
ROCKLEDGE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2023 ♦ 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The Rockledge City Council met in regular session on February 15, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Rockledge City Hall, 1600 Huntington Lane, Rockledge, Florida.

PRESENT:	Thomas J. Price	Mayor
	Dr. Michael A. Cadore	Councilmember, Seat #1
	Dr. R. Shaun Ferguson	Councilmember, Seat #2
	Sammie Brown Martin	Councilmember, Seat #3
	Frank T. Forester	Councilmember, Seat #4
	Duane A. Daski	Councilmember, Seat #5
	Ted J. Hartselle	Councilmember, Seat #6
	Joseph E. Miniclier	City Attorney
	Dr. Brenda Fettrow	City Manager
	Jennifer M. LeVasseur	City Clerk & Public Relations Officer

STAFF PRESENT:	Matthew Trine	Assistant City Manager & Finance Director
	Joseph P. LaSata	Public Safety Director/Chief of Police
	Victor "VJ" Karycki	Public Works Director
	James Elmore	Wastewater Treatment & Water Reclamation Director
	James H. Wilson	Deputy Fire Chief
	Tracy Bauer	Planning Permit Technician

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas J. Price.

2. INVOCATION

- At the invitation of Mayor Price, the invocation was given by Councilman Ferguson.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A salute was given to the flag, and the Pledge of Allegiance was repeated in unison.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting on February 1, 2023

Councilwoman Martin moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on February 1, 2023; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried unanimously (7).

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Mayor Price

1. Mayoral Proclamation

a. Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month

Mayor Price read aloud a Proclamation recognizing March 2023 as Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month. The Proclamation was accepted by Samantha Nazario and Pam Williams. Both recipients shared a background of the condition and thanked Council for the recognition.

2. Special Recognition

a. Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, Fiscal Year 2021

Mayor Price announced that, for the third year in a row, the City received the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and recognized the City's Finance Division for their diligent efforts.

6. FINANCIAL / BUDGET REPORT

- January 2023

Councilman Daski moved to be in receipt of the Financial/Budget Report for the month of January 2023; seconded by Councilman Hartselle. The motion passed by unanimous vote (7).

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS

- A. Resolution: Authorizing the City of Rockledge to Accept Grant Funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Public Assistance (PA) Grant Program and Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Councilman Ferguson offered a Resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S (FEMA) PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (PA) GRANT PROGRAM FOR DECLARED PRESIDENTIAL DISASTERS AND FOR THE PORTION OF QUALIFYING COSTS THAT ARE MATCHED

BY THE FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT;
AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE TO ACCEPT GRANT
FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY'S
(FEMA) HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP);
AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS,
REQUESTS FOR FUNDING, AND ANY OTHER RELATED
DOCUMENTATION AND TO EXPEND MATCHING FUNDS TO COMPLY
WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN
EFFECTIVE DATE" **and moved to waive the reading and adopt the
Resolution; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. Voting for the motion:
Mayor Price and Councilmembers Cadore, Ferguson, Martin, Forester,
Daski, and Hartselle. The motion carried by unanimous vote (7).**

- B. Resolution: Naming Stormwater Retention Facility as "Lake Virginia"

**Councilwoman Martin offered a Resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKLEDGE, BREVARD
COUNTY, FLORIDA, NAMING THE STORMWATER RETENTION
FACILITY LOCATED SOUTH OF BARNES BOULEVARD, NORTH OF
HALSEY AVENUE, AND EAST OF PLAYA DEL SOL DRIVE AS
'LAKE VIRGINIA' " and moved to read the Resolution in its entirety;
seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion passed by unanimous
vote (7).**

City Attorney Miniclier read aloud the entire Resolution.

**Councilwoman Martin moved for adoption of the Resolution; seconded
by Councilman Cadore. Voting for the motion: Mayor Price and
Councilmembers Cadore, Ferguson, Martin, Forester, Daski, and
Hartselle. The motion carried by unanimous vote (7).**

8. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

**Councilman Daski moved to be in receipt of the minutes of the following
meetings:**

- Police Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 3, 2023
- Student Advisory Committee, Minutes of Meeting on February 7, 2023

seconded by Councilwoman Martin and passed without objection (7).

- A. Police Employees' Retirement Board, Minutes of Meeting on February 3, 2023 (no recommendation)
- B. Student Advisory Committee, Minutes of Meeting on February 7, 2023 (no recommendation)

C. Reappointments and Appointments

1. Reappointments

a. Code Enforcement Board

Councilman Ferguson moved to reappoint Kelly Wentworth for an additional term on the Code Enforcement Board; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion carried without objection (7).

2. Appointments

a. Planning Commission

Councilman Forester moved to appoint Lee Budd to the Planning Commission; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion passed unanimously (7).

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- None

10. CONSENT BUSINESS

Councilman Daski moved for approval of these consent business items:

- A. Approval: Annual Maintenance Fees, BS&A Enterprise Software (Finance Division)
- B. Approval: Declaration of Surplus Property and Authorization to Sell or Scrap Said Property, Wastewater Treatment Vehicle (Wastewater Treatment Department)
- C. Approval: Addendum to Agreement for Transit Amenities, Creative Outdoor Advertising of America, Inc. (COA) (City Manager)
- D. Approval: Assignment of Utility Easement at Wastewater Treatment Facility, Florida Power & Light (Wastewater Treatment Department)
- E. Approval: Change Order for Equalization Basin Project (Wastewater Treatment Department)
- F. Approval: Use of Forfeiture Funds for Gym Equipment Purchase and Graduation Event Donation (Public Safety Department)

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Martin and passed by unanimous vote (7).

11. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT BUSINESS

- None

12. NEW BUSINESS

- None

13. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- None

14. REPORTS

A. City Manager Report

- City Manager Fettrow:
 - Requested authorization from Council to install photos in the lobby of Councilman Emeritus Dr. Joe Lee Smith and Chairman Emeritus Richard "Dick" Blake. Council supported the installation.
 - Reminded Council of Wednesday Friendsday on March 1st in the Civic Hub and the Rockledge Little League Opening Day Ceremony on March 4th at McLarty Park.

B. City Attorney Litigation Report

- February 2023

Councilman Daski moved to be in receipt of the City Attorney Litigation Report dated February 7, 2023; seconded by Councilwoman Martin. The motion passed unanimously (7).

City Attorney Miniclier provided a brief update on cases listed in the report.

C. Reports from the Dais

- Councilmembers congratulated members of the Finance Division for their award and the Hartselle family for the lake naming recognition in honor of Virginia Hartselle.
- Councilman Daski attended the Space Coast League of Cities dinner at Rockledge Country Club and offered complimentary remarks.
- Councilwoman Martin:
 - Reminded Council of the Gospel on the Lawn event on Friday, April 7th in the Civic Hub.
 - Recognized Alberta Wilson in the audience.
- Councilman Ferguson:
 - Shared fond memories of the Hartselle family's involvement in Rockledge over the years.
 - Wished everyone a happy Black History Month.
 - Acknowledged Alberta Wilson in the audience.

- Thanked everyone for attending the Space Coast League of Cities dinner.
- Requested that a small ceremony be held to unveil the Emeritus photos in the lobby.
- Councilman Hartselle:
 - Thanked Councilmembers for honoring his late mother by naming the lake earlier in the evening.
 - Attended the Space Coast League of Cities dinner and Board Meeting.
 - Announced that several FAST events will be held in Tallahassee in the coming weeks.
- Councilman Cadore:
 - Reminded Council of the Lift Every Voice event on Sunday, February 19th in the Civic Hub.
 - Thanked Mayor Price for issuing the Bleeding Disorders Awareness Month Proclamation.
- Mayor Price attended the recent Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (SCTPO) meeting and shared trivia on the amount of taxes within gasoline prices and population projections for Brevard County.

15. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Chairman Price declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Council Chairman

ATTEST: _____

City Clerk