

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rob Baldwin, followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers David Dumville, Mitchell Krach, John Pietrowski, and Wanda Schwerer; Mayor Rob Baldwin, City Manager Nancy Gonzalez, City Clerk Patricia Gentry, Finance Officer Melanie Kruszona, and Community Services Director Allen Godfrey. Vice Mayor Leslie Notaro, Councilmember Jeril Cohen, and City Attorney Paul Marino were unable to attend.

1. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Dumville and seconded by Councilmember Pietrowski to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed 5-0.

2. Approval of December 1, 2014, City Council Meeting Minutes.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Dumville and seconded by Councilmember Krach to approve the December 1, 2014, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion passed 5-0.

3. Citizens Comments. (Each speaker will be recognized once and will be limited to a (3) three minute presentation on any subject that is not on the Agenda)

Mr. Marvin Behm, Louisa Drive, spoke regarding rental homes and having them inspected by the City before they are rented. City Manager Gonzalez stated it had been discussed last year – including the possibility of discrimination; who would do the inspections as there is not enough City Staff to do that; and that it is not in the budget to hire someone to do inspections. She asked if there was any interest from Council in revisiting the question.

Regular Agenda:

4. Consideration of Adopting the Evaluation and Appraisal Letter for the City of Belleair Beach Comprehensive Plan; Stating the Intent of the City Council to Amend the Comprehensive Plan Based Upon Recommendations Contained in the Letter; And Approving Transmittal of the Letter to the Department of Economic Opportunity

in Accordance with Section 163.3191, Florida Statutes. (Laura Dedenbach) (see backup)

Ms. Laura Dedenbach, Dedenbach Planning Associates, reviewed the submittal of the letter of determination to the Department of Economic Opportunity.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Dumville and seconded by Councilmember Schwerer to Adopt the Evaluation and Appraisal Letter for the City of Belleair Beach Comprehensive Plan; Stating the Intent of the City Council to Amend the Comprehensive Plan Based Upon Recommendations Contained in the Letter; And Approving Transmittal of the Letter to the Department of Economic Opportunity in Accordance with Section 163.3191, Florida Statutes.

Motion passed 5-0.

5. Informational item: Tom Washburn, P.E., Manager, Traffic Engineering Section, Pinellas County Department of Environment & Infrastructure (DEI).

Mayor Baldwin stated that the two areas of concern mentioned at the last meeting were consistency of traffic wait times and traffic directional signs being laid down on the rights-of-way when construction was not in progress. He expressed his concern of the staging areas used by the County in regard to permissions and restoration after project completion.

Mr. Tom Washburn apologized that issues had come up that he did not hear about until after the fact. He advised that resurfacing is one of the largest programs the County has, and that the contractors are certified in MOT traffic control and the DOT requirements that they are required to follow. He stated that even though the County has the authority to lay down signs in the right-of-way, he understands that may not be the best practice in the community of Belleair Beach. He advised he would follow up with the project manager in regard to the staging areas. He stated they had always had a good relationship with the City, and if any issues come up in the future to contact him.

Mayor Baldwin stated there had been complaints regarding an oil spill at the Marina, but it wasn't known whose equipment had caused it; and a silt discharge caused by a dredging company. He asked Community Services Director Allen Godfrey to speak to those two issues.

Mr. Godfrey advised that the dredging was not done by Pinellas County, but a private company doing work for Dan's Island. He stated that Council had received the report from the Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue District that the oil spot reported at the Marina was a non-hazardous issue. It was unknown who or what caused the spot.

Mayor Baldwin stated it was good practice to have pre-construction meetings with the County and pictures of any staging areas before and after the work.

Mr. Washburn stated he appreciated the feedback for future projects. He also advised that the safety grant from the DOT for the signalization devices at the pedestrian islands and crossings had been approved.

6. Continued discussion on Building Services. (City Manager) (see backup)

City Manager Gonzalez advised that the proposed Agreement with M.T. Causley, Inc. had been discussed at the last meeting. A draft Agreement with Pinellas County was in the Agenda Packet for discussion at this meeting. The Agreement shows there are no additional costs to the City. If there were to be a variance request that cost would be paid by the applicant. The goal is to work with the homeowners, contractors, and engineers to eliminate the need for a variance.

Mr. Glenn Wardell, Pinellas County, stated that the only new item in the draft Agreement presented was the process for a variance. He stated the fees in the Agreement were the same, there was no change.

Councilmember Krach asked if this still allowed the City to collect the fees for the site plan reviews done by the City's engineers.

Mayor Baldwin explained that since the County had not been doing site plan reviews for the City, that in the past a noncompliant request would be sent to the City for a variance request. The independent site plan reviews now being done are to address any variance by not accepting any plans that do not comply – the plans will have to be revised.

Mayor Baldwin asked Mr. Wardell if the City could keep the current Agreement with the County. Mr. Wardell stated the City could stay with the current Agreement.

Consensus of Council was to have a worksession with M.T. Causley, Inc. on February 2, 2015, at 5:00pm.

Mayor Baldwin asked that Community Services Director Godfrey outline the City's and County's procedures and timelines for the worksession.

7. Discussion on registering certain contractors who do work in the city.

Mayor Baldwin stated this stemmed from concerns regarding work trucks blocking roads, etc. City Manager Gonzalez stated in the past only licensed contractors were required to register – not lawn maintenance, etc. She was unsure why it had been discontinued. Councilmember Krach stated that based on the backup in the agenda, the City could register contractors but could not charge a fee for registration. Registration would help to insure that

only licensed contractors could work in the City. It was agreed to discuss at the February meeting when the City Attorney would be in attendance. Mayor Baldwin stated the benefit would be to know if licensed contractors would be doing work in the City - but whether the City would want to take that on without reimbursement would be up for discussion.

8. Consideration of Resolution 2015-01, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Belleair Beach, Florida, Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Inoperable or Obsolete Equipment, Materials, and Supplies and Establishing an Effective Date. (Finance Officer) (see backup)

MOTION was made by Councilmember Schwerer and seconded by Councilmember Pietrowski for Resolution 2015-01.

Councilmember Dumville	Aye
Councilmember Krach	Aye
Councilmember Pietrowski	Aye
Councilmember Schwerer	Aye
Mayor Baldwin	Aye

Motion passed 5-0.

9. Mayor and Council Comments.

Councilmember Pietrowski had no further comments.

Councilmember Schwerer thanked Staff for a very successful 2014, and looked forward to a successful 2015.

Councilmember Krach had no further comments.

Councilmember Dumville had no further comments.

Mayor Baldwin had no further comments.

10. City Attorney Comments.

City Attorney Marino was not present.

11. City Manager Comments.

City Manager Gonzalez had no further comments.

ADJOURN

MOTION was made by Councilmember Krach to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed 5-0.

Date Approved

APPROVED: _____
Rob Baldwin, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Patricia A. Gentry, CMC, City Clerk