

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
OF**

CITY COMMISSION – CITY OF CARRABELLE, FL

**1206 HWY 98 E
CARRABELLE, FL 32322**

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**DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023
PLACE: CARRABELLE CITY HALL**

**TIME: 6:00 P.M.
1206 HWY 98 EAST**

**6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER
INVOCATION
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

CONSENT AGENDA

- March 2, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
- March 9, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- Attorney's Invoices

Commissioner Millender motions to approve, Commissioner Gray seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

*(Comments are kept at a maximum of **3 minutes**. You may comment on a non-agenda item or a non-action item for up to 3-minutes when recognized by the mayor. Items brought forth during "Public Comment" requiring a Commission vote will be requested to be placed on the upcoming meeting agenda. If you would like to speak during "Public Comment," **complete a speaker card** which must be submitted to City Administrative personnel prior to the start of the meeting in order for you to speak.)*

Daleen Siegent speaks about Family Dollar

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Comm. Walden: none

Comm. Brown: On March 30th, I attended the March Apalachee Regional Planning Council Board Meeting in Tallahassee. I am excited to report on the Franklin-98 (F-98) Living Shoreline Resiliency Project. ARPC has successfully sourced contractors for the Franklin-98 project. Gulf Corps of the Forgotten Coast, based in Franklin County, is the contractor responsible for the planting portion of the restoration process. LiveFlyer, Inc., from Carrabelle, was selected as the contractor for the hard bottom reef materials that will be placed at the selected project sites. The installment of reef materials will take place in late spring to summer.

The Franklin County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has asked our State Representatives to work in this Legislative Session to modify how Franklin County can use its Tourist Development taxes. With the added visitors to our small and fiscally constrained county, comes additional stress on our resources and infrastructure. Hence the reason we need to use more of the TDC taxes for infrastructure elements. I would like to request that the City, with the Commission's support, send an email to Rep. Jason Shoaf and his aides and Senator Corey Simon and his aids. I am happy to provide all of the necessary contact info and an example email to our City Administrator if approved.

Saturday, April 22nd The Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 32nd annual Carrabelle Riverfront Festival in downtown Carrabelle from 10am – 6pm. This is a free event full of family-friendly activities, live music, entertainment, unique arts & craft vendors, & delicious food. This year there is a kid's nautical themed costume contest. Also, the Carrabelle History Museum will be hosting their Ave B Expo featuring natural resource experts, regional history exhibits, live animals, and educational activities and displays.

Commissioner Brown motions to send an email to Rep. Jason Shoaf and his aides and Senator Corey Simon and his aids, to use more of the TDC taxes for infrastructure elements, Commissioner Millender seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

Comm. Millender: Trees need attending to at Post Office

Comm. Gray: none

Mayor La Paz: The Mayor reported on attending the Florida League of Mayors Forum on April 3, 2023 and the Florida League of Mayors Board of Directors Meeting on April 5, 2023; both in Tallahassee.

The Mayor reported that she and Courtney will attend the second meeting of the small working group for Triumph grants on April 19th in Apalachicola. Susan Skelton, Triumph Executive Director, and Leslie Weiss of Triumph Board of Directors will be attending.

The Mayor reported that she and her husband will be hosting the Riverfront Festival Kids Costume Contest on April 22nd.

STAFF REPORTS:

City Attorney: none

City Administrator: Department Reports

- Informational signage at McKissack Beach – in progress.
- Report on findings of Todd water meter testing.
- Report on recent JLAC findings.
- Appointment of volunteer CRA Board Member by vote.

Mayor La Paz motions to appoint Mr. Koch, Commissioner Millender seconds, all in opposed, motion failed.

Commissioner Brown motions for Kelly Brown, Commissioner Walden seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

Chamber requests for roads to be closed for Riverfront Festival. Hwy 98 down Marine Street and side streets attached.

Commissioner Millender motions to approve, Commissioner Gray seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

City Clerk: April 7, 2023, City Hall Closed; Good Friday.

- April 18, 2023; CRA Meeting; 1:30 p.m.
- April 20, 2023; Planning & Zoning meeting; 2:00 p.m. – tentative.
- Next City Commission meeting on May 4, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Inovia: Russell reviews submitted report

Commissioner Millender motions to have Russell complete a scope of work and have administrator to get a survey, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Proclamation 01-2023

National Volunteer Week April 16th – 22nd, 2023

Commissioner Millender motions to approve, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

First Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 488

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CARRABELLE, FLORIDA RE-ZONING A 2.52+/- ACRE PARCEL LYING IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST, CARRABELLE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA FROM AGRICULTURAL TO R-5 RESIDENTIAL; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS THEREFROM IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

First Reading

ORDINANCE NO. 489

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF CARRABELLE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO CHANGE THE PERMITTED LAND USE OF A 2.52+/- ACRE PARCEL LYING IN SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 4 WEST, CARRABELLE, FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA FROM AGRICULTURAL TO RESIDENTIAL; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS THEREFROM IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING:

- Item 1. Discussion and possible action concerning final approval for Re-Plat of Sun & Sand Village Unit 2 lots 8 and 9. Requested by Ed Simmons. Commissioner Millender motions to approve Conditional upon utility plan, NWWMD permits, and private roads, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.
- Item 2. Discussion and possible action concerning a special exception at 1637 W Hwy 98 zoned C-1 commercial, to allow for use for RV Lots. Commissioner Brown motions to approve for RV lots, Commissioner Walden seconds, all in favor, motion carried.
- Item 3. Approve/ Disapprove Conceptual Site Plan for 1637 W Hwy 98 E. Commissioner Millender motions to approve, Mayor La Paz seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Item 1: Discussion and possible action regarding Chief of Police salary. Commissioner Millender motions to set same salary as existing salary as exiting Chief, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.
- Item 2. Discussion and possible action concerning hiring a police officer. Chief Hogan recommends Tim Stevens Commissioner Millender motions to accept Chiefs recommendation, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.
- Item 3. Discussion and possible action regarding funding for Justiss Building elevator installation. Requested by Tamara Allen. Commissioner Brown motions to table until next meeting, Commissioner Millender seconds, all in favor, motion carried.
- Item 4. Discussion and possible action regarding expansion of the Riverfront Festival to the first block of Tallahassee Street. Requested by Carrabelle Chamber of Commerce.
Removed
- Item 5. Discussion and possible action concerning changing the ordinance to allow special exception for multi-family in R2. Requested by Edwin Collins
Removed

OLD BUSINESS:

- Item 1. Discussion and possible action regarding Poteet settlement agreement. Commissioner Millender motions to approve as presented by attorney and authorize Mayor to sign, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

Commissioner Walden motions to adjourn, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried. 7:25 p.m.

NOTE: Anyone needing action taken by the Commission needs to be placed on the agenda and all required paperwork submitted by Wednesday, 8 days prior to meeting.

If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to this meeting, a verbatim transcript may be required. If so, the individual should make provision for a transcript to be made at the meeting. (RE: Florida Statute 286.0105). Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the city at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Keisha Messer at the above address or phone number.