

**JUPITER INLET COLONY
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

**LIVE
01.09.2023**

7:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Mayor Comerford Called the Meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Roll call for the record:

Mayor Daniel J. Comerford III
Vice-Mayor Milton Block
Commissioner Richard Busto
Commissioner Lisa Hines
Commissioner Marie Rosner

Chief of Police John Pruitt
Town Administrator Kevin Lucas
Town Attorney William P. Doney
Town Clerk Ivelisse Chico-Randazzo

Also present approximately 47 members of the Community.

2. **Presentation:** US1 Bridge Replacement Project, Angel Streeter Gardner

Angel Streeter Gardner presented a power point presentation on the US 1 Bridge Replacement project. Angel and her staff discussed in length what has been done so far and what will be happening soon. She did say that US 1 will be closed for 500 days beginning March 13, 2023. They have been working with and will continue to work with FDOT to help keep the flow of traffic moving during the closure of US 1. Angel stated that on February 14th there will be an open house held at Harbourside.

3. **Questions and Answers:**

Residents asked various questions regarding traffic patterns, the synchronization of the traffic lights and emergency vehicles getting through the traffic with the detours. The traffic lights and intersections will be monitored closely by the Traffic Management Center to help keep the flow of traffic moving safely. Updated information can be found through social media outlets and FDOT.gov.

4. **Public Comments:** None

5. **Vote:** to approve Consent Agenda

- a. December 2022 General Operating Fund Budget Report and Financial Statements
- b. Minutes from December 12, 2022, Regular Commission Meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Block made a motion to approve.

Second: Commissioner Rosner seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

6. **Commission/Staff Reports:**

- a. **Town Administrator-** No report
- b. **Town Clerk** – No report
- c. **Chief of Police-** Chief Pruitt reported that it was National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. The Town started the year with some crime. There was a stolen vehicle reported and an attempted stolen vehicle. Arrests were made and there may be more arrests coming. There was a drug offense arrest made. Chief Pruitt advised residents to keep vehicle doors locked and key fobs out of the vehicles.
- d. **Code Enforcement-** Mayor Comerford reported one incident which was regarding permits. No violations issued.
- e. **Town Attorney** –No Report
- f. **Commissioner Reports-** No Report
- g. **Vice-Mayor** – Vice Mayor Block reported that our finances have never been stronger and in the next few years the reserves will be up. The Town will have ready money in the event of a natural disaster. Vice Mayor Block thanked Commissioner Hines for her service to the Town.
- h. **Mayor's Report** – Mayor Comerford reported that the South walkway started to be disassembled and the North walkway will be disassembled once the South walkway is completed. Also addressed was a frequent question that is asked about the walkway, why isn't the work done when not in season. The work on the walkway cannot be done any other time due to turtle season. The Mayor congratulated the Social Committee and the Garden Club on the work they did with Caroling in the Park and the Holiday decoration contest.

7. **MAYOR'S ANNUAL STATE OF THE COLONY ADDRESS**

The Mayor welcomed and thanked all the residents that were in attendance. He thanked and recognized the Commissioners, especially Commissioner Hines for the work that she has done while on the Commission and her previous work as POA president and as member of the B&Z Committee. Mayor Comerford also thanked the Administration staff and the Police Department for the work they do. Mayor Comerford stated that his position as Mayor is a volunteer position as well as the Commissioners, he stressed that at some point, he will not be doing the job. He encouraged the residents to get involved in the committees to learn how the Town is governed and hopefully want to run for Commissioner.

8. **Commissioners Comments and Resident Q & A**

Tracy Siani made a statement saying she has been around for a long time and thanked the Commission for the work they do. Mr. Prosser asked the Commission if there is a strategy or long term plan on where the Town wants to be in the next 10 years. Vice Mayor Block replied that there is no grand strategy but rather a five-year plan for finances. The strategy has been to make improvements to the Town as they go along.

9. **Introduction of Commissioner Elect Mark Ciarfella**

Commissioner Elect Mark Ciarfella introduced himself to the residents and spoke a little about his background. He stated he is looking forward to serving the residents of Jupiter Inlet Colony.

10. **Vote: Second Reading: 2022-03**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF JUPITER INLET COLONY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 9 NUISANCES OF ITS CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CREATING A NEW SECTION 9-7.5 TROPICAL STORM PREPAREDNESS; SECURING PROPERTIES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE SECURING OF PROPERTIES IN THE EVENT OF A DECLARED TROPICAL STORM WATCH OR WARNING OR HURRICANE WATCH OR WARNING IN PALM BEACH COUNTY OR MARTIN COUNTY; PROVIDING AUTHORITY FOR THE TOWN TO ABATE A NUISANCE; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO IMPOSE A LIEN ON PROPERTY FOR THE COST OF ABATING SUCH A NUISANCE; PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO CODIFY, A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion: Commissioner Busto made a motion to approve.

Second: Vice Mayor Block seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

11. **Wrap-up and adjourn.**

Motion: Commissioner Busto made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Second: Commissioner Hines seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

Approved by:

Mayor Daniel J. Comerford III

Date

Town Clerk Ivelisse Chico-Randazzo

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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