

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 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: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

ABSENT: Wilson

City Clerk Wright advised Commissioner Wilson advised she wasn't feeling well and would not be at the meeting.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

V. AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS, REQUESTS

A. Staff Reports

Sgt. Freeze updated the Commission regarding the events that have occurred in the city.

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

B. City Manager Report

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Billings to direct City Attorney Dawson to draft an amendment to the City Manager's Employment Agreement increasing his spending limit to \$20,000.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Billings to direct City Attorney Dawson to draft an ordinance sunsetting the Library Board and to allow staff to make purchasing recommendations to the Commission.

Mayor Coler asked for audience discussion.

Keith Wolfe 568 W Hibiscus St. stated he has served on the board for 25 years and for the last 15 year they haven't had a quorum at the meetings.

There was no Commission discussion.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

MOTION was made by Commissioner Billings and seconded by Commissioner Metosh to appoint Mayor Coler as the Florida League of Cities voting delegate at the August conference.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

City Manager Ernharth stated he would like permission to go to bid to continue with the city's street paving project.

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Billings to authorize the City Manager to advertise bid to continue street paving project.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

Mr. Ernharth advised the during the City's audit report the Commission authorized the paying down of some city debt; he advised at this time the city is doing well and these payments will be made before the end of the fiscal year.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Consideration of the second 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. effective upon second reading

Attorney Dawson 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: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- B. Consideration of the second 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 Dawson 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: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- C. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No.: O-21-09, An Ordinance Granting to Florida Public Utilities Company, its Successors and Assigns, a Non-Exclusive Franchise for a Period of 30 Years to Construct, Operate, Maintain, Own and Transport in the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Works for the Manufacture, Transmission, Distribution, Transportation, and Sale of Gas, Including Natural, Manufactured or Mixed Gas; Providing Severability and an Effective Date Upon Final Passage.

Attorney Dawson read Ordinance No.: O-21-09 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No.: O-21-09.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- D. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No.: O-21-10, An Ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Adopting Section 16-38, of Chapter 16, Utilities, Article II, Water, of the Eagle Lake Code of Ordinances to Establish a Charge for Water Meter Inspection Reports; Providing for Codification; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; and Providing an Effective Date.**

Attorney Dawson read Ordinance No.: O-21-10 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Ordinance No.: O-21-10.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Consideration/Discussion of Business Tax Receipts**

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to direct City Attorney Dawson to draft ordinance to repeal the Business Tax Receipts.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- B. 2021-2022 Budget**

City Manager Ernharth stated the General Fund is projected at \$2,346,097; he advised our ½ cent sales tax is projected to increase by \$42,228. Mr. Ernharth stated we rolled the CDBG funds over to the 2021/2022 fiscal year and will be spending \$95,000 on equipment and surfacing.

Mr. Ernharth stated the Utility Fund is projected at \$1,926,600.00

City Manager Ernharth asked for approval to proceed in finalizing the budget with a 3% raise for staff and 5% raise for Supervisory/Management staff.

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve a 3% raise for staff and 5% raise for Supervisory/Management staff.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of the quote from Laserfiche for document management in the amount of \$18,495.50

Based on the contract concerns from City Attorney Dawson; this item has been tabled for clarification.

- B. Consideration of Interlocal Agreement with Polk County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement Services and authorize the City Manager to sign

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Polk County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement Services and authorize the City Manager to sign.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- C. Consideration of Resolution No.: R-21-04, Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Approving Easement Agreements with TECO; Authorizing City Mayor to Sign Said Agreements and all Documents Related Thereto; and Providing an Effective Date.

Attorney Dawson read Resolution No.: R-21-04 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Resolution No.: R-21-04.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

- D. Consideration of Resolution No.: R-21-05, A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Setting Rent Charges for Various City Facilities; Providing a Conflict Clause and an Effective Date.

Attorney Dawson read Resolution No.: R-21-05 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Clark to approve Resolution No.: R-21-05.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Clark, Coler

NAYS: None

E. Consideration of the Fifth Amendment to Tower Lease with Option (T-Mobile)

MOTION was made by Mayor Coler and seconded by Commissioner Metosh to approve Fifth Amendment to Tower Lease with Option (T-Mobile) to include Attorney's recommendations.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: None

X. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the Regular City Commission Minutes -----07/06/2021
- B. Approval of Financials – May
- C. Approval of Financials – June

MOTION was made by Commissioner Billings and seconded by Commissioner Metosh to approve the Consent Agenda, Items A. the Regular City Commission Minutes of 07/06/2021, B. the Financials – May and C. the Financials - June.

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

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

XI. AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

XII. CITY ATTORNEY

Attorney Dawson had no report.

XIII. CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Metosh had no report.

Commissioner Clark had no report.

Commissioner Billings had no report.

Mayor Coler is appreciative of staff efforts moving the city forward.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to adjourn at 7:26 p.m.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0



MAYOR CORY COLER

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK DAWN WRIGHT