

Town of Bronson
Council Meeting
February 5, 2018 @ 7:00 P.M.
Dogan S. Cobb Municipal Building 660 E. Hathaway Ave, Bronson FL

Mayor: Call Meeting to Order

Prayer:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Pamela Whitehead, Curtis Stacy, Erik Wise, Robert Partin, Katie Parks, Bruce Greenlee, Beatrice Roberts, Jason Hunt, Attorney Warm. Absent: Dennis Russell.

After the Prayer, Pledge and Roll Call Mayor Greenlee opened the meeting and welcomed everyone in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion for Approval of Minutes for January 16, 2018 Council Meeting was made by Councilmember Parks, a second was made by Councilmember Partin. Motion Carried. The Clerk was directed to remove the additional note about the Levy County Schools Foundation Gala.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Ron Michael approached the Council and explained his request for a business named All Safe Driving Clinic. He stated that he had already meet with the Building inspector and was informed of different things that needed to be completed before a Certificate of Occupancy. The Mayor stated that one issue that has come up with the use of that building was parking, the Mayor stated that a conceptual plan and site plan will need to be submitted. The Council suggested that Mr. Michaels get with the building inspector and get clear direction on what is needed.

Mr. Elijah approached the podium and addressed the Council and wanted to thank the Council for their assistance for the MLK day events.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cindy Babione approached the podium and addressed the Council regarding the PACE Program. The PACE program is a finance opportunity that allows homeowners to utilize the equity in their homes to pay for energy improvements. This program assists in making their homes more energy efficient. The program is not based on credit history or income. The loan is repaid by non-Ad Valor am line item on your yearly tax bill. The biggest criteria for utilizing this program is that the taxes need have been paid on time for the last three years and the equity is available in the property. Only one open PACE loan can be opened at a time. The loan would need to be paid off before another loan can be opened. Alliance NRG has submitted the Inter-local agreement for the PACE program with the Town.

A customer that has utilized this program addressed the Council and explained their experience with the program. He stated that the program has been very beneficial and the program has saved them approximately \$125 per month in Electric cost.

Mrs. Babione explained the information on what is eligible is available at PACE Nation. Projects can be bundled so that multiple projects can be completed. Mr. Warm stated that the documents are revised and ready.

A motion to accept the PACE program for the Town of Bronson was made by Councilmember Parks with the second from Councilmember Hunt. No further discussion. Motion Carried.

A motion to purchase of replacement computer for Office at a cost of \$439.91 was made by Vice Mayor Roberts with a second from Councilmember Partin. No further discussion. Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BRONSON PARKS & RECS:

Curtis Stacy Parks and Rec Director gave a quick update on fall sports and upcoming spring sports. He stated that the season would begin about the third week in March.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

PUBLIC WORKS:

BUILDING & ZONING:

ATTORNEY REPORT:

CLERK REPORT:

The Clerk made the Council aware of a few developments regarding our various grants that are outstanding.

- CBDG Grant Award & Contact Due Date (Fred Fox assisting with completing forms)
- Prelim of Proposal for Picnic Street coming from Mittauer
- Anticipated Completion of FRDAP Phase I & II (90 Day Letter received from DEP)

The Mayor asked Erik about some information that was forwarded to Kim Evans at DOT but we have not had a response back yet.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Infrastructure Committee- the Mayor just stated Congratulations on another SCOP project. The Clerk stated that applications are being accepted for the next SCOP cycle, so bring ideas back to Council. The Mayor stated the re-submission of the Wilson Avenue Project. A question was asked about exactly what was covered under FRDAP Phase I and Phase II. Curtis Stacy explained the various improvements that have been completed. Clarification was also given on the Picnic Street SCOP project.

Industrial Committee-

Cemetery Committee- Mr. Roosevelt wanted to thank the City for keeping the grounds clean.

COUNCIL REPORT:

Councilmember Robert Partin- Mr. Partin stated that he spoke with the Engineer on the Verizon Tower and found out it is not required to have a light as the Tower is a mono-pole and does not have guide wires and it is less than 200 feet tall. Mr. Partin is states he is still working on the insurance. He also wanted to thank Erik and his team for some recent road work that was completed.

Councilmember Katie Parks- reminder that Feb 12th at 5:00pm will be a Farmer's Market Committee meeting. She also stated that tentative dates for the Blueberry Festival will be May 19th (festival) and May 12th (pageant).

Vice Mayor Beatrice Roberts- clarification was given on the Gala again. The Council is responsible for paying for their own ticket. The Town is not paying for any tickets. Wanted to Thank the employees for stepping in when Curtis was absent from BPR hosting.

Councilmember Jason Hunt-

Mayor Bruce Greenlee- only wanted to say he was glad to be back and enjoys his work for the Town and wishes to continue and serve to the best of his ability.

AJOURN-

With no other business brought before the Council the meeting was adjourned at 8pm.