stand United who is trying to raise money for shows and events to promote putting the City's youth first and educating the youth on drugs, crime and bullying. Also, the conflict the program may cause with Nick Pizza's Deltona Against Bullying program.

The commission concurred to not partner with Stand United.

Mayor Masiarczyk:

- Economic Development
 - Building
 - The construction of an eight (8) inch meter line loop costing \$230,000
 - Elkcarn Blvd./Providence Blvd. North to the County's property
 - Proposed physical fitness center
 - Having the attorney create a pioneer agreement
 - Building water and sewer lines

The Commission discussed writing a pioneer agreement for running an eight (8) inch meter line, installing gas lines, and having the County serve the proposed physical fitness center and creating an overlay and creating a strategic plan.

- Project Horizon
 - Staff contacting Mr. Fair and reporting back to the Commission
 - Establishing a timeline for staff to report back to the Commission
 - City Attorney and Economic Development Manager Jerry Mayes working to find out more information

The Commission and staff discussed the cost of the property targeted for Project Horizon, making the acreage an industrial park, staff negotiating with Mr. Fair, what the options are, and creating a timeline for staff to report back to the Commission.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to let Economic Development Manager Jerry Mayes move forward with preliminary discussions for Project Horizon.

- Building use by non-profits
 - Policy and involvement
 - Firmer commitment
 - Performing a cost analysis

The Commission discussed the policy for non-profits, performing a cost analysis, waiving of fees, setting a new facility fee schedule, and the cost of running the facilities.

After Discussion, the Commission concurred to charge a set fee regardless of for profit or non-profit status, to abide by the cost analysis/fees provided by the Parks & Recreation Department, for the City to charge fees to only cover its costs, and to not waive fees for "any" organization regardless of for profit or non-profit status.

- Doing more things
 - Spending money
 - Thinking out of box
 - Working on one project per year
 - Flag box
 - Creating/Doing new things
 - Building a stadium
 - Installing gas lines

The Commission discussed promoting what the City currently has and Dr. Marbut's homeless study.

Mayor Masiarczyk passed out an e-mail from Ed Connor with the Volusia Tax Reform.

- County wide round table
 - Homeless issue
 - Cities wanting to take the beaches back
 - Send water questions to County Councilman Doug Daniels
- Transportation
 - I-4 Transition
 - Rhode Island Overpass

Mayor Masiarczyk asked the Commission that Commissioner Herzberg be the alternate for Mayor Masiarczyk for the Elected Official Roundtable and the Commission concurred.

The Commission discussed homelessness and the homeless shelter plans for Daytona Beach, Florida.

- Regulation on nonprofits
 - Block parties
 - Fees being too high
 - Establishing a Committee for ordinance review

The Commission discussed the cost for events, event permits and establishing a Committee for ordinance review and the Commission concurred to establish a Committee for ordinance review.

- Events
 - Decorating City Hall for Christmas
 - Moving the Christmas Parade back to Howland Blvd.
 - Working on a large facility
 - Deputy Stowe creating a light display at City Hall for Christmas

After Discussion, the Commission concurred to have Deputy Stowe give the City an estimate on the cost to create a light display at City Hall for the Holidays.

- Moving the Christmas Parade back to Providence Blvd.
 - Building sidewalks on both sides of Providence Blvd.
 - Erecting streetlamps on Providence Blvd.
 - Coordinating Santa's North Pole and the Christmas Parade
 - Moving the parade by City Hall
 - Promoting and Marketing events
- Hanging banners
- Dressing up the front of City Hall
- Giving employees clear direction
 - Encouraging employees
- Being business friendly
- All requests for funds that are not budgeted need to be sent to service agencies
- Do not scrutinize department manager about coffee, water, etc., visitors
- Bereavement Policy
 - Recognize family
 - City Manager setting policy

The Commission and staff discussed moving the Christmas Parade back to Providence Blvd., the safety issues of the parade being on Providence Blvd., coordinating both the Santa's North Pole and Christmas Parade, Christmas decorations, creating a light and music show at City Hall, installing concrete poles to hang banners from and buying new holiday banners, the criticisms not reflecting staff, the harassment some of the staff receives from residents, budgeting money for funds that are not budgeted for, supplying items like coffee and water for visitors and meetings, changing the bereavement policy, and donating funds in lieu of flowers for the bereavement policy.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to have the Acting City manager review the bereavement policy.

The Commission discussed shortening the list of strategic issues, not covering the operating guidelines for the Commission, the Brazilian Soccer Team Fluminense being at Dewey O. Booster Sports Complex at 9:00 a.m. on Friday morning, showing the Deltona High School's basketball team support, promoting things that are happening in Deltona, establishing a community calendar, asking staff for its input, and the topic for the January 26th Commission workshop meeting.

After discussion, the Commission concurred to have John Wannamaker make a presentation and update on economic development at the Commission Workshop to be held on January 26th, 2015.

The Commission and staff discussed putting both the Chicken ordinance and semi-truck parking issues on a workshop, supporting the final decision the Commission makes, Robert's Rules of Order, the bereavement policy, and the Martin Luther King Breakfast.

Mr. Larry Kent, 235 River Village Drive, Debary, stated that he had issues that he wanted the Commission to discuss with the lobbyist.

Mayor Masiarczyk asked him to send the issues to the Commission.

5. **CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:** None.

6. **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Karissa Cook, Administrative Assistant