

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021
7:00 P.M.
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
675 E EAGLE AVE
EAGLE LAKE, FLORIDA 33839

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Coler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Metosh gave the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Commission and audience said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

IV. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Metosh, Clark, Coler

ABSENT: Billings, Wilson

City Clerk Wright advised Commissioner Billings and Commissioner Wilson notified her that they would be unable to attend the meeting tonight.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to excuse Commissioner Billings and Wilson from the meeting tonight.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

V. AUDIENCE

Vicki Spofford, 75 Lake McLeod Dr., stated the fireworks in her neighborhood on the 4th of July were out of control. She stated ash covered her car and driveways; she stated neighbors were concerned with projectiles going on roofs. She stated neighbors were shooting off mortar type fireworks for 3 hours. Ms. Spofford stated she called the Sheriff's Office non-emergency number and no deputy came to her house. She is asking for Eagle Lake to ban fireworks in Eagle Lake and/or is asking for the formation of a committee to investigate the regulation of private firework displays.

City Manager Ernharth will look into firework legislation in other cities.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS, REQUESTS

A. Staff Reports

Deputy Justin Register introduced himself to the Commission; he is a new deputy to Eagle Lake.

Deputy Fire Chief Huff updated the Commission regarding the events that have occurred in the city.

B. City Manager Report

City Manager Ernharth asked for authorization to enter into an agreement with TECO for easements on City property to install underground power lines. He stated resolutions will be brought forward at the next meeting if required. He stated he will get with the City Attorney as Resolutions might be necessary.

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Metosh to allow the City Manager to work with TECO to secure easements to run underground utilities under the water tank property and Feagin's Park.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

Mr. Ernharth discussed Business Tax Receipts; he advised the City did not do the required study back in the 90's which would have enabled the city to be able raise rates; he stated we collect approximately \$8,000 and it cost us more to implement the program. It was the consensus of the Commission to put this item on the next agenda.

Mr. Ernharth stated that the Sports Association has asked for assistance with the replacement of the existing roof on the concession stand at the ballfield; he stated we will be able to do this in the current fiscal year. He is recommending using the recreation money budgeted to replace the roof on the concession stand at the ballfield.

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Clark to authorize the City Manager to work with the Eagle Lake Sports Association to obtain roofing quotes to repair the concession stand roof not to exceed \$35,000.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No.: O-21-07, An Ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Amending Chapter 16, Article II, Section 16-27, Water Rates, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Providing an Increase in Residential and Commercial Water Rates Inside and Outside the City; and Amending Chapter 16, Article III, Section 16-59, Sewer Rates, of the Code of Ordinances, Providing an Increase in Residential and Commercial Sewer Rates Inside and Outside the City; Providing a Conflict and Severability Clause and an Effective Date.**

Attorney Mawhinney read Ordinance No.: O-21-07 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No.: O-21-07.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion, there was none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- B. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No.: O-21-08, An Ordinance Amending the City of Eagle Lake, Florida Code of Ordinances by Amending Chapter 12, Solid Waste, Article III Collection and Disposal, Sec. 12-54 Service Fees – Regular Garbage and Trash Collection, To Update the Charges for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Authorized therein; Providing for Conflicts, Severability and an Effective Date.**

Attorney Mawhinney read Ordinance No.: O-21-08 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No.: O-21-08.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion, there was none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- C. Consideration of Resolution No.: R-21-02, A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Setting Charges for New and Replacement Water Meters; and Providing an Effective Date.**

Attorney Mawhinney read Resolution No.: R-21-02 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Resolution No.: R-21-02.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion, there was none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- D. Consideration of Resolution No.: R-21-03, A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Relating to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) State Revolving Fund (SRF), Adoption of the Water Facilities Plan for the Implementation of Green Acres Water Production Facility Improvements, Effective this Date.**

Attorney Mawhinney read Resolution No.: R-21-03 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Resolution No.: R-21-03.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion, there was none.

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2021/2022 Budget

City Manager Ernharth stated the State figures haven't been sent; they are anticipated being release in the middle of July. He stated he has added funds to Parks to repair pavilion roofs at the beach. He stated the city is moving in a positive direction.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval to Set Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Proposed Millage Rate at 7.6516 Mills with Authorization for City Manager or Designee to Notify Property Appraiser and the Department of State of the Same, Schedule the 1st Public Hearing Relating to Tentative Millage and Proposed Budget for Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., and the 2nd Public Hearing Relating to Final Millage and Final Budget for Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve setting the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Proposed Millage Rate at 7.6516 Mills Authorizing the City Manager or Designee to Notify Property Appraiser and the Department of State of the Same, Schedule the 1st Public Hearing Relating to Tentative Millage and Proposed Budget for Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., and the 2nd Public Hearing Relating to Final Millage and Final Budget for Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion; there was none.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Regular City Commission Minutes -----06/07/2021**
B. Approval of Financials

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve the Consent Agenda: Items A. the Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of 06/07/2021 and B Approval of Financials.

Mayor Coler asked for audience and Commission discussion; there was none.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

XI. AUDIENCE

No comments were received from audience.

XII. CITY ATTORNEY

Attorney Mawhinney had no report.

XIII. CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Metosh asked that the City Manager work on the private firework issues.

Commissioner Clark had no report.

Mayor Coler extended his appreciation to staff and volunteers that put in extra time for our 100 Year Celebration.

Mr. Coler stated he spoke to Tom Westberry and Mr. Westberry has an interest in bringing back the Barbecue Festival.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Commissioner Clark and seconded by Commissioner Metosh to adjourn at 7:28 p.m.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0


MAYOR CORY COLER

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK DAWN WRIGHT

