

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2024
7:00 P.M.
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
675 E EAGLE AVE
EAGLE LAKE, FLORIDA 33839

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wilson 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, Wilson

ABSENT: None

V. AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS, REQUESTS

A. Staff Reports

Code Enforcement Officer Nadeau updated the Commission regarding the Code Enforcement cases in the city and permits issued in the city.

Sgt. Turner updated the Commission regarding the events that have occurred in the city. Sgt. Turner stated he is tracking the accidents at Crystal Beach Road; he feels a light is warranted.

B. City Manager Report

City Manager Ernharth stated that the iPads for the commission, city manager and city clerk are over 4 years old and are outdated; they were purchased pre-COVID. He would like to order new iPads and keyboards for the Commission, City Manager and City Clerk.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to authorize the City Manager to purchase new iPads and keyboards for the Commission, City Manager and City Clerk and surplus old iPads to be returned to commission and staff.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

C. Appointment to Commission Seat 4 Vacancy

Mayor Wilson stated they received 2 applications to be appointed to Seat #4.

Commissioner Billings stated that he would like to appoint Brandi Freeze to the position.

City Clerk Wright advised since Ms. Freeze is a member of the Planning Commission, the City Commission would need to 1st accept Ms. Freeze's resignation from the Planning Commission and then they would be able to appoint her to the City Commission.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to accept the resignation of Brandi Freeze from the Planning Commission.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

MOTION was made by Commissioner Billings and seconded by Commissioner Wilson to appoint Brandi Freeze to City Commission Seat #4.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 3

NAYS: 0

City Clerk Wright administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Freeze.

The Commission discussed placing the appointment of Joshua Macon to the open Planning Commission seat on the April 15, 2024, City Commission Agenda.

D. Presentation of Audit

Julie Davis RG & Company presented the audit.

E. Presentation of Trending Analysis from Mike Brynjulfson

Mike Brynjulfson presented the Trending Analysis.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Consideration of the second reading of Ordinance No. O-24-02, An Ordinance of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, Amending Chapter 1 of the City of Eagle Lake Code of Ordinance, to Add Section 1-15, Implementing the State's Statutory Mandate to Prepare Business Impact Estimates Prior to the Adoption of Proposed Ordinances Pursuant to Section 166.041 (4), Florida Statutes; providing Findings; Adopting Business Impact Estimate Procedures, Requirements and Exemptions; Providing for Severability Conflicts and an Effective Date.**

Attorney Maxwell read Ordinance No.: O-24-02 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve Ordinance No.: O-24-02.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Freeze, Wilson

NAYS: None

- B. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No. O-24-03, An Ordinance of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida Extending the Corporate Limits of the City of Eagle Lake, to include Therein Additional Territory Lyng Contiguous and Adjacent to the Present boundaries of the City of Eagle Lake; Describing said Additional Territory; Repealing all Ordinances Conflicting Herewith and Providing an Effective Date. (General Location: Two parcels of land totaling approximately 5.0 acres in size, lying east of Gerber Dairy Road and north of Thomas Rd, with a street address of 0 Thomas Rd and 1409 Thomas Rd Winter Haven, Florida 33880) Thomas Property**

Attorney Maxwell read Ordinance No.: O-24-03 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve Ordinance No.: O-24-03.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Freeze, Wilson

NAYS: None

- C. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No. O-24-04, An Ordinance of the City of Eagle Lake, Florida, amending the Eagle Lake Code of Ordinances; Chapter 6, Elections; Article 5, Canvassing; Protests and Contests; Section 6-111, Canvassing; Providing the Canvassing Board to Consist of the City Clerk, City Manager, and City Code Enforcement Officer, and Alternates as Appointed by the City Clerk; Providing for Conflicts; Providing for Severability; Providing for Codification; and Providing for an Effective Date.**

Attorney Maxwell read Ordinance No.: O-24-04 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve Ordinance No.: O-24-04.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Freeze, Wilson

NAYS: None

- D. Consideration of the first reading of Ordinance No. O-24-05, An Ordinance Amending the City of Eagle Lake Code of Ordinances, More Specifically, Chapter 6 Elections, Article II Candidates, Section 6-51, Method of Qualifying; Fees, Petition; Providing that Write In Candidates Must File Required Qualifying Documentation and Statement with the City Clerk Before the End of the Normal Qualifying Period; Providing a Conflict Clause and Severability Clause and an Effective Date.**

Attorney Maxwell read Ordinance No.: O-24-05 by title only.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve Ordinance No.: O-24-05.

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

The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES: Billings, Metosh, Freeze, Wilson

NAYS: None

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the Regular City Commission Minutes -----02/05/2024

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to approve Consent Agenda item A. Regular City Commission Minutes of 02/05/2024.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0

XI. CITY ATTORNEY

Attorney Maxwell welcomed Commissioner Freeze to the City Commission.

Attorney Maxwell stated at the last meeting the Commission agreed to join the Form 6 lawsuit being filed by Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L. from South Florida. Ms. Maxwell stated that State and Federal lawsuits were filed. She advised the city will need to have at least one Commissioner be named as a plaintiff in the lawsuit.

XII. CITY COMMISSION

Commissioner Metosh welcomed Commissioner Freeze.

Commissioner Billings had no report.

Commissioner Freeze had no report.

Mayor Wilson welcomed Commissioner Freeze to the Commission.

Mayor Wilson discussed the need for community involvement and suggested residents create a committee to bring ideas to the Commission.

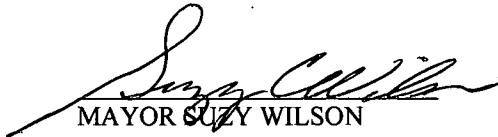
XIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Commissioner Metosh and seconded by Commissioner Billings to adjourn at 7:39 p.m.

The vote was as follows:

AYES: 4

NAYS: 0


MAYOR SUZY WILSON

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK DAWN WRIGHT

