MINUTES
TOWN OF JUNO BEACH

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

November 17, 2015
Council Chambers
340 Ocean Drive

PRESENT:
MORT LEVINE, MAYOR
ELLEN ANDEL, VICE MAYOR
BILL GREENE, VICE MAYOR PRO TEM
JASON HASELKORN, COUNCILMEMBER
JIM LYONS, COUNCILMEMBER

ALSO PRESENT:
JOSEPH LO BELLO, TOWN MANAGER
LEONARD RUBIN, TOWN ATTORNEY
MATTHEW PAZANSKI, FINANCE DIRECTOR
ANTHONY MERIANO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
RUBEN CRUZ, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND ZONING
BRIAN SMITH, CHIEF OF POLICE
PAUL FERTIG, MAJOR
CAITLIN COPELAND, ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

Mayor Levine called the Town Council regular meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Audience: 15

~ CALL TO ORDER
~ INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
~ ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTIUTIONS TO THE AGENDA - *YES*

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that item No. 1 was removed from the agenda.

Mayor Levine stated that the formal swearing in would be held at a future meeting.

1. **SWEARING IN OFFICER STEVEN SMITH AS SERGEANT**
Deleted

2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
Public Comments Opened at 5:32 PM

Public Comments Closed at 5:32 PM.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**
All matters listed under Item 1, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

A. Resolution No. 2015-09-Supervisor of Elections Agreement.
B. Resolution 2015-10-Announcing Municipal Election.

C. Consider approving the October 28, 2015 Town Council Meeting minutes.

MOTION: *Lyons/Greene made motion to approve the consent agenda.*

COUNCIL ACTION: *The motion passed 5-0.*

4. **AGREEMENT FOR USE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 461 VENUS DRIVE**

Mayor Levine asked Town Attorney Rubin if there was an application to go with the backup for this item.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that there was no formal application.

David Tassell, attorney representing the applicant, 941 North A1A, Jupiter, Florida 33477, stated that his client recently purchased the property from the original owner. He stated that the property closed 10 days ago and his office submitted a letter to Town Attorney Rubin requesting the property be released from the agreement with the prior owner.

Mayor Mort Levine requested that the letter be made part of the record.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that he would obtain a copy and forward it to the Town Clerk.

Mayor Levine opened the floor for public comments.

Peggy Davies, 460 Atlantic Blvd., questioned the intentions of the new owner and asked why the Town would want to release the condition that the property only be improved by a single-family structure.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that the single-family home condition was linked to the use of the property as a substance abuse treatment facility. They are part of the same issue. The release of the agreement ensures that the property will not be used for substance abuse treatment and may only be developed in accordance with the existing zoning regulations.

David Mahoney, 843 Ocean Side Drive, stated he was concerned with this agreement and the intentions of the new owner.

Public Comments closed at: 5:49PM

Councilmember Lyons stated that the Council is unaware of the new owner's intention but whatever the plans are, they must come before the Planning and Zoning Board and the Town Council for approval.

Mayor Mort Levine confirmed with Town Attorney Rubin that the new owner could not turn the property into a treatment center.

Town Attorney Rubin stated that was correct.

MOTION: *Andel/Lyons made motion to approve the agreement releasing the Agreement and Declaration of Restrictive Covenant for the property located at 461 Venus Drive.*

COUNCIL ACTION: *The motion passed 5-0.*

5. **COMMENTS FROM TOWN MANAGER**

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that they are moving along nicely with the work for replacing the damaged pipe on Universe Boulevard.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene questioned the pumping system and if the spot was going to be filled in.

Public Works Director Meriano stated that the pump was used to dewater the area and keep it dry while replacing the pipe. The pumps have now been removed.

Mayor Levine questioned if the project cost had been reduced at all.

Public Works Director Meriano stated that staff has been cautiously optimistic that the cost would be reduced but they would have to see the final bill.

Town Manager Joseph Lo Bello stated that he was happy to see that the Town Council had agreed on the lighting fixtures for the Royal Palms. He stated that staff is seeking to install two to three lights per tree.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Bill Greene asked how the lights would be powered.

Public Works Director Meriano stated that they would be using a transformer.

Town Manager Lo Bello added that the LED lights are more cost efficient.

Councilmember Lyons questioned the time frame for this project.

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that staff is estimating about 4 months for the project to be complete.

9. **COMMENTS FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY**

No Comments.

10. **COMMENTS FROM STAFF**

No Comments

11. **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL**

Councilmember Lyons questioned Chief Smith if he has implemented any policies or procedures to prevent a Corey Jones tragedy in Juno Beach.

Chief Smith that he that he is looking to revise the general orders but added that officers are trained on how to approach someone when in an unmarked vehicle. He stated that unfortunately, we learn from other tragedies in order to prevent future ones from occurring.

Councilmember Lyons asked Chief Smith how he felt about body cameras.

Chief Smith stated that it is a very expensive idea due to the purchasing the cameras and there are some privacy issues as well. He added that he would not recommend being the first department in Palm Beach County with body cameras.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene asked for a rough estimate of the cost of the cameras.

Chief Smith stated that it would around $7,000.00 along with a server for storage space and billable time for record requests.

Chief Smith stated that he does believe body cameras will eventually be in use all over Palm Beach County. He added that most of their work is traffic stops recorded off dashboard cameras.

Councilmember Lyons questioned if the Oceanview United Methodist Church was having their annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner.

Town Manager Lo Bello stated that he would find out.

Councilmember Lyons wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene stated that at the last Council meeting, he expressed appreciation towards the Building Department, but tonight he has to pass on a not so happy complaint regarding the building permit process. He stated that a resident had to have their A/C changed out and this resident had a very hard time trying to coordinate with the building inspector. Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene requested that the department review the response time of the building inspector.

Town Manager Joseph Lo Bello stated that he would contact this resident to find out more information on the issue.

Vice Mayor Pro Tem Greene mentioned Vice Mayor Andel taking over a speaking engagement in Jupiter. He stated that she did a wonderful job representing the Town of Juno Beach.

Vice Mayor Andel stated that she has attended many events recently. She said that she attended an event at the Florida Atlantic University (FAU) Jupiter Campus and was given an opportunity to speak with Governor Scott. Vice Mayor Andel stated that Governor Scott asked her if there was anything he could do for the Town of Juno Beach. She replied, not at the moment, but would let him know.

Vice Mayor Andel expressed her appreciation to the Palm Beach County Government Affairs Committee for including the Town of Juno Beach. She stated that she also attended the SAYFIE Florida Leaders' Summit in Orlando, where they discuss the upcoming presidential race and how Florida will be key in this race.

Mayor Levine stated that on October 19th he welcomed Governor Rick Scott and his party to beautiful Juno Beach. This was at an event at FPL Headquarters that highlighted a program sponsored by FPL in which teams of students from various Palm Beach County high schools engage in a composition to design the best robot. The results are amazing. The program encourages students to pursue careers in physics, math and science.

Mayor Levine wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

12. **ADJOURNMENT – 6:17 PM**
Mayor Levine adjourned the meeting at 6:17 PM

Mort Levine, Mayor

Caitlin Copeland, Administrative Secretary