Council Meeting Minutes 2/13/18 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order; Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance followed.

In Attendance: Mayor Dudley, Vice-Mayor DeSimone, Councilmembers Troup, Roberts and Howell, Manager Campbell and Attorney Perez

Absent: None

o Presentations:

Recognition of Mayor Dudley for Florida League Accomplishments

Manager Campbell recognized Mayor Dudley for her accomplishments and presented the certificate of completion for the IEMO IV training.

Officer of The Year

Chief Riley presented Officer of the Year award to Officer Beltran-Hernandez.

Recognizing Officer Raley and Officer Delay for a Life Saving

Chief Riley presented Officer Delay and Corporal Raley with a life saving award for an incident that took place in January where an unresponsive person was revived.

Recognizing new Fire Chief Brett Shlatterer

Mayor Dudley welcomed the new Fire Chief Brett Shlatterer. Manager Campbell stated at the next Council Meeting Chief Keirn will be presented with a retirement plaque.

o Consent Agenda for January 2018

Motion to Approve: Vice-Mayor DeSimone

Second: Councilmember Troup All in favor.

o Open Forum: Public Comments Received

Rob Rajewski, Business Owner - 6190 54th Ave N. - commented on having a voice with the candidates and being able to ask whatever questions he likes.

Manager Campbell responded that Thursday night at 7 pm at the Community Hall is Candidates' Night, open to any and all that would like to attend.

Town Clerk McCarthy stated the doors open at 6:30 pm and a question form would be available to fill out. There is a question screener and a moderator, so questions are reviewed and if selected are given to the moderator.

Susan Oelze - 6127 46th Ave. N. - commented on several items including, the amount of traffic on 46th Ave., mural on the wall at the park, the size and position of the Welcome to Kenneth City signs, Community Hall renovation looking nice, except the large platform. In addition, the paving of 46^{th} Ave in the future, and the condition of the sidewalks, items that we have spent our money on, ie medians improvements rather than new sidewalks.

Manager Campbell responded 46th Ave. is a County road way, but the Town has jurisdictional powers for enforcement on 46th. Ave. We have a speed feedback trailer and our Officers do routinely monitor speeds on 46th Ave.

As far as the paving is concerned, we've been in touch with the County on the topic and they had no plans to pave 46th Ave. The County has a 10-year Capital Improvement Plan, Kenneth City is on the plan for 2023. We have been working with the County to see what we can do to get that done before that date.

Manager Campbell stated we have applied for a grant, through the State and the Federal Government for sidewalk improvements along 46th Avenue. If don't receive that grant, we still have money earmarked within our Capital Improvement Plan to improve the sidewalks. Manager Campbell stated there is also a drainage pipe that exists up under that median area that is being worked on with the County.

O New Business:

Resolution 18-03 Polling Place Update

Attorney Perez Read Resolution 18-03 by title only.

Manager Campbell explained there aren't very many other municipalities that have polling places within such a close proximity of one another. Manager Campbell stated this Resolution clarifies that there will be a Town election and the actual locations are being consolidated from two locations into one location. There will also be a separate mail out that's occurring on behalf of the Supervisor of Elections Office, where they're notifying residents of the change. This will be a cost savings for the Town by having one consolidated voting location versus two and be more accessible.

Motion to Approve: Vice-Mayor DeSimone

Second: Councilmember Roberts All in favor.

Resolution 18-04 Code Enforcement Uniform Fine Schedule

Attorney Perez read Resolution 18-04 by title only.

Manager Campbell stated this has been a work in progress amongst Chief Riley, Attorney Mora and himself to update the Town's codes. Manager Campbell stated we have adjusted the code so they are more in line with Kenneth City. We also brought attention to a number of the items that Council has worked very hard over the last couple years to identify, change and correct within the codes. If something is found that's not referenced within the document, it can still be brought up at a later day and edited or amended.

Motion to Approve: Vice-Mayor DeSimone

Second: Councilmember Troup All in favor.

Old Business:

None.

Comments:

Councilmember Troup stated the following he toured Ernst Park and it's incredible. Mayor Dudley is doing a tremendous job with all the education she is getting. The Town staff we have is working tremendously.

Manager Campbell stated there is the candidate's forum Thursday night at Community Hall from 7 to 8 PM, which will be proctored and monitored by The League of Women. He is attending a Florida City County Managers Association Winter Conference in Tampa. There is a grand opening for Ernst Park on February 23rd and a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held. Special invitations have been sent out to all the Community Leaders and the surrounding Municipalities. This is a unique project because it actually is a result of Penny for Pinellas funding, so the community can thank themselves for that. We subscribe to a software program called Constant Contact, where it reaches out to those that have sought out the Town of Kenneth City, either through social media or our website. We are looking to do this Newsletter on a quarterly basis.

Mayor Dudley stated Manager Campbell published an article blending creativity with functioning community art initiative about the bicycle racks (like at Brewburgers), which was his initiative in Dunedin that was started before beginning work in Kenneth City.

Manager Campbell stated the article empowers our Business owners to include art work within their projects, rather than just having paintings or murals, i.e. creating artistic bicycle racks, and are also located within our parks, Town Hall and in front of Brew Burgers, which mimics the old Rudy's Ace Hardware that existed on the site.

Motion to Adjourn: Vice-Mayor DeSimone Second: Councilmember Roberts

Meeting adjourned @ 6:43 PM

Respectfully submitted, Cindy M. McCarthy, Town Clerk