Town of Fletcher
Town Council Agenda Review Meeting
Minutes
September 3, 2024

Call the meeting to order at: 6:00 PM

Those who were in attendance are as follows:

Mayor Preston Blakely
Mayor Pro-Tem Sheila Franklin
Councilmember Jim Player
Councilmember Trevor Lance
Councilmember Keith Reed
Town Manager Mark Biberdorf
Planning & Zoning Director Eric Rufa

Moment of Silence:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Presentation of Proclamation(s) for National Recovery Month, & Suicide Prevention Month and then a plaque for years of service to an outgoing Planning Board member by Mayor Blakely

Presentation of plaque to Duane Gentle honoring his years of service on the Planning Board.

Presentation of a Proclamation in honor of National Recovery Month.

Presentation of a Proclamation in honor of World Suicide Prevention Day & National Suicide Prevention Month

Public Comments:

No comments were made at this time.

Approval of minutes - corrections, additions or deletions

Agenda Review Meeting August 5, 2024

Regular Meeting August 12, 2024

No comments were made at this time.

Council Updates

Councilmember Trevor Lance stated that the Fletcher Fire Chief's last day would be April 30, 2025, as he has put in for retirement. The board is starting the process to look for his replacement with a job description and recruitment.

Consent Agenda

Tax refunds/releases.

Approval of request from Windsor Built Homes for street take over in Sycamore Cottages

Planning & Zoning Director Eric Rufa went over the information concerning the street takeover of Sycamore Cottages and stated that he would include the Resolution in the packet for next week that council needs to approve. He also had a representative from Windsor Built to answer any questions concerning the subdivision that council may have on this item.

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that this will add to our Powell Bill allocation as well.

Discussion Followed:

Discussion Items

Consideration of establishing a farmers market in Fletcher - Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf went over the most recent information that he had concerning the potential of a Farmers Market in Fletcher. He stated that he spoke with Karen Blaedow at the Agricultural Extension Office, and she gave him some suggestions on where a market might work here in Fletcher. He also said that he would be attending a market managers' meeting on September 17 to discuss this with them.

Discussion Followed:

Retail recruitment plan submitted by Retail Strategies - Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf stated that he would be going over a draft of the proposed recruitment plan with retail strategies. They are going to go over this with me at a team Zoom meeting tomorrow, and they will give me a written proposal that I will share with you. If there are a lot of questions and something you are not comfortable with, then I will schedule another Zoom call where council can attend to get any questions answered that you may have.

Research on retail rehabilitation grant programs - Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager

Town Manager Mark Biberdorf went over some information on grant programs to help local businesses rehab their properties. He is asking council for permission to reach out to local

businesses to see if this is something that they might be interested in.

Discussion Followed:

Town Manager Report

I have been approached by First Citizens Bank about a Community Shred event (Pill drop) for Friday, October 25 out of several dates that were suggested. This appears to be the best date. I will email Mitizi back to let her know that this would be the best date out of what was suggested if the council is good with this.

The council agreed on Friday, October 25.

On the Fall Litter sweep which is September 14 through September 28th, I will be doing a Blackboard call on this, and we already have one group that is interested (Christ School) and they are looking at picking up litter on September 11th. We usually get some other groups that are interested as well.

Our Fletcher Family Fun Festival is coming up on Saturday, September 21, 2024, from 4:00 to 7:00 pm.

Department Reports

August Reports

Adjourn
Mayor Blakely asked for a motion to adjourn

Councilmember Jim Player motioned to adjourn and it was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Sheila Franklin.

Motion all in favor.

Adjourned: 6:52 pm

Upcoming Events

Regular Meeting September 9, 2024, at 6:00 pm
Fletcher Family Fun Festival September 21, 2024 4:00 to 7:00 pm
Agenda Review Meeting October 7, 2024, at 6:00 pm
Regular Meeting October 14, 2024, at 6:00 pm
Halloween Event October 26, 2024 12:00 to 2:00 pm
Fall Food Pantry from October 28, 2024 to November 23, 2024
Veterans Salute Breakfast November 2, 2024, at 9:00 am

Approved.

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Date Signed