

**JUPITER INLET COLONY
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

Meeting ID: 5856288134 Password: 3787

08/10/2020

7:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order 7:00 PM, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call via Zoom.

Roll call for the record:

Mayor Daniel Comerford

Town Attorney William P. Doney

Vice-Mayor Milton Block

Chief of Police John Pruitt

Commissioner Michael Armato

Town Administer Kevin Lucas

Commissioner Richard Busto

Town Clerk Jude M. Goudreau

Commissioner Cindy Keim

Others in attendance: Approximately ten members of the community via ZOOM.

2. Public Comments: Doctor and Mrs. Jacobs of 16 Ocean Drive asked Commission to please consider passing an Ordinance for a uniformed landscape plan for oceanfront properties restricting excess planting that restricts neighbor's views.
3. Vote: to approve Consent Agenda
 - a. July 2020 General Operating Fund Budget Report and Financial Statements
 - b. Minutes from July 13, 2020, Regular Commission Meeting.
 - c. Cash Flow Report- Vice-Mayor

Motion: Vice Mayor Block made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Second: Commissioner Armato seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

4. Commission/Staff Reports

- a. Town Administrator- Mr. Lucas thanked staff and residents for their hard work and cooperation during the recent storm that was predicted to be a hurricane.
- b. Town Clerk-No Report
- c. Chief of Police- Chief Pruitt just returned from a week's vacation that was delayed by the storm. He thanked everyone for their cooperation in securing their homes and property.
- d. Code Enforcement-No Report
- e. Town Attorney-No Report
- f. Commissioners: Commissioner Busto said he echoed Chief's comments about the storm. Commissioner Keim thanked the Police Department for their hard work during the storm. She also said it's very comforting to know we have a police department out there meeting with the community. Mrs. Keim also inquired about the trees in Town that still have coconuts on them.
- g. Vice-Mayor: Vice Mayor Block reminded everyone to make sure they vote for the primary election on August 18, 2020, from 7 am until 7 pm at Town Hall. Vice

Mayor Block said he recently spoke with Peter Dewitt from the Bureau of Land Management, and they are making progress with the enforcement of the JILONA property.

- h. Mayor Comerford- The Mayor reminded everyone to vote on August 18, 2020, for the Primary Elections.

5. Discussion and Vote: Financing CSI Camera Equipment.

Mayor Comerford explained that when he reviewed the contract for the financing, there was a contract fee of \$495.00, along with a finance charge of \$4770.00 with an interest rate of 14.7% for two years, even if the balance was paid prior to the two-year agreement. The Mayor suggested paying for the camera equipment in full to save the Town over \$5200.00.

Motion: Commissioner Busto made a motion to pay for the camera equipment out of this year's Fiscal Budget instead of financing.

Second: Commissioner Keim Seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

6. Vote: First Reading Ordinance 05-2020

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER INLET COLONY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OFFENSES, SECTION 10-4 *PERMIT REQUIRED FOR FIRES* OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER INLET COLONY, FLORIDA IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PERMITS FOR FIRES AND BONFIRES WITHIN THE TOWN; PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion: Vice Mayor Block made a motion to un-table the Ordinance that was tabled at the last meeting.

Second: Commissioner Armato seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion: Attorney Bill Doney gave an overview of the new language and the Ordinance. Mayor Comerford said this Ordinance came to light because of a recent incident at a rental property where the tenant had large bonfires in the front yard.

Motion: Commissioner Busto made a motion to pass the Ordinance 05-2020 First Reading.

Second: Vice Mayor Block Seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0

7. Discussion: FY 2020-2021 Budget.

Mayor Comerford provided an overview of the proposed budget. There was a discussion regarding expenses, taxes, and revenues, raises, and insurance. The Department of Revenue announced a decrease in the amount of revenue sharing this year, which results in approximately \$15,000.00 less for the Town. The Millage rate will stay at 5.56 percent instead of the initial proposed 5.54 percent, resulting in approximately \$7,000.00 more in collected Ad Valorem Taxes. There will be a slight reduction in the emergency fund as a result. Mayor Comerford recently spoke with Gasper Taormina, who reminded him that the Town operates on a Cash Basis, and the Audit is performed on an Accrual Basis.

8. Announce: Upcoming Town Commission Meetings:

- Monday, September 14 at 7:00 PM – Special Town Commission Meeting – 1st Public Hearing on Budget and Taxes for FY 2020/2021
- Monday, September 14 (immediately following the Special Town Commission Meeting/Public Hearing) – Regular Town Commission Meeting
- Monday, September 28 at 7:00 PM – Special Town Commission Meeting – 2nd and Final Public Hearing on Budget and Taxes for FY 2020/2021

9. Wrap-up and Adjourn:

Motion: Vice Mayor Block made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM.

Second: Commissioner Keim seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

Approved by:

Mayor Daniel J. Comerford III

Date

Town Clerk Jude M. Goudreau

Date

STATE MANDATED STATEMENT

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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