

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF**

**CITY COMMISSION – CITY OF CARRABELLE, FL**

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

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**DATE: THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024  
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**

- December 7, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes
  - December 14, 2023 Final Budget and Special Meeting Minutes
  - Attorney's Invoices
- Commissioner Millender motions to approve, Commissioner Brown 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.)*

## **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

Comm. Walden: absent

Comm. Brown: Happy New Year and tomorrow is 1<sup>st</sup> Friday downtown

Comm. Millender: Happy New Year and thank everyone for coming

Comm. Gray: nothing

Mayor La Paz: The Mayor wished everyone a Happy New Year.

The Mayor reported on meeting Patrick Sacleux from Banassac, France at his request regarding developing a sister-city relationship between Carrabelle and Banassac, France. Mr. Sacleux explained that sister cities promote a network for activities such as friendship, culture, tourism, and exchange visits for students and adults. He noted that Ban-na-sac and Carrabelle have similar industries including fishing, construction, and locally owned businesses. He further explained that sister cities are established through an agreement, but many times can begin as friendship cities without an official agreement. Each sister city is formally established and managed through an NPO with a volunteer committee. The NPO is then eligible to seek grant funding for programs and exchange visits.

Mr. Sacleux also explained to the Mayor that this process could take a couple of years, but that it begins with both city councils giving a potential "yes" to allow development of an official agreement. Mr. Sacleux has requested an agenda item for the February 1<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting where he will explain the program in detail via conference call and a photo presentation.

## **STAFF REPORTS:**

City Attorney:

City Administrator:

Department Reports.

Progress of Old Water Plant renovations.

Progress of installation of elevator at Justiss Building.  
Progress of Duke Energy EV charging station at Firehouse/Messer Pavilion.  
Water and Sewer software will be changed January 29<sup>th</sup>-February 2<sup>nd</sup>, limited access to computers

City Clerk:

January 15, 2024: City Hall closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

January 16, 2024; 1:30 p.m.: Regular CRA Meeting.

January 16, 2024; 5:00 p.m.: Workshop regarding Old City Hall Building.

January 18, 2024; 2:00 p.m.: Regular P&Z Meeting;

Next Commission Meeting on February 1, 2024.

Inovia: reviews submitted reports

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

#### **RESOLUTION 01-2024**

MSCOP Paving grant match (Baywood)

Commissioner Millender motions to approve as read and amended to add Phase I with \$100,000 from LOG account, Commissioner Gray seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

6:49

### **QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING:**

Item 1. Approve/ Disapprove Final Site Plan for RV Park at 1637 W Hwy 98 E.  
Requested by Leonard Sparks  
Commissioner Millender motions to approve contingent upon three items listed by Inovia, Commissioner Brown seconds, all in favor, motion carried.

7:01

**NEW BUSINESS:** NONE

**OLD BUSINESS:** NONE

Adjourn 7:01

**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.