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City of Eustis, Florida

Meeting Minutes – Final*

City Commission

City Hall
10 North Grove Street
Post Office Drawer 68
Eustis, FL 32727-0068

Thursday, April 16, 2015 | **6:00 PM** | **City Hall**

INVOCATION: Pastor Jonathan Pearson, First Baptist Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Brett

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Eckian - 6:02 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF QUORUM AND PROPER NOTICE

Present: 5 - Commissioner Bill Brett; Vice-Mayor Michael Holland; Commissioner Karen LeHeup-Smith; Commissioner Linda Bob; and Mayor Albert Eckian

I. AGENDA UPDATE

Dianne Kramer, Acting City Manager, asked that Resolution No. 15-22 be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

15081 April 2, 2015 - Regular City Commission Meeting
April 9, 2015 - City Commission Workshop

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Holland, seconded by Commissioner Brett, to Approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Brett; Vice-Mayor Holland; Commissioner LeHeup-Smith; Commissioner Bob; and Mayor Eckian

III. PRESENTATIONS

15076 Recognition of Acting City Manager Dianne Kramer

Mayor Eckian, the Commission and staff members recognized Ms. Kramer for her service to the City as Acting City Manager since August 2013 and presented her with the gift of an engraved vase and flower bouquet.

Larry Turnbow, resident and City board member, expressed his thanks to Ms. Kramer for including him on the search committee for the new Police Chief.

Mayor Eckian recognized staff members and former Commissioner Kress Muenzmay and his company Striking Effects for their assistance with the recognition.

IV. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

Tim Totten and Jill Baker addressed the Commission regarding the 2015 Amazing Race for Charity and recognized the local merchants who also supported the event. They announced that a thank you event for volunteers and sponsors would be held on May 19th at 6:30 p.m. at Bay Street Players. They also announced that the 2016 event would be held in Eustis.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Eckian noted that Resolution No. 15-22 would be pulled from the Consent Agenda and listed the remaining items.

15072 Resolution No. 15-18: Additional Public Works Temporary Labor Services

15073 Resolution No.15-19: Purchase in Excess of $50,000 for Milling Machine Services

15080 Resolution No. 15-23: Expenditure in Excess of $50,000 and Budget Amendment

15078 Memorandum of Agreement for Early Voting Site and Polling Places

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Holland, seconded by Commissioner Bob, to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended with the removal of Resolution No. 15-22. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Brett; Vice-Mayor Holland; Commissioner LeHeup-Smith; Commissioner Bob; and Mayor Eckian

VI. ORDINANCES, PUBLIC HEARINGS & QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS

15075 Resolution No. 15-22: Wastewater Service Agreement with Florida Food Products, Inc.

Ms. Kramer explained she requested Resolution No. 15-22 be removed from the Consent Agenda due to some changes that were made to the agreement. She stated that, prior to the meeting, staff had been unable to confirm Jerry Brown's approval of the changes. She added that Mr. Brown was in attendance and had since approved the changes.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Holland, seconded by Commissioner Brett, to Approve Resolution No. 15-22. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Brett; Vice-Mayor Holland; Commissioner LeHeup-Smith; Commissioner Bob; and Mayor Eckian

15079 Resolution No. 15-21: Cattle Grazing License Agreement with M.O. Williams DBA Mo Brangus

Tom Carrino, Economic Development Director, reviewed Resolution No. 15-21 and the proposed lease agreement with M. O. Williams dba MO Brangus for use of the City's excess sprayfield property for cattle grazing. He explained the bid process and that cattle grazing is a permitted use of the property under County regulations since the property is located in unincorporated Lake County. He explained that the lease would provide annual revenue of $15,000 plus the City will avoid approximately $20,000 per year in maintenance costs.

Mayor Eckian opened the public hearing at 6:40 p.m. There being no public comment, the hearing was closed at 6:40 p.m.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Holland, seconded by Commissioner Bob, to Approve Resolution No. 15-21. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Brett; Vice-Mayor Holland; Commissioner LeHeup-Smith; Commissioner Bob; and Mayor Eckian

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS - None

VIII. COMMENTS

City Commission

Commissioner Bob commented on current events and her concerns for the City, state and country and the need for more accountability.

Commissioner Brett commented on his involvement with the Amazing Race for Charity. He noted that the Lady Panther varsity softball team would be playing for the district championship.

Vice Mayor Holland noted the opening of the City aquatic center, the Relay for Life event to be held April 24 and 25 in Ferran Park, and the summer kickoff concert sponsored by the Lake Eustis Area Chamber of Commerce to be held May 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in Ferran Park. He commented on the community cooperation for the Amazing Race for Charity.

Commissioner LeHeup-Smith announced the Eustis Live event on Friday, May 1st, the May 1st artist opening at the Lake Eustis Museum of Art, and the new playground being installed in Ferran Park. She stated there would be a July 4th dedication of the new playground. She encouraged the public to sign up on the City's website for the email news blasts. She cited the Kiwanis fund-raiser at Bay St. Players to benefit their scholarship program.

City Manager

Ms. Kramer thanked the Commission for her recognition and commented on her service as a public servant. She cited issues relating to public servants including lack of equal pay for women in the public sector. She expressed gratitude to the Commission, recognized the efforts of staff and cited the accomplishments over the past 18 months. She commented on upcoming changes and opportunities.

City Attorney - None

Mayor

Mayor Eckian commented on the need for the community to make adjustments in order to address the future and thrive comparing that need to the General Electric real estate sale and changes in banking regulations.

IX. ADJOURNMENT - 7:05 p.m.

Mary C. Montez

MARY C. MONTEZ
City Clerk

ALBERT G. ECKIAN
Mayor/Commissioner

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