MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
HELD August 12, 2019
AT 5:30 PM Commission Chambers
121 SW FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994

CITY COMMISSION
Mayor Rebecca S. Bruner
Vice Mayor Eula R. Clarke
Commissioner Kelli Glass Leighton
Commissioner Merritt Matheson
Commissioner Mike Meier

ADMINISTRATIVE
City Manager, David Dyess
City Attorney, Michael J. Mortell
City Clerk, Mary R. Kindel

5:43 PM ROLL CALL
Roll Call. Present: Mayor Bruner, Vice Mayor Clarke, Commissioner Glass Leighton, Commissioner Matheson, Commissioner Meier.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. ARTS MOMENT - LITTLE PRODIGY SCHOOL OF MUSIC STUDENT PERFORMANCE BY JULIAN SORIANO SINGING "THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM".

Julian Soriano beautifully sang "The Impossible Dream" and was presented a Certificate of Appreciation by the Mayor.

PROCLAMATIONS

5:54 PM 2. CONSTITUTION WEEK - SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2019

Ms. Lynn Jensen, Region of Halpatiokee Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, proudly accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Glass Leighton

- **No comments.**

Commissioner Matheson

- **Commented on the progress made with Lake Okeechobee since 2018 and his disgust concerning the lawsuit by US Sugar to the US Army Corp. Feels the US Congress needs to mandate that the Corp factor in human health and safety in managing Lake Okeechobee.**

Commissioner Meier

- **Commented on the Plastics Workshop held today and looks forward to more workshops and more action regarding our environment and climate change.**
- **Reported on a conversation with residents at the Green Market about Stuart becoming over developed, the density, and trees. Feels there is more the City can do to advance the climate agenda, would like to start thinking about the tree fund and do more projects to prioritize shade trees in downtown. Have a goal to plant our fair share of trees.**

Vice Mayor Clarke

- **Commented on the Daughters of the American Revolution Constitution Week Proclamation and announced that the Constitution Celebration, in which the Constitution is read out load, will be on September 19, 2019 at the 10th Street Community Center. May be at 10th Street or in the Commission Chambers.**
- **Complimented Dave Peters and Milton Leggett for the noticeable drainage of rainwater after storms and on the job they do.**
- **Announced the 1928 Hurricane Remembrance that will take place on September 16th in Port Mayaca in the City of Pahokee at 10:00 AM.**
- **Commented to encourage all to celebrate the Constitution, we have to get back to God and Country.**

Mayor Bruner

- **Commented that the Army Corp of Engineers have worked hard to help the conditions of the St. Lucie River and with her Mayor's contingency fund, she would like to request the use of $800 to host a celebration during the Rivers Coalition Meeting on August 29, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at the Flagler Center.**

Mayor Bruner passed the gavel to Vice Mayor Clarke.

6:09 PM Motion: Motion that the Commissioners will do a little celebration at Flagler and donate the diner and drinks up to $800.00.
Moved by: Commissioner Bruner
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

6:11 PM COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Dyess

- **Commented on allocated funds for tree replacement in this year's budget.**
- **Presented an award for Public Works Water Division won the Best Tasting Drinking Water Contest in the State of Florida.**

Mike Woodside, Water Treatment Plant Team Leader II, came forward to accept the award.

- **Announced changes made to the three (3) hour parking; added three or four spaces in front of the Esplanade on Flagler Avenue to resolve a reoccurring parking issue.**
- **Reported an emergency expense of less than $40,000.00 for Public Works involving a collapsed line on Madison Avenue causing a sinkhole.**
- **The Palm City Award Bid is in and it's $40,000.00 under the projected budget.**
- **Reminder that school is back in session and police are out in full force.**

City Manager Dyess invited Ben Hogarth, Community Affairs Liaison, to come forward to provide a river update.

Mayor announced that Ben is the point of contract for the Army Corp of Engineers and PDT Meeting representative.

Ben Hogarth updated the Commission on the increase in the level of Lake Okeechobee, by ¼ foot, today, even with the rain, the level is approximately 2 feet less than for the average this time of year. There are some harmful algae blooms in the Lake but there are currently no releases to the east or west. Hogarth announced that public comment is active for an Army Corp assessment. Extra releases are only in extreme circumstances. Per the Mayor's comment, the LOSOM Interagency Delivery Team is for agencies to have meetings. The first meeting is in Clewiston, on August 20th at the John Boy Auditorium.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6:19 PM Motion: Move approval of the Agenda.
Moved by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (5 min. max)

1) **Jerry Gore – Lake Street; Thanked the Public Works Department for their recent assistance with a fountain and street adoption. Hopes to combine the street adoption on Church and Lake Street with 10th Street, involving the Commissioners in a celebration and cleanup. Asked about whether the City**

bottles its water and if so, if it could be used for local events. [City stated that it no longer bottles its water.] Would like to work together to keep community clean.

2) **Tom Campenni – St. Lucie Crescent; Complimented the Police Chief, Police Department, and City staff for their participation in the Back to School Bash at the 10th Street Community Center.**

Vice Mayor Clarke requested from the City Manager, an update at a future meeting on the Athletic Programs at the Community Center.

6:25 PM CONSENT CALENDAR

3. APPROVAL OF 07/22/2019 SCM AND 07/22/2019 CCM MINUTES

4. WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY CLARIFIER REPAIRS:

RESOLUTION No. 70-2019, BUDGET AMENDMENT #12; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENT No. 12 TO THE 2018-2019 WATER SEWER FUND; APPROPRIATING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR A CHANGE ORDER TO REBUILD-IT SERVICES GROUP FOR ADDITIONAL REPAIR WORK NEEDED ON THE CLARIFIERS AT THE CITY'S WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $155,339.00, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

5. ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY FUNDING APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION:

RESOLUTION No. 72-2019; A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR AN ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY GRANT THROUGH THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE CITY'S ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

6:25 PM Motion: Move approval of the Consent Agenda.
Moved by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

COMMISSION ACTION

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

6:26 PM 6. AMENDMENT TO THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE:

ORDINANCE No. 2409-2010; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 11.00.00, CHAPTER XI – PROCESSING OF PLAN APPLICATIONS, OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO INCORPORATE REVISED REVIEW AND COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES WITHIN CITY OF STUART. PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND A CONFLICT CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

***CORRECTION: ORDINANCE No. 2409-2019.**
Kevin Freeman, Development Director, presented briefly on the state processing timeline updates.

6:28 PM Motion: Move approval of Ordinance No. 2409-~~2010~~[2019].
Moved by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Meier
Motion passed unanimously.

7. PLANTATION STORAGE OF STUART CPUD (QUASI-JUDICIAL):

ORDINANCE No. 2411-2019; AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA, APPROVING A MAJOR AMENDMENT TO THE COMMERCIAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (CPUD) ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE No. 1527-97 FOR A 7.01 ACRE PARCEL ON THE EAST SIDE OF COMMERCE AVENUE SOUTH OF INDIAN STREET OWNED BY TED GLASRUD ASSOCIATES FL, LLC, SAID LAND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED; ESTABLISHING PLANTATION STORAGE OF STUART, CONSISTING OF A 98,000+/- SQUARE FOOT SELF-STORAGE FACILITY WITH 4,347 SQUARE FEET OF OUTDOOR BOAT AND VEHICULAR STORAGE AREA; APPROVING A MASTER SITE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR DEVELOPMENT CONDITIONS AND A TIMETABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT, DECLARING THE PLAN TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Nine (9) people sworn; Kevin Freeman and Tom Reetz, Development Dept., Bob Raynes of Gunster, Yoakley, and Stewart, Susan O'Rourke, Traffic Engineer, Bill Mathers of Mathers Engineering, applicant Charles Chase, John Ahern of Ahern & Associates Architects, and Dan Siemsen of Gentile, Holloway O'Mahoney. (1 sworn person unidentified).

Tom Reetz, Bob Raynes, John Ahern and Charles Chase presented on Ordinance 2411-2019.

Applicant Charles Chase noted that his facilities are involved in the communities they serve, and he is open to assisting in environmental efforts that help the community.

7:08 PM Motion: Move approval of Ordinance No. 2411-2019 on First Reading.
Moved by: Commissioner Glass Leighton
Seconded by: Commissioner Matheson
Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

7:08 PM ADJOURNMENT

Mary R. Kindel, City Clerk

Rebecca S. Bruner, Mayor

Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission Meeting this 26th day of August, 2019.