

MINUTES

VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA

REGULAR MEETING



JULY 9, 2015

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Abby Brennan at 6:00 p.m. A roll call was taken by Clerk Lori McWilliams. Present were: Mayor Abby Brennan, Vice Mayor Vince Arena, Council Member Steve Okun, Council Member Tom Paterno and Council Member Frank D'Ambra.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Paterno encouraged one another to share kind deeds, and then led the meeting with the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: *Council Member D'Ambra moved approval of the agenda; seconded by Council Member Okun; motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Paterno asked that item eight be pulled.

MOTION: *Council Member Okun moved approval of the agenda as modified; seconded by Council Member D'Ambra; motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

1. MINUTES: 5/14/15 Regular Council meeting
2. Approval of Contracts Signed by Manager Under \$25,000 (Per Village Ordinance we are presenting the following agreements, proposals, commitments and memorandum of understanding to Council.)
3. Approve Appointment of Kathy Greene to the Historic Preservation Committee
4. Approve Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
5. Approve Setting the Proposed Ad Valorem Millage Rate for the Village of Tequesta for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 at a rate of 6.2920 Mills per \$1,000.00 of assessed value and setting the Budget Public Hearings as follows: September

10, 2015 - 6:00 p.m. - Approve Tentative Budget; and September 17, 2015 5:01 p.m. - Approve Final Budget

6. RESOLUTION 54-15, AMENDING THE RESOLUTION 24-15 OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, FLORIDA, AND AUTHORIZING PIGGYBACKING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN ODYSSEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY AND THE CITY OF WEST PALM BEACH FOR THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE AT THE CORRECTED PRICE OF \$.655 PER GALLON
7. RESOLUTION 55-15, A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE REFUSE, RECYCLING AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION RATES FOR F/Y/E SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

8. RESOLUTION 57-15 APPROPRIATING THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE IN THE GENERAL FUND #001 AND INCREASING THE GENERAL BUDGET FUND 2014-2015 BUDGET BY \$21,335.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2015 CHEVROLET PICKUP TRUCK FROM ALAN JAY FLEET SALES IN THAT AMOUNT

Council Member Paterno questioned building of funds versus utilization of them. Ms. JoAnn Forsythe, Finance Director, explained that the funds could only be utilized for specific enforcement of building code, and that the State could stop the Village from collecting permit fees, and/or return permit dollars if they felt there was too much accumulation. Mayor Brennan voiced her concern for the recent adjustment to the fees and felt it occurred without Council having this knowledge and understanding.

Ms. Forsythe clarified that fund 150 was separated from 180, and explained how the funds could be spent. Manager Couzzo offered to prepare a report that would clarify the Village's procedure concerning the life span and utilization of vehicles.

Consensus of Council was that Resolution 57-15 be tabled until the August 3, 2015 workshop.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS

There were none.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL

Council Member Paterno voiced his budget concerns including the intention to hire eight new employees. He felt a tax increase would be necessary to fulfill current budgetary requests.

Council Member D'Ambra believed the Village had functioned very lean for too long and new hires were necessary to maintain the level of service.

Vice Mayor Arena commended the police on their recent Officer of the Year Awards event.

Mayor Brennan offered a summary of workshop and budget dates.

STANDING REPORTS

Village Attorney

Attorney Davis offered status updates on the following:

- 414 Cypress Drive foreclosure
- Jupiter Inlet Colony agreement extension
- Budget Car rental status
- Tequesta Shopping Center infractions and ongoing solutions

Village Manager

Manager Couzzo reported on key items such as:

- Sale of Seabrook Road property
- The Village's ISO (International Organization of Standardization) Class rating was a three
- Budget synopsis
- Proposed budget increase of fifteen percent to accommodate a possible health insurance adjustment

REGULAR AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

9. ORDINANCE 13-15, SECOND READING, AMENDING ITS CODE OF ORDINANCES AT CHAPTER 78. ZONING. SECTION 78-784. DESIGNATION. REVISING THE TERMINOLOGY OF "DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT" AND REPLACING IT WITH "BUILDING OFFICIAL"; PROVIDING THAT EACH AND EVERY OTHER SECTION AND SUBSECTION OF CHAPTER 78. ZONING

Attorney Davis read Ordinance 13-15 title into the record.

Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing to Council for comments; there being none she opened the hearing to the public. There being no public comment the public hearing was closed.

MOTION: *Council Member D'Ambra moved approval of Ordinance 13-15; seconded by Council Member Paterno; motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

NEW BUSINESS

10. ORDINANCE 2-15, FIRST READING, PROVIDING AN INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR VILLAGE COUNCIL MEMBERS; PROVIDING THAT SAID SALARY INCREASE SHALL NOT BE EFFECTIVE DURING THE CURRENT TERM OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.01 OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA CHARTER

Attorney Davis read Ordinance 2-15 title into the record.

Council Member D'Ambra stated that Council salaries had not increased in 17 years. Council Member Paterno felt that the item should be reviewed through the Village Charter, with residents input involved.

Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing for public comments; there being none she closed the hearing.

MOTION: *Council Member D'Ambra moved approval of Ordinance 2-15; seconded by Vice Mayor Arena; motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Paterno opposed.*

11. RESOLUTION 16-15 LAND DEVELOPMENT FEES UPDATE: A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A REVISED LAND DEVELOPMENT FEE SCHEDULE AS PROVIDED BY SEC. 62-181 OF THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING THAT THIS SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AT ALL TIMES AT THE VILLAGE HALL DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF THIS SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES IN APPENDIX D. OF THE VILLAGE'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attorney Davis read Resolution 16-15 title into the record.

Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing to Council for comments; there being none she opened the hearing to the public. There being no public comment the public hearing was

closed.

MOTION: *Council Member D'Ambra moved approval of Resolution 16-15; seconded by Council Member Paterno; motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

12. ORDINANCE 15-15, SECOND READING, AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF TEQUESTA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE VILLAGE CODE OF ORDINANCES AT CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION. BY AMENDING SECTION 2-61. PENSION TRUST FUNDS, EXHIBIT B, THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS' PENSION TRUST FUND, ADOPTING REVISIONS TO INCORPORATE PROVISIONS OF THE RECENTLY NEGOTIATED AND APPROVED FIREFIGHTERS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT; PROVIDING THAT EACH AND EVERY OTHER SECTION AND SUBSECTION OF CHAPTER 2. SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS PREVIOUSLY ENACTED; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Attorney Davis read Ordinance 15-15 title into the record.

Council Member Paterno asked that the following changes be clarified:

- Definition of Salary
- Multiplier
- Normal retirement date
- Vesting

Attorney Davis explained the history and details of the changes.

Mayor Brennan opened the public hearing for public comments; there being none she closed the hearing.

MOTION: *Council Member Okun moved approval of Ordinance 15-15; seconded by Vice Mayor Arena; motion carried unanimously 5-0.*

ANY OTHER MATTERS

Council Member Paterno questioned the progress of the Village's three year budget plan, and asked that a plan projection be prepared. Mayor Brennan suggested the three year plan, Seabrook property value and sale, and Paradise Park be discussed at an upcoming workshop.

Manager Couzzo explained that much analysis was needed for any comprehensive plan and cautioned Council that focus on the three year portion of the Village's financial plan was only a small piece of the financial puzzle, and could not answer all questions and concerns. Council discussed multiple budgetary scenarios.

ADJOURNMENT: *Council Member Okun moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Vice Mayor Arena. The motion to adjourn carried unanimously 5-0; therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,

Lori McWilliams, MMC
Village Clerk

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