



# Town Commission - Regularly Scheduled Meeting

## Minutes

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm

### 1. Call to Order

**Minutes:**

Called to Order: 7:00 pm

### 2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to Flag

### 3. Roll Call

**Minutes:**

Commissioners Attending:

- Joseph Aufmuth, Mayor Present
- Troy Blakely Present
- Virginia Mance Absent with notice
- Timothy Parker, Mayor Pro-Tem Present
- Mike Roberts Present
- Kiersten Ballou, Attorney Present
- Sara Owen, Town Administrator Present
- Patty Polk, Deputy Town Clerk Present

### 4. Consent Agenda

**Minutes:**

Motion made and seconded (Parker/Roberts) to accept the consent agenda as submitted; passed 4-0

**a. Agenda Approval**

**b. Minutes of Regular Meeting of December 14, 2021**

**c. Review & Acceptance of Financial Transactions & Reports**

### 5. Guests

**a. Lena McNeer, Alachua County Library District**

**Minutes:**

Lena McNeer, Micanopy Librarian, presented their Winter Reading Challenge, Read for a Better World - January 1 - 31; Help us read 600,000 minutes.

**b. Newberry Opioid Task Force**

**Minutes:**

Joy Glanzer, City of Newberry, she is a previous Newberry City Commission, presented the Newberry Opioid Task Force, appointed by the Newberry City Commission. The Task Force is charged with reducing the number of students who become drug users, who become addicts, who slip through the cracks and are condemned to face this epidemic alone. The City of Newberry is asking the Town of Micanopy to donate \$10,000 toward this program using our American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. See attachment for more information. This item will be on our next agenda.

## **6. Citizen's Forum**

### **Minutes:**

Marian Baron, 108 SW Whiting St, updated everyone on concept companies and the Dollar General situation. There will be a mediation meeting with concept companies to be held on Thursday, January 13th, 2022 at 9:00 am in the Jack Durrance Auditorium. Bishop Stokes, Willie Mae Stokes, requested that item under 11e be tabled until the February 2022 meeting.

Jiana Williams, Remembrance Committee Member, stated that she has some flyers to distribute which have important meeting dates. Ms. Williams stated that at the last meeting more information was requested; Bill Harlan dropped off more information at Town Hall.

## **7. Citizen Board and Committee Reports**

### **a. Planning & Historic Preservation Board**

#### **Minutes:**

Marian Baron, Vice-Chair, reported that at their last meeting the P&HPB held a Quasi-Judicial hearing for a preliminary plat to re-plat a subdivision to allow two parcels to join into one parcel. They recommended approval to the Town Commission to allow this replat. The next step in this process is a Quasi Judicial hearing before the Town Commission.

### **b. Tree Committee**

#### **Minutes:**

Paul Cohen reported that the tree committee met last night and are planning on planting another tree in honor of Arbor Day at the Micanopy Academy on January 21, 2022.

## **8. Town Attorney Report**

### **a. Resolution 2022-01, Setting the Election for Town Commission Seats 1 and 2**

#### **Minutes:**

Attorney Ballou introduced Resolution 2022-01 and Mayor Aufmuth read the resolution on short title . Discussion ensued. Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Parker) to approve Resolution 2022-01 as submitted; passed 4-0 Mayor Aufmuth explained how to qualify to run for the Town Commission seat

#1 or seat #2 which are open this year.

**b. Resolution 2022-02, Authorizing Participation in the Opioid Litigation Settlement**

**Minutes:**

Attorney Ballou introduced Resolution 2022-02 explaining that this is necessary for Micanopy to receive money from a lawsuit regarding Opioids. Attorney Ballou read Resolution 2022-02 on short title. Discussion ensued.

Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Blakely) to approve Resolution 2022-02 as submitted; passed 4-0

**9. Town Administrator Report**

**a. Drinking Water Master Plan**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen presented and recommended approving this plan at a fee of \$16,500 to be paid with our American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds. Fred Handy, Florida Rural Water Association (FRWA), presented and he believes that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is not going to allow the water treatment plan that we are currently using for much longer. He recommends an above ground storage tank which holds 5000 gallons, where treatment can be added into our water system. Discussion ensued.,

Motion made and seconded (Parker/Blakely) to approve Florida Rural Water Association's (FRWA) proposal for a Drinking Water Master Plan for a contribution of \$16,500 to FRWA ; passed 4-0

**b. Mediation Concept Development**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen would like to add 9b. Mediation Concept Development to this agenda.

Motion made and seconded (Parker/Roberts) to amend this agenda adding under 9b. Mediation Concept Development; passed 4-0

Motion made and seconded (Parker/Roberts) to have our Town Administrator Owen represent the town during the Mediation with Concept Development; passed 4-0

**10. New Business**

**a. Reappointment of Matthew Palumbo as Micanopy Tree Committee Member**

**Minutes:**

Matt Palumbo has submitted his application as a Micanopy Tree Committee Member.

Motion made and seconded (Parker/Roberts) to appoint Matt Palumbo to our Tree Committee again; passed 4-0

**b. Replacement Tires for Lift**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen presented that our man lift is in need of tires and we have two estimates and the lowest price is \$2025.16.

Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Parker) to approve the estimate of \$2025.16 from Boulevard Tire; passed 4-0

**c. Preliminary Site Plan Review - Replat of parcels within the Evans Court Subdivision**

**Minutes:**

Stacy Girouard has made an application to combine two of his parcels into one parcel. Per our Land Development Code (LDC), the applicant must comply with the replat process when a platted subdivision is affected. The North Central Florida Regional Planning Council & the P&HPB verifies this application meets the requirement per the LDC and recommends approval by the Town Commission. The Quasi Judicial Hearing was held by the Commission as required. Attorney Walker swore in the witnesses: Kenneth Reddick, Mose Rochelle, and Bud DesForges. after following the Quasi-Judicial hearing requirements. Discussion ensued.

Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Parker) to approve the preliminary & final replat as submitted; passed 4-0

**11. Unfinished Business**

**a. Estimates for Roof Repair at Native American Heritage Preserve**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen stated that the reroof is reimbursable for Wild Spaces Public Places monies. Discussion ensued. Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Parker) to approve the estimate from Big D Roofing for \$6990 using 26-gauge metal; passed 4-0

**b. Traffic Study at Seminary Avenue and Division Street**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen presented Thomas Strom, Alachua County Transportation Engineer, traffic study results for All Way Stop at Seminary Avenue and Division St. Discussion ensued.

Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Parker) based on the traffic study report we will not put a 4-way stop on the corner of Division St and Seminary Ave; passed 4-0

**c. Completed Survey for Ballpark Property**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen presented the survey that the commission requested. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Roberts would like the fence moved onto the property line now that we know where the property line is and add this item to the next agenda.

**d. Waste Pro Contract Extension**

**Minutes:**

Administrator Owen presented that Waste Pro requested a 90-day extension in November 2021 to negotiate their contract which was approved by the commission. Per the contract Waste Pro can request two 1-year extensions. Dayna Miller, Waste Pro USA, stated that they would like a 1-year extension on the contract. Discussion ensued.

Motion made and seconded (Roberts/Blakely) to approve a one-year extension of the Waste Pro contract; passed 4-0

**e. Request by Remembrance Committee to Access Old Jail for Ceremony and Collect Soil**

**Minutes:**

Postponed until February 9, 2022 Commission Meeting

**12. Town Commissioner Reports**

**a. Commissioner (Seat 2) Tim Parker**

**Minutes:**

Tim Parker is planning to run for Seat #2 again.

**b. Commissioner (Seat 3) Ginny Mance**

**Minutes:**

Ginny Mance is absent with notice.

**c. Commissioner (Seat 4) Troy Blakely**

**Minutes:**

Troy Blakely stated that discrimination is alive and well in Micanopy. The Micanopy Fall Harvest Festival rejected political party applications. One party set up on private property near the festival. Other vendors set up on private property and this is discriminatory to the paying vendors.

Mayor Aufmuth suggested that this topic should be brought before the Fall Festival Committee. A possible workshop may be in order in the future. We have a very good festival and wouldn't want anyone to harm it.

**d. Commissioner (Seat 5) Mike Roberts**

**Minutes:**

Mike Roberts stated that Micanopy is the second oldest town in Florida and we should be proud. He would like our Land Development Code (LDC) reevaluated to regulate the houses to look more alike. We should offer tax credit incentives to keep historic homes historic.

**13. Mayor (Seat 1) Joe Aufmuth Report**

**Minutes:**

This is his next to last full meeting; its been a great ride!

## 14. Adjourn

### Minutes:

Adjourn: 8:28 pm

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