

MINUTES

ON MAY 3, 2021 THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL HELD THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING VIA CONFERENCE CALL TO PHONE # 1-978-990-5457 AND USING CODE: 6976820. PRESIDING OVER THE MEETING WAS MAYOR WILLIAM JOHNSON. ALSO PRESENT FOR THE MEETING WERE COUNCILPERSONS LEANNE TROUTMAN, CYNTHIA FULLER (VIA PHONE), DAVID BARBER, AND GEORGE SUMMERSON. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY MAYOR JOHNSON. THE INVOCATION WAS GIVEN BY MAYOR JOHNSON. MAYOR JOHNSON THEN READ THE ITEMS ON THE PROPOSED AGENDA. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILPERSON TROUTMAN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS READ. COUNCILPERSON SUMMERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. COUNCILPERSON TROUTMAN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 2021 MEETING. COUNCILPERSON SUMMERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

MAYOR JOHNSON STATED THAT THERE HAS NOT BEEN MUCH CHANGE IN THE COVID 19 NUMBERS FOR THE HOLLY HILL AREA. MAYOR JOHNSON ASKED FOR A MOTION TO EXTEND THE FACE COVERING ORDINANCE FOR ANOTHER 60 DAYS. COUNCILPERSON FULLER MADE A MOTION TO EXTEND THE FACE COVERING ORDINANCE FOR ANOTHER 60 DAYS. MAYOR JOHNSON SECONDED THE MOTION. COUNCILPERSON SUMMERSON VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. COUNCILPERSONS TROUTMAN AND BARBER OPPOSED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED BASED ON

MAJORITY VOTE. THE EXTENDED FACE COVERING ORDINANCE WILL EXPIRE ON JULY 2, 2021. MAYOR JOHNSON THEN STATED THAT HE HAS NOT NOTICED ANY MISUSE OR HAD ANY COMPLAINTS SINCE THE TOWN OPENED THE PARKS BACK UP TO THE PUBLIC. MAYOR JOHNSON ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE THOUGHT THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT MORE USE OF THE PARKS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT WERE ANTICIPATING THEIR OPENING. MAYOR JOHNSON ANNOUNCED THE TOWN IS STILL NOT READY TO MAKE A DECISION ON OPENING THE PUBLIC VENUES BUT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL MEET AGAIN AROUND THE 17TH TO DISCUSS GUIDELINES SUITABLE TO ALLOW THE REOPENING OF THE VENUES. MAYOR JOHNSON ANNOUNCED THE TOWN IS STILL WAITING ON THE SEWER INFILTRATION PROJECT SUMMARY TO COME THIS WEEK OF HOW TO ADD CAPACITY TO OUR SYSTEM. MAYOR JOHNSON THEN ANNOUNCED THE TOWN IS TAKING STEPS TO CLEAN OUT THE OLD TOWN HALL BUILDING SO THE CHOICE CAN BE MADE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF THE BUILDING. MAYOR JOHNSON STATED THE FIRST STEP IS GOING TO BE GETTING THE OLD MATERIAL THAT IS STORED INSIDE SHREDDED AND DISCARDED PROPERLY. HE STATED THIS IS GOING TO TAKE AT LEAST A FEW WEEKS. MAYOR JOHNSON STATED THE WORK TO MAKE THE BUILDING AT THE CORNER OF GARDNER AND OLD STATE SAFE FOR THE GARDNER BOULEVARD PROJECT SHOULD BEGIN TOMORROW. ONCE THE BUILDING IS SAFE, IT WILL BE ABOUT ANOTHER TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE CONTRACTOR BEGINS THE WORK ON THE ROAD. MAYOR

JOHNSON THEN STATED THAT LITTER CONTROL CONTINUES TO BE AN ISSUE. MAYOR JOHNSON ANNOUNCED THAT SGT. POWELL HAS RESIGNED FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. A NEW OFFICER HAS BEEN HIRED AND MAYOR JOHNSON IS HOPEFUL THAT THE NEW OFFICER WILL TAKE OVER THE LITTER CONTROL DUTIES. MAYOR JOHNSON STATED THE CITIZENS' EFFORTS IN PICKING UP LITTER AROUND TOWN ARE MUCH APPRECIATED AND ARE IMPROVING THE LITTER ISSUES, HOWEVER, THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CASES ARE CONTINUING TO BE A PROBLEM. MAYOR JOHNSON THEN ANNOUNCED TOWN CLERK, PAM HYMAN, IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON GETTING THE YTD BUDGET NUMBERS AND WILL HOPEFULLY HAVE THEM BY NEXT MONTH'S COUNCIL MEETING.

IN NEW BUSINESS, MAYOR JOHNSON STATED THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF ACTIVITY IN TOWN LATELY INVOLVING BUILDING PERMITS AND BUSINESS LICENSES. MAYOR JOHNSON SUGGESTED IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT A PERMIT OR LICENSE IS REQUIRED, YOU SHOULD CONTACT TOWN HALL FIRST AND ASK FOR THE ZONING ORDINANCES REGARDING THE WORK THAT IS BEING DONE. TOWN CLERK, PAM HYMAN THEN READ ALOUD A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE 2020 HOLLY HILL ACADEMY SCISA 8-MAN STATE CHAMPION FOOTBALL TEAM. COUNCILPERSON BARBER MADE A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PROCLAMATION. COUNCILPERSON SUMMERSON SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION. MAYOR JOHNSON THEN ADDED A

HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM ON THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENT.

IN THE ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT, TOWN CLERK HYMAN ADVISED THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL THAT ASSISTANT CLERK, SHAE FOX RESIGNED FROM HER POSITION. HYMAN STATED SHE WILL PLACE AN AD FOR THE ASSISTANT CLERK POSITION THIS WEEK AND WILL RUN THE AD FOR 15 DAYS.

IN PARKS AND RECREATION, COUNCILPERSON FULLER STATED THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT AT THIS TIME.

IN THE AIRPORT DEPARTMENT, COUNCILPERSON BARBER STATED THE GROUNDS UPKEEP LOOKS GOOD. HE THEN ANNOUNCED THE FLY-IN THAT WAS HELD ON APRIL 11, 2021 WAS, UNFORTUNATELY, NOT WELL ATTENDED.

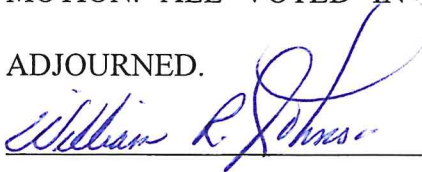
IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, CHIEF DETTER SHARED THE MONTHLY STATISTICS REPORT WITH THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE. CHIEF DETTER ADVISED THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL THAT HE IS STILL WAITING TO HEAR AN UPDATE FROM THE USDA POLICE CAR GRANT APPLICATION. CHIEF DETTER ANNOUNCED TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL THAT MO RIZK HAS BEEN HIRED TO FILL THE VACANT POLICE OFFICER POSITION. COUNCILPERSONS TROUTMAN AND BARBER STATED TO THE CHIEF THAT THE LOUD RADIO NOISE IN THE RESIDENTIAL AREAS CONTINUES TO BE A CONCERN.

IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, FRANK BROWN REPORTED EVERYTHING IS RUNNING ROUTINELY AROUND THE TREATMENT PLANT. HE STATED THERE IS CURRENTLY A DEAD PINE TREE IN THE DOG PARK AND THE SAME BUGS THAT KILLED THAT TREE ARE KILLING TWO MORE. MR. BROWN STATED THEY WILL BE REMOVED ON JUNE 1, 2021. MR. BROWN THEN ADVISED THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL THAT HE IS CURRENTLY LOOKING AT A DRAINAGE PROBLEM AT GILMORE PARK. HE STATED THE WATER IN THE PARK IS STANDING TOO LONG AND CREATING EXCESSIVELY DAMP CONDITIONS. MR. BROWN ALSO STATED THE TOWN IS LOOKING INTO GETTING RID OF A NUMBER OF BEAVER DAMS IN HOME BRANCH. MR. BROWN CONCLUDED BY ANNOUNCING MOSQUITO SPRAYING IS BEING DONE ONCE A WEEK IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS. HE ADDED THAT THE SPRAY BEING USED KILLS THE LARVA AND NOT THE ACTUAL MOSQUITO.

BEING NOTHING FURTHER ON THE AGENDA, THE FLOOR WAS OPENED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

THERE WAS NO EXECUTIVE SESSION SCHEDULED FOR THIS MEETING.

BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, COUNCILPERSON TROUTMAN MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COUNCILPERSON BARBER SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED.



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