

MINUTES
TOWN OF JUNO BEACH
TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

May 27, 2020
Council Chambers
340 Ocean Drive

PRESENT: JASON HASELKORN, MAYOR
JIM LYONS, VICE MAYOR
FRANK FAHY, VICE MAYOR PRO TEM
PEGGY WHEELER, COUNCILMEMBER
STUART KATZ, COUNCILMEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: JOSEPH LO BELLO, TOWN MANAGER
LEONARD RUBIN, TOWN ATTORNEY
ANTHONY MERIANO, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
BRIAN SMITH, CHIEF OF POLICE
FRANK DAVILA, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & ZONING
ANDREA DOBBINS, PROJECT COORDINATOR
CAITLIN COPELAND, TOWN CLERK

Audience: 11

- ~ CALL TO ORDER – 5:31 PM
- ~ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- ~ ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS TO THE AGENDA – *None*
(TIME STAMP IS BASED OFF OF [YOUTUBE VIDEO](#))

Town Manager Lo Bello announced that Youtube was having technical difficulties and therefore the meeting will not be live but will be uploaded after the meeting.

Mayor Haselkorn dedicated the moment of reflection to resident Jack Kneuer who had recently passed.

Councilmember Wheeler asked to move Item #11 to 5A and Item #12 to 6A and to table Item #4 until the next meeting.

Council discussed and gave consensus to move Item #4 to Item #10 and move Item #11 to 4A and Item #12 to 5A.

Councilmember Katz asked to remove Item K from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Council agreed.

1. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** (*Time: 14:33 – 22:45*)

Public Comments Opened at 5:45pm.

Town Clerk Copeland read aloud comments submitted through the Town's Website Webform (*see attached*).

Robert Hamilton, 220 Celestial Way, commented on his experience running for Council against Vice Mayor Lyons in 2019.

Michael Clarjen-Arconada, 70 Celestial Way, commented on the virtual meeting process that was discussed at the March Town Council meeting.

Public Comments Closed at 5:53pm.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA** (Time: 22:46 – 23:45)

All matters listed under Item 2, 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. Consider approving the March 25, 2020 Town Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Consider approving the May 4, 2020 Special Town Council Meeting Minutes
- C. Proclamation – Police Week and Peace Officers Memorial Day
- D. Proclamation – National Public Works Week
- E. Proclamation – 2020 National Safe Boating Week
- F. Employee of the Year 2019
- G. Florida Department of Law Enforcement JAG Grant FY 2019-2020
- H. Resolution 2020-05: Amended and Restated Interlocal Radio Agreement
- I. Urban County Qualification Process FYs 2021-2023: Amendment 001 to the Agreement with Palm Beach County
- J. Letter of Support for Loggerhead Marinelifelife Center
- ~~K. Rebuild Florida Critical Facility Hardening Program Grant Opportunity~~
- L. Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Grant Opportunity

MOTION: Lyons/Wheeler made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended.

ACTION: The motion passed 5-0.

Councilmember Wheeler recognized the Police Department for Police Week, Public Works Department for National Public Works Week, and employee of the year for 2019, Martin Rybczyk, for their service and dedication.

3. **COMMUNITY EVENTS AREA; URBAN DESIGN KILDAY STUDIOS
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT PRESENTATION** (Time: 23:46 – 1:49:55)

(Project Coordinator/Risk Manager Dobbins)

Project Coordinator/Risk Manager Dobbins introduced Landscape Architect Robert Dinsmore and went over the memorandum.

Robert Dinsmore, Landscape Architect with Urban Design Studios, explained and then went over his presentation (*see attached*) and asked Council if they had any questions.

Council discussed this item.

Councilmember Katz presented his thoughts to the Council (*see attached*).

Public Comments Opened at 6:46pm.

Jim Ferguson, 391 Sunrise Way, recommended that the Planning & Zoning Board be allowed to give input on this item.

Mr. Clarjen-Arconada commented on the process of this item.

Anne Bosso, 765 Hibiscus Avenue, expressed her concerns on the funding for this item.

Mr. Hamilton questioned Mr. Dinsmore on the renderings and expressed his concerns to Council on the expense.

DD Halpern, 410 Apollo Drive, commented on the seating aspect of the renderings and suggested that two microphones be used at the Council meeting for social distancing.

Marianne Hosta, 500 Ocean Drive, expressed her concerns on this item being discussed at this time.

Nancy Wolf, 1613 E. Hemingway Dr, expressed her concerns on Council discussing this item at this time.

Public Comments Closed at 7:00pm.

Council continued to discuss this item.

Council gave consensus to have more green space.

***MOTION:** Katz/Lyons made a motion to spend \$750 from contingency to obtain one more rendering and to table this item until October; and have the Planning & Zoning Board evaluate it; and promote the design in the Lobby area.*

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

4. **PELICAN LAKE BEAUTIFICATION AND AMENITIES AND 4A. DISCUSSION ON RESIDENT COLLINS WHITFIELD'S LETTER DATED APRIL 7, 2020 IN REGARDS TO THE TOWN'S PROPERTY MAINTENANCE (Originally Item #11)** (Time: 1:50:00 – 2:41:55)
(Director of Public Works Meriano)

Director of Public Works Meriano went over his memorandum and asked Council if they had any questions.

Town Manager Lo Bello gave a brief summary of the memorial bricks around the lake and recommended taking out the blocks that are illegible and replacing them with a blank brick.

Director of Public Works Meriano stated that there has not been a public outcry for people who want to re-engrave or replace the bricks.

Council discussed the tree memorial stone markers, bollard and street light painting, white gazebo, commemorative benches, and sidewalk memorial blocks.

Councilmember Wheeler provided pictures of the benches and memorial blocks to Council (*see attached*).

Council gave consensus to have staff conduct a pilot program that involves them reviewing all the memorial blocks and seeing which ones need replacing; and for staff to locate the donator's contact information.

Council gave consensus to use mulch under the benches.

Public Comments Opened at 8:08pm.

Ms. Bosso questioned about having Seaside donating another gazebo.

Ms. Wolf thanked Public Works for doing a great job and provided her input on the gazebo.

Public Comments Closed at 8:10pm.

Council gave consensus to have staff send Collins Whitfield a letter thanking him for his contributions.

Council gave consensus to have the white gazebo on the west side of Pelican Lake demolished and sodded; and to add possibly adding its replacement to the One-Cent Surtax list.

Vice Mayor Lyons questioned if Ocean One could be asked to replace the gazebo.

Town Attorney Rubin explained that any required improvement would need to be related to the impact of the development.

Councilmember Wheeler requested to have a picture taken of the gazebo and put up for display in case someone wants to donate one.

5. **DISCUSSION ON MAINTENANCE FOR PELICAN LAKE** (Time: 2:42:00 – 3:12:35) (Director of Public Works Meriano)

Director of Public Works Meriano went over the memorandum and asked Council if they had any questions.

Councilmember Katz expressed his concerns on the application of a general herbicide.

Director of Public Works explained Aquagenix's treatment approach to the lake.

Councilmember Katz requested to have a follow up meeting via Zoom with Florida Fish and Wildlife, Aquagenix and staff to discuss an optimal approach for Pelican Lake.

Council briefly discussed this item.

Public Comments Opened at 8:29pm.

Town Clerk Copeland read aloud comments submitted through the Town's Website Webform (*see attached*).

DD Halpern, 410 Apollo Dr., agreed with staff's objective and expressed her concerns on staff's recommendations. She stated she is in favor of hiring a professional.

Marianne Hosta, 500 Ocean Dr., asked Council to preserve the lake.

Diane Mosolf, 241 Mercury Circle, commented on ecological health of Pelican Lake.

Chuck Mosolf, 241 Mercury Circle, expressed his concerns for Pelican Lake and that he is here to support the comments of the Ecology Committee.

Ms. Bosso expressed her concerns on Pelican Lake and the loss of wildlife. She asked Town Attorney Rubin if the One-Cent Surtax can be used for the beautification of the lake.

Town Attorney Rubin addressed Ms. Bosso's question.

Ms. Wolf provided her input on this item.

Ms. Halpern commented on funding availability for the lake.

Dr. Clarjen-Arconada expressed his thoughts and concerns on the management of the lake.

Public Comments Closed at 8:46pm.

5A. **DISCUSSION ON THE ECOLOGY GROUP** (*Time 3:12:38 – 4:56:00*)
(*Per the request of Councilmember Wheeler*)

Councilmember Wheeler thanked the Ecology Group for their time and effort in making Council and staff aware of their concerns and thanked staff. She expressed her thoughts and concerns and asked Mayor Haselkorn for more time for the Ecology Group to speak and make a presentation.

Mayor Haselkorn gave consent to give the Ecology Group members 2.5 minutes each to speak on this matter.

Mr. Ferguson expressed his thoughts on how to better protect Pelican Lake and where the Ecology group stands.

Diana Davis, 440 Sunset Way, went over a presentation (*see attached*) and requested, on behalf of the Ecology Group, to allocate \$250 in funding for Stocking Savvy, LLC to

prepare a Management Plan that can be implemented by Aquagenix; and to allocate \$650 in funding for Water Quality Sampling and Analysis. She indicated that accurate chemical treatment information was needed and sought a commitment from the Town to be open and receptive and incorporate community input for ecologically sound management plan practices into Pelican Lake Maintenance.

Public Comments Opened at 9:01pm.

Ms. Halpern commented on the Ecology Group and mentioned that most coastal Towns and Cities have ecological advisory groups or task forces.

Mr. Clarjen-Arconada explained the species that inhabit the ecosystem.

Ms. Wolf agreed with the sentiments of the Ecology Group and expressed her opinions.

Ms. Bosso commented on surrounding lakes in the area and suggested reaching out to others on how they are maintaining the lakes.

Public Comments Closed at 9:07pm.

Council discussed Councilmember Wheeler's request to form an Ecology Group as an advisory committee.

Vice Mayor Lyons recommended giving the Planning & Zoning Board direction to act as an Ecology Group and provide input to Council.

Council discussed this matter.

Public Comments Reopened at 9:34pm.

Mr. Ferguson expressed his concerns on having the Planning & Zoning Board being given the task of acting as the ecology group.

Ms. Wolf commented on the environmental sensitive lands and Charter Review Committee's recommendation. She recommended Council creating a task force.

Ms. Bosso expressed her support for the Ecology Group.

Ms. Halpern expressed her support for the Ecology Group.

Public Comments Closed at 9:44pm.

Council continued to discussed this matter.

MOTION: Wheeler/Katz made a motion to establish a 7 member Ecology committee and to include in the resolution the verbiage the "the Town to achieve a healthy, vibrant lake and to promote native plant species for the wellbeing of fish, waterfowl and birds."

***ACTION:** The motion failed 2-3 with Mayor Haselkorn, Vice Mayor Lyons and Vice Mayor Pro Tem Fahy opposed.*

***MOTION:** Wheeler/Katz made a motion to go through a qualification process, hire a natural resource, wetland and environmental services management professional who could advise the Town of methodologies and practices to achieve the objectives of the Town Council relating to the long-term health and future care of Pelican Lake.*

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

Council continued to discuss this item.

Councilmember Katz asked for a consensus to have a follow up meeting either virtually or in person with Florida Fish and Wildlife and those who attended the meeting around Pelican Lake on Monday, May 18th.

Council gave consensus to have a follow up meeting.

***MOTION:** Lyons made a motion to authorize the Public Works Department to do a spot treatment for the invasive species in Pelican Lake and an algae treatment if needed.*

Council briefly discussed the current treatment of Pelican Lake with staff.

Vice Mayor Lyons withdrew his motion.

6. **FIRST READING ON ORDINANCE NO. 721: CONSTRUCTION SITE STANDARDS DURING STORM EVENTS** (Time: 4:56:01 – 5:05:35)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF JUNO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE V, “PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION SITE STANDARDS,” OF CHAPTER 6, “BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS,” OF THE TOWN CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTION 6-109, “CONSTRUCTION SITE STANDARDS,” TO DELETE REFERENCES TO THE STORAGE OF CONSTRUCTION SITE MATERIALS DURING STORM EVENTS AND ADOPT A NEW SECTION 6-110, “REMOVAL AND SECURING OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS DURING TROPICAL STORM AND HURRICANE WATCH OR WARNING REQUIRED;” PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Director of Planning and Zoning Davila)

A. Town Attorney to Read Ordinance Title

Town Attorney Rubin read the Ordinance title.

B. Staff Presentation

Director of Planning & Zoning Davila went over his memorandum and asked Council if they had any questions.

C. Public Hearing

Public Hearing Opened at 10:32pm.

Public Hearing Closed at 10:32pm.

D. Council Motion/Second-Council Discussion

Council briefly discussed this item.

E. Council Action

MOTION: Lyons/Fahy made a motion to approve adoption of Ordinance No. 721 on first reading.

ACTION: The motion passed 5-0.

7. **JANITORIAL SERVICES CONTRACT** (Time: 5:05:36 – 5:11:15)
(Director of Public Works Meriano)

Director of Public Works Meriano went over the memorandum and asked Council if they had any questions.

Council reviewed and discussed this item.

MOTION: Lyons/Fahy made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to execute a Janitorial Maintenance Service contract with Clean Space, Inc. for the initial one (1) year period for a \$2,287.00 monthly service charge, from Contingency, with the option for two additional one-year extensions, if mutually agreeable.

ACTION: The motion passed 5-0.

~~8. **REVIEW OF ORGANIZATIONS FOR COUNCIL PARTICIPATION**
(Town Clerk Copeland)~~

~~9. **DISCUSSION ON TOWN'S WEBSITE**
(Per the request of Councilmember Wheeler)~~

~~10. **CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**
(ORIGINALLY ITEM #4)
(Town Attorney Rubin)~~

11. **REBUILD FLORIDA CRITICAL FACILITY HARDENING PROGRAM GRANT OPPORTUNITY** (ORIGINALLY ITEM #2, CONSENT AGENDA K) (Time: 5:11:20 - 5:19:39)
(Town Manager Lo Bello)

Town Manager Lo Bello went over the memorandum and asked Council if they had any questions.

Council discussed this item.

***MOTION:** Lyons/Fahy made a motion to contract with RMPK Funding to complete the grant application process and forego the bid process as it is not practical or advantageous to the Town, in the amount of \$3,000 from contingency, and authorize the Town Manager to execute all grant documents as necessary.*

***ACTION:** The motion passed 4-1 with Councilmember Katz opposed.*

Councilmember Wheeler requested that these items be brought forward sooner and to have a survey on how other municipalities are handling their grant writing.

12. **COMMENTS FROM TOWN MANAGER** (Time: 5:19:40 – 5:20:10)

Town Manager Lo Bello announced that the first budget hearing in September will be Tuesday, September 8th.

13. **COMMENTS FROM TOWN ATTORNEY** (Time: 5:20:11 – 5:20:15) - None

14. **COMMENTS FROM STAFF** (Time: 5:20:16 – 5:22:22)

Director of Planning & Zoning Davila provided an update on the Mars Workshop and asked Council how they would like to proceed.

Council gave consensus to hold off on the Mars Workshop.

15. **COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL** (Time: 5:22:23 – 5:25:55)

Councilmember Wheeler discussed having a Zoom meeting where the public can participate instead of just listen.

Council briefly discussed this matter with staff.

16. **ADJOURNMENT** (Time: 5:25:55)

Mayor Haselkorn adjourned the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

Minutes Approved on June 24, 2020.