

**JUPITER INLET COLONY
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

LIVE AND VIA ZOOM

Meeting ID 585 628 8134

08.08.2022

3:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Mayor Comerford Called the Meeting to order at 3:00 PM.

Roll call for the record:

Mayor Daniel J. Comerford III	Chief of Police John Pruitt
Vice-Mayor Milton Block	Town Administrator Kevin Lucas
Commissioner Richard Busto (absent)	Town Attorney William P. Doney
Commissioner Lisa Hines (via zoom)	Town Clerk Ivelisse Chico-Randazzo
Commissioner Marie Rosner	

Also present 3 members of the Community via zoom and in person

2. Presentation: Senator Bobby Powell – Legislative Update
Senator Powell stated this may be his last legislative update as our Senator due to the recent redistricting and his district moving a little bit South, but he will still be available for his friends at Jupiter Inlet Colony. Senator Powell discussed some of the bills that were introduced to the legislature, some of which passed. Senator Powell stated that the budget that was passed this year, \$112 billion, is the biggest budget in State history. Senator Powell thanked the Mayor and Commissioners for their continued support. Mayor Comerford thanked Senator Powell for the legislative update and wished him well.
3. Public Comments: Mrs. Tracy Siani thanked the Town for the decision about the fencing on the property across the street.
4. Vote: to approve Consent Agenda
 - a. August 2022 General Operating Fund Budget Report and Financial Statements
 - b. Minutes from August 8, 2022, Regular Commission Meeting.

Motion: Vice Mayor Block made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.
Second: Commissioner Rosner seconded the motion.
Motion passed 4-0.
5. Commission/Staff Reports
 - a. Town Administrator- No Report
 - b. Town Clerk – No Report
 - c. Chief of Police- Chief Pruitt stated that the July CPR class was a success, and he has another class in September. He stated he has been watching the Tropics and there is

- something out there that has a 40% of developing into a storm. He will continue to monitor it.
- d. Code Enforcement- Mayor Comerford reported that there were 6 active reports from the previous month that were addressed by Code Enforcement, no warnings or violations were issued. Also addressed were the final 10 residents that were given warnings for the coconuts, have been given an additional 10 days to have it corrected, which they are doing. All the issues were resolved.
 - e. Town Attorney –No Report
 - f. Commissioner Reports- Commissioner Rosner mentioned that she had received a few calls regarding the garbage truck situation which she reported to the Mayor and has since been taken care off.
 - g. Vice-Mayor – Vice Mayor Block reported that the residence at 111 Lighthouse Dr is being used as a dumping ground for non-vegetation things and is asking for it to be referred to Code Enforcement. Vice Mayor Block is also working with the Town of Jupiter on their water drainage situation since they do not have a system like the one we have in Town.
 - h. Mayor Comerford- Mayor Comerford made an announcement reminding residents that the Tuesday, August 23rd is Primary election day and to come vote. Mayor Comerford also wants address residents that are putting out the garbage on Sundays before 6:00pm. It seems like there are more residents putting their garbage out early, which is not allowed. Mayor Comerford said he would make a calling post announcement to address this issue.

6. Discussion: Mayor's Proposed Budget for FY 2022/2023

Mayor Comerford stated that since his announcement in the previous meeting, copies of the 2022/2023 budget, both long and short versions, were available in Town Hall, the budget was posted on the website by Chief Pruitt, Vice Mayor Block sent out an email blast and Mayor Comerford sent out a calling post. He stated that no one came in for copies or to ask questions. The highlights of the budget are the same as previously discussed; the millage rate will be kept the same and there is an 8% cost of living increase in salaries. The inflation rate as of June 30th was 9.1%. Vice Mayor Block thanked Town Administrator Kevin Lucas and Chief Pruitt for their work on the budget. Vice Mayor Block discussed the 5-year plan that he put together. It shows that the Town is moving ahead of schedule to reach the goal of 60% of reserves. He stated that if all goes well, it can be achieved by fiscal year 2024. In fiscal year 2025, we can look at the millage rate or decide to use the surplus in other ways. The penny sales tax money and ARPA money will be used up so at that point, the budget will need to be used for everything. There was a surplus of over \$300,000, which will be used to replenish the reserves. Vice Mayor Block stated that we want the reserves to be strong in the event of any natural disaster, epidemic or unexpected occurrence. Vice Mayor Block said the Town is in great fiscal shape and in the next meeting they will present the future projects that have been discussed and primarily financed by the penny sales tax and rescue money. If the monies are not used in ways that the Federal Government or County stipulated, it will have to be returned.

7. Announcement: Upcoming Town Commission Meetings

- Monday, September 12th at 5:01p.m. – Special Town Commission Meeting
 - 1st Public Hearing on Budget and Taxes for FY 2022/2023

- Monday, September 12th (immediately following the Special Town Commission Meeting/Public Hearing) – Regular Town Commission Meeting
- Monday, September 26th at 5:01p.m. – Special Town Commission Meeting -2nd Final Public Hearing on Budget and Taxes for FY 2022/2023.

8. Wrap-up and adjourn.

Motion: Vice Mayor Block made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:41p.m.

Second: Commissioner Rosner seconded the motion.

Motion passed 4-0.

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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