



**ACTION TAKEN
FERNANDINA BEACH CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 15, 2016**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION**
Invocation by Reverend Mark Stalnakar of Bible Baptist Church.
- 4. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**
 - 4.1 PROCLAMATION – SUNSHINE WEEK** – *Recognizes March 13-19, 2016, as “Sunshine Week.” City Clerk Caroline Best accepted the Proclamation.*
 - 4.2 PROCLAMATION – PURPLE DAY FOR EPILEPSY AWARENESS** – *Recognizes March 26, 2016 as “Purple Day” for epilepsy awareness. Ms. Laurel Pinckney and Mrs. Candy Jordan, accepted the Proclamation.*
 - 4.3 PRESENTATION – COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA (CRA) UPDATE** – *CRA Advisory Board Chair Arlene Filkoff provided a Monthly Progress Update.*
 - 4.4 PRESENTATION – AMELIA TREE CONSERVANCY** – *Amelia Tree Conservancy Chair Margaret Kirkland, Landscape Designer Arthur Herman, and Civil Engineer Robert Prager provided a presentation regarding the creation of a tree commission.*
ACTION TAKEN: The consensus of the City Commission was for the Amelia Tree Conservancy to come back with a proposal.
 - 4.5 BUDGET SUMMARY / INVESTMENT SUMMARY** – *City Manager Martin was available to answer questions regarding the budget summary for February 2016.*
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA OR ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA** - *The following individual spoke to this item: Mr. Tom Raymond.*
- 6. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - 6.1 ADDITIONAL REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES – UPDATED RESOLUTION 2016-14.**
Synopsis: Approves additional reimbursable expenses relating to the Settlement Agreement with Robin Joy Marley.
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved
 - 6.2 FINAL PLAT APPROVAL – SHELL COVE - RESOLUTION 2016-35.** *Synopsis: Accepts and approves the plat titled “Shell Cove” as a final plat.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved

- 6.3 **URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT APPLICATION - RESOLUTION 2016-36.** *Synopsis: Authorizes the execution of the Urban and Community Forestry Grant Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Fernandina Beach, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved

7. RESOLUTIONS

- 7.1 **COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF AND DAMAGES - MARCO DESTIN, INC. (ALVIN'S ISLAND) – RESOLUTION 2016-37.** *Synopsis: Authorizes the City Attorney to serve the Summons to proceed with the Complaint for Injunctive Relief and Damages against Marco Destin, Inc.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved

8. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

- 8.1 **LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT – TRADE SERVICES - ORDINANCE 2016-05.** *Synopsis: Amends the Land Development Code specific to trade services.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved
- 8.2 **ZONING CHANGE – 8 FLAGS SHOPPING CENTER - ORDINANCE 2016-06.** *Synopsis: Assigns a Zoning Category of General Commercial (C-2) to 9.49 acres located on S. 14th Street between Lime and Jasmine Streets.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved

9. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

- 9.1 **LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE AMENDMENT – LAND USE DEFINITIONS - ORDINANCE 2016-03.** *Synopsis: Amends the Land Development Code specific to Land Use Definitions.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved
- 9.2 **CODE AMENDMENT – VEHICLES FOR HIRE - ORDINANCE 2016-04.** *Synopsis: Amends various sections of the City Code pertaining to Vehicles for Hire.*
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved

10. BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- 10.1 **HISTORIC DISTRICT COUNCIL – 1 appointment.**
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved (appointment of Robert Erickson)
- 10.2 **PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD – 1 appointment.**
ACTION TAKEN: 5-0 Approved (reappointment of Ms. Judith Lane)

11. CITY MANAGER REPORTS

WELCOME: City Manager Martin welcomed his daughter who was visiting for the week.

CONGRATULATIONS: City Manager Martin congratulated the companies that were here for the motor events (Bonhams auction, Concours d'Elegance, and Motostalgia auction). He stated he was approached by a sixth auction house that has expressed interest in coming as part of those events next year.

THANKS: City Manager Martin extended his thanks to Lieutenant Colonel Lynn Patt who presented a plaque to the City in appreciation of the City's support of the 111th Aviation Regiment of the Florida Army National Guard. He clarified they set up a control tower that provided assistance and observation during the event. He stated if they return next year they would do positive air control. He also thanked Advanced Disposal and Republic Services for the recycling tour today, and reminded the community of the City's annual recycling event on April 16th. He pointed out this year's event would include a food drive for Barnabus.

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP): City Manager Martin reported staff was working on several RFPs including labor counsel.

AIRPORT MANAGER: City Manager Martin stated he was moving forward with the process for an Airport Manager.

STORMWATER AND PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT: City Manager Martin explained staff was working on the stormwater consultant RFP. He stated he has started to review some pavement management with Streets Maintenance Manager Rex Lester.

MEETING: City Manager Martin requested the City Commission to check their calendars for a Special Meeting later this month to complete the application for Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) monies. He clarified this money would be for the mooring field, the Marina realignment, and the possible Marina expansion. There was a brief discussion about this.

ALACHUA: City Manager Martin reported there were discussions with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) last week regarding the Alachua opening. He stated it was a positive discussion and they are reviewing the stipulation of parties, and the notice of intent. He pointed out an additional discussion was scheduled with the FDOT representative on March 22nd.

AIRPORT: City Manager Martin stated he would be at the Airport tomorrow, which would be his monthly workday with a department. He explained runaway 9/27 was reopened following the dismantling of the Bonhams tent, and the other two runways are closed in anticipation of the upcoming race this weekend (Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA)).

OUT OF OFFICE: City Manager Martin reported he would be out of the office Friday for a personal day.

CITY HALL CLOSED: City Manager Martin reminded the community that City Hall would be closed next Friday in observance of Good Friday.

ALACHUA: Mayor Miller referred to Alachua and conversations with Mr. Ross and questioned if that was being addressed during the discussion about the responsibility of the railroad and the old 1800 agreement. City Attorney Bach replied yes.

12. CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

VEHICLES FOR HIRE ORDINANCE: City Attorney Bach explained under the Vehicles for Hire Ordinance the City will regulate Uber and Lift drivers. She stated the State legislature had a couple bills pending to preempt local governments from regulating Uber and Lift, but that died. She commented there are a couple of lawsuits in bigger counties in Central Florida and those lawsuits are against Uber and Lift. She pointed out enforcement was going to be a little more difficult than some of the other companies, but staff would do their best.

SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE: City Attorney Bach reminded the City Commission that at the goal setting meeting there was talk about sidewalk maintenance and property owner responsibilities. She stated she found

several Florida cities such as Ft. Lauderdale and Marco Island that require property owners to maintain their own sidewalks. She inquired if the City Commission was interested in discussing that. *The consensus of the City Commission was for the City Attorney to bring forward a discussion item with options regarding sidewalk maintenance.*

13. CITY CLERK REPORTS

CODE UPDATE: City Clerk Best reported the code supplement for the City's Code of Ordinances was ready, and requested the City Commissioners bring in their books to be updated.

BOARD OPENINGS: City Clerk Best announced there were a few board openings (Code Enforcement and Appeals Board – 2 alternate seat openings and the Greens and Oversight Committee – 2 regular member openings).

THANKS: City Clerk Best extended her thanks to the Fire Department, the Police Department, and the City Marina for being part of the Transitioning Adult Program that was held at City Hall last Friday.

14. MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

RECYCLING TOUR: Vice-Mayor Lentz stated the recycling tour was enlightening, and expressed her hope to work together on an education campaign to let citizens know what can and can't be recycled. She explained she hoped to bring this up to the Youth Advisory Committee tomorrow.

POLICY: Vice-Mayor Lentz noted the City Attorney emailed the policy on naming buildings, fields, and streets in general. She explained she would like to get a consensus to direct staff to bring forward a policy for the City to have a standard. *The consensus of the City Commission was to have staff bring forward a policy regarding the naming of buildings, fields, streets, etc.*

VIDEO STREAMING: Vice-Mayor Lentz commented in light of Sunshine Week she had brought this up with the City Manager about getting a few calls about not streaming every City Commission meeting. She explained there are a lot of people that are homebound and can't make it to the meetings. She expressed her opinion that it is very important to video stream everything. Commissioner Smith pointed out that has to be done in the next budget, because it wasn't budgeted this year.

THANKS: Commissioner Poynter expressed his thanks to the Police, Fire, and the Auxiliary Police Force for an unbelievable job managing all the events last week. He stated everything went incredibly smooth. He extended kudos to Senator Aaron Bean and Representative Janet Adkins for helping get the money for stormwater (\$900,000). He also thanked Mr. Buddy Jacobs and Mr. Rick Schultz for working behind the scenes to make this happen. He pointed out these dollars could be used to leverage for some Federal funds too. Commissioner Smith noted it was the only project in Nassau County that got approved. He commented it was great to get the State funding.

EVENTS: Commissioner Smith stated last week with all the cars in town it was a great thing. He commented talking with some businesses they said it was the biggest crowd they'd seen, and some restaurants did a good lunch business. He explained the whole weekend was great, and he assumed we'd have the same thing this weekend.

LIFEGUARDS: Commissioner Kreger commented during the training of the lifeguards there was some discussion about the use of drones as a rescue item. He reminded the City Commission that one of the goals was to increase the number of lifeguards. He pointed out there is money in impact fees that could be used to help save lives right away, and suggested the City Commission seriously look at this.

AIRPORT: Commissioner Kreger explained the Airport Advisory Commission (AAC) met last week, and he thought the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) complaint would be resolved. He stated the AAC was advised on the City Commission's Special Events meeting on May 12th.

RECYCLING TOUR: Commissioner Kreger stated the recycling tour was very interesting and very productive.

RIBBON CUTTING: Commissioner Kreger reported he was at the Journey Church ribbon cutting, and commented it was impressive what the church was doing for the needy people in the City. He suggested during the budget to look at what to do for needy people in the City.

DRONES: Mayor Miller suggested looking up drones for lifesaving on the internet. He stated he looked at it a couple years ago and it was cost prohibitive. He explained if someone was struggling in a rip current the drone can drop a life buoy to the person. He commented these units are solar so they charge while on the stand.

STATE FUNDING: Mayor Miller reported he spoke to Mr. Buddy Jacobs today and was excited to learn about the State funding. He pointed out photographs were sent and one photograph showed Front Street and the railroad tracks completely covered in stormwater with the Port's cranes in the background. He explained he called Senator Bean and Representative Atkins to thank them for their help.

EVENTS: Mayor Miller noted that not only was the auto race this week there was also the 1st annual international dog surfing contest at Main Beach. He commented they are also having a dog distance jumping competition.

OPPOSITION TO OFFSHORE DRILLING: Mayor Miller pointed out he has been opposing offshore drilling for a few years. He stated the five year energy plan was issued today by the Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management and the entire Atlantic seaboard has been taken off the drilling target list. He pointed out without drilling there really is no reason to issue seismic permits. He explained over 100 coastal communities did like the City and passed a Resolution or sent letters opposing this. He expressed his thanks to the Department of the Interior, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, and the President for doing the right thing. He also thanked Oceana for spearheading this movement.

CLEANUP: Commissioner Kreger reminded the community there would be a St. Mary's River cleanup this Saturday starting at 8:00 am and after you are done you can get tickets to go to White Oak for a celebration.

15. ADJOURNMENT 7:46 PM