

### **City of Palm Coast**

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## Meeting Minutes City Council Workshop

Mayor Jon Netts
Vice Mayor Heidi Shipley
Council Member Jason DeLorenzo
Council Member Bill McGuire
Council Member Steven Nobile

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

9:00 AM

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#### A. Call to Order

Mayor Netts called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- C. Roll Call

Records Coordinator Barbara Redline called the roll.

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Netts, Vice Mayor Shipley, Council Member DeLorenzo, Council Member McGuire, and Council Member Nobile

#### D. PRESENTATIONS

### 1 16-55 PRESENTATION REGARDING THE 2007 UTILITY BONDS POTENTIAL REFINANCING

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item. Mr. Christopher Quinn, Finance Director, and City's consultant, Mr. Mark Galvin of First Southwest a division of Hilltop Security, gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached to these minutes).

CM Nobile - What is the rate you are basing this on? Mr. Galvin - It's a blended rate including all costs it is 3.13%.

Mayor Netts - What are the costs associated with refinancing? Mr. Galvin - It's not

cheap; you are talking about \$450,000-\$500,000 dollars (for bond reissue); these cost numbers are net of those expenses.

CM Nobile - Are these going to be folded into the bond? Mr. Galvin - Yes, obviously your interest rate is based upon your rating; they need to know about your profile and your system because their security is the strength of the water and sewer; they need to be educated on your systems.

CM McGuire - What is our bond rating and how does that play into our savings? Mr. Galvin - Right now the bond rating is A+; the higher the rating the more cost effective and the cheaper the cost; the strong credits fall in between the AA and A+. We are hoping to move that up to AA; every step that you make saves you money.

CM McGuire - How are you going to do that? Mr. Galvin - We meet with the rating agencies, show them what is going on and get them excited about the area; strength of the water and sewer systems; we will continue this education process. We did this in 2013, we are hoping to get that next step up. Mr. Quinn - After one of our conversations with the rating agency Fitch a year ago, they felt that they were close to giving us an AA rating.

Mayor Netts - \$460,000, that is real savings? Mr. Galvin - Yes.

Mayor Netts - The maturity, is it pushing the debt out further or is it the same maturity? Mr. Galvin - This is assuming we keep it at the exact same period.

VM Shipley - What could go wrong? Mr. Galvin - The issue could become, these are projected savings; we can't lock-in on the interest rates until further on down the road, probably 2 months. If we do a bank loan, we could probably lock-in quicker.

Mayor Netts - Wouldn't a bank loan be preferable? Mr. Galvin - Traditionally, banks don't like going out 20 years; they might give you a 20-year amortization but then want to reprice it. Also, banks have different covenants that changes taxes; corporate tax rate. Let's say we go forward with the bond issue there are certain expenses that are going to be fixed and that is going to be the engineering consultants, etc.; we have to compare those items and covenants to make sure it is a good deal.

CM McGuire - If you go to a bank, do you expect to post collateral? Mr. Galvin - No. Mr. Landon - It is very unusual that cities default on a loan; it's a very secure loan, because we are going to be here a long time. Mr. Galvin - Water and sewer has a rate covenant to the bank or the bond holders that if revenues drop below a certain coverage level, you will raise the water and sewer rates to cover.

CM McGuire - The \$460,000 savings, is that savings from the standpoint that we had budgeted that money being spent and now we are not going to so we will roll that into a reserve fund? Mayor Netts suggested to pay down the loan. Mr. Quinn - It would be his suggestion to apply it towards capital projects.

Mayor Netts - If at the moment we could refinance and save \$460,000, what are we waiting for? Mr. Landon - We are not.

CM McGuire - What action are you looking for from City Council? Mr. Landon - Banks have shown interest so we asked Mr. Galvin to go out and do a 2-week request for proposals to banks for refinancing; that is the first step. We feel pretty confident that we will be successful with that and avoid the bond market. No action required by Council at this point; just to let you know we are looking at this and for ideas. We will bring something back to Council once a proposal is put together.

Mayor Netts - Assuming the market doesn't change; you could do better with a bank loan? Mr. Galvin - He tried to be conservative, the issue that they always have is that this stuff changes on a daily basis and becomes a lot more volatile; if it is a good day in the stock market, it is usually a bad day in the bond market.

CM DeLorenzo - The debt service reserve, is that included in that total savings? Mr. Galvin - Yes.

CM McGuire - Are we looking for a similar approach to other indebtedness the City has? Mr. Landon - Always. Mr. Galvin - We always look at everything; that is what we did in 2013 with water and sewer bonds, etc.

#### The Presentation was Received and Filed.

### 2 16-53 ORDINANCE 2016-XX RELATING TO BOTTLE CLUB REGULATIONS

Attachments: Ordinance-Bottle Club Code Amendment

Email Opposing Bottle Clubs 1-21-2016

Bottle Club Letters Through 11-16-15

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item. Mr. Bill Hoover, Senior Planner, and Mr. Ray Tyner, Planning Manager, and Mark Carman, Senior Commander with the Flagler County Sheriff's Office, gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached to these minutes).

CM McGuire - Moratorium ends when? Mr. Landon - April.

CM McGuire - Did you find anybody in Volusia or Hillsborough County that had a bottle club that didn't have a problem with it? Sr. Commander Carman - Hillsborough County had the same trouble; it is the same across the State.

CM McGuire - So, in Volusia County there is no bottle club without a problem? Sr. Commander Carman - No bottle club that we are talking about.

CM Nobile - What is the difference between a bar and a bottle club; why is a bottle club a problem and a bar is not? Sr. Commander Carman - Bars are regulated more strictly; bottle clubs don't have to get a liquor license; you leave a bottle there with your name on it; they don't abide by the rules; they are open until 5:00 a.m. or not regulating their hours; trashing the place, vandalism; nightmare for code enforcement and for business owners; not regulated the way they should be. If you do that in a bar, they will close the bar down. Attorney Reischmann added it has a lot to do with the liquor license, and they are heavily regulated.

CM McGuire - In Florida are you culpable if you serve someone that is intoxicated? Attorney Reischmann - Yes, they could be found liable; that is a civil matter. He will research and get an answer if bottle clubs are culpable.

Mayor Netts - This is a business not appropriate within the City of Palm Coast; there are many other types of businesses that are also not permitted in the City.

CM DeLorenzo - Definition question in proposed ordinance because it is not uncommon for nonprofits to hold a fundraising outing and to bring their own beverages to the outing - Section I, line 6"... which is located in a building or other enclosed permanent structure." Does that protect the nonprofits holding that type of

an outing if at least it is outside? Mr. Hoover - The last sentence(s) is rather important, because Florida Statutes lists 6 things; clubs are automatically excluded. The City Attorney's office looked hard to make sure the planning board (PLDRB) looks at this closely for that reason. Attorney Reischmann - At the very end of it, what it says is not a bottle club ". . . is a civic association or organization which only occasionally or intermittently provides facilities for on-premises consumption of alcoholic. . . " and he also mentioned the private clubs listed in State Statutory (last line); we tried to think of all the potential uses that are not a concern today.

CM DeLorenzo - Golf tournaments, held at a commercial establishment by a nonprofit bringing alcoholic beverages on the premises for consumption; is there protection for that scenario? Attorney Reischmann - He will pull the statute and look at that; he referred to the definition in Section 1 of the proposed ordinance.

CM McGuire - What kind of audience did you get at the PLDRB meetings, etc.? Mr. Tyner - None opposing it. Mr. Landon - We are all concerned about the unintended consequences.

Mayor Netts - To CM DeLorenzo's and CM Nobile's concerns, why don't we contact Hillsborough and Volusia County and others that have similar ordinances to see if there has been an inadvertent inclusion of unintended legitimate businesses? Mr. Tyner - Will do.

The Ordinance was Continued.

#### 3 16-70

### PRESENTATION ON THE NATIONAL CITIZEN SURVEY RESULTS FOR 2015

Attachments: 2015 NCS Scientific Results

2015 NCS Web Results Not Scientific

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item. Ms. Denise Bevan, City Administration Coordinator, gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached to these minutes).

CM DeLorenzo - Are there any trends in the returns of the surveys? Ms. Bevan a little bump 34%, compared to 33% last year.

CM McGuire - What is the difference between path and walking trail? Ms. Bevan - They were the same on the survey. CM McGuire mentioned that because the TDC pushes the bicycling and riding trails in Palm Coast as a major attraction because we have more than a lot of cities do; well maintained. Mr. Landon - We usually call them multi-purpose paths because that is what the FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) will fund; really it is whoever is filling out the survey.

CM DeLorenzo - Do you have any thoughts or feedback on why overall feeling of safety is below 80%, but they feel safe in their neighborhood and commercial areas? Ms. Bevan - It is the nature of the questions right next to it. The team looks at this carefully, it could be timing; maybe they had an unfortunate circumstance or what is in the media. Mayor Netts - It could be because of the media and other areas, crime, etc.

CM McGuire - 12% of people surveyed thought the public appearance wasn't what it should be, and 6% think it should be decreased, what do you make of that? Mr. Landon - Planting trees and landscaping in the medians, there are always some people that think it is a waste of money.

CM McGuire - Did we ask any of the participants that have been through our citizens' academy? Ms. Bevan - Random sample, no targeting, with the web survey it is open to everybody.

Mayor Netts - On the web survey is there anything that prevents a respondent from responding more than once? Ms. Bevan - No.

CM DeLorenzo - Was the survey open for a month? Ms. Bevan - Yes.

CM DeLorenzo - Survey takers at City events? Ms. Bevan - We have done that but not to this degree; we are out there doing these activities but in a different way; this is a comprehensive survey.

VM Shipley - Is this a national survey? Ms. Bevan - Yes. Mr. Landon - This is a national survey so they require these to stay the same to compare the different cities. The web surveys are prepared by us.

CM DeLorenzo - What is the cost? Ms. Bevan - 2011 it was around \$9,000; now it is around \$15,000.

CM Nobile - Why don't we do it every 2-3 years; don't do it every year; however every year in between let's do the unscientific method and drill down on the less favorable points. Ms. Bevan - Yes, excellent point; targeted surveys; we do that now; harness the information and use it.

VM Shipley asked if there is a way to kick back a question to someone that answers a survey (to get their current opinion). Mr. Landon - No, anonymous survey.

CM DeLorenzo would like to see a customer service based kiosk or tablet available (in City Hall) to give people the opportunity to give feedback from their experience at City Hall.

CM McGuire - The issue that he sees is if you do a citizens' survey and five years from now you do the same survey to the same people, now you have something; but random surveys he didn't see where this survey helps him become a better City Council Member.

CM Nobile - This information is not enough; you have to have information to make decisions; get more data; it has to have an actable formulation; more people involved.

There was further discussion about the values, trends of the surveys; where things have improved.

Mayor Netts expressed the more information we receive the better; this is just one more source; we can refine what is needed and can be done for the City.

VM Shipley asked for a comparison from a few years ago to see the difference.

Mayor Netts - We may want to do a statistical survey every other year and targeted surveys in between.

Mayor Netts expressed there is so much information gathering; it all comes together to help with the budget process; it is not typical.

The Presentation was Received and Filed.

PRESENTATION ON THE PALM COAST STREET SWEEPER

#### **PROGRAM**

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item. Mr. Nestor Abreu, Public Works Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached to these minutes).

CM McGuire - \$11,000 cost, how many hours? Mr. Abreu - 10 hours overtime (after hours) once a week average; \$14-16 per hour/time and a half.

CM McGuire - Weekly? Mr. Landon - Annually, 70 miles twice a month.

CM McGuire - Does that cost \$53,000 FTE (full time employee) include fringe (Citywide sweeping program costs slide)? Messrs. Abreu and Landon - Yes.

CM DeLorenzo - How much will it be able to accomplish? Mr. Abreu - For a year we would say every street, every neighborhood, 4 times a year and continue doing what we are doing.

CM McGuire - Where would you keep this piece of equipment? Mr. Abreu - In the yard off U.S.1.

CM McGuire - Is this equipment available as CNG (compressed natural gas)? Mr. Abreu - Perhaps, we are not there yet.

CM McGuire - Should we consider leasing something until we find out if it does the job or not? Mr. Abreu - We are looking for direction.

VM Shipley - Would you still be doing it at night? Mr. Abreu - When we do major arterial roads at night it works great, but in the neighborhoods with cats and dogs; we are not sure yet; it's a challenge.

CM DeLorenzo - It is probably too noisy to run in the middle of the night.

CM DeLorenzo - Flat .27 cents on all stormwater fees, commercial and residential (Funding Option slide)? Mr. Quinn - Per ERU (equivalent residential unit) per month. Mr. Landon - Commercial would be more.

VM Shipley - Are there enough streets that need this? Mr. Landon - That is up to Council if you want to do this.

CM Nobile's opinion with what we are doing now with main roads is fine; he doesn't see spending any money on this; doesn't want to raise any fees or tax money for this. It doesn't need to be done on a regular basis; blower behind gator on a complaint basis.

CM McGuire suggested it could be maintained in connection with swale maintenance.

Council consensus.

CM DeLorenzo - During the winter when there is less mowing; with trash and recycling, the garbage gets into the streets. Can we look at, with the next provider, a different type of container that holds the recycling so it can't get out as easily; something to consider to slow down the trash on the streets? Mr. Landon mentioned there are smaller containers with lids, similar to the large garbage cans, that can be used for recycling; it can be put in (bid specs) as an alternative.

CM McGuire - He would like to see the street sweeper without overtime; maybe part-time.

#### The Presentation was Received and Filed.

#### **5** 16-69

### PRESENTATION - BACKGROUND & HISTORY OF PALM HARBOR GOLF COURSE AND PALM COAST TENNIS CENTER

Mr. Landon gave a PowerPoint presentation (attached to these minutes).

CM McGuire - What is the recovery column (Palm Harbor Today - As an Amenity slide)? Mr. Landon - It is the percentage of recovery of expenses.

CM DeLorenzo suggested to start the procurement process; why pay the management company to lose money; we could manage it ourselves.

Mayor Netts - Flagler Beach opened a 9 hole golf course; if their course is successful maybe we could change ours to a 9 hole course and rezone the other portion for some other use; we need to look at the big picture. To CM DeLorenzo's point, we have some good Public Works staff; bringing that operation in-house we are not going to save all the \$96,000 we are paying KemperSports but a portion of it. Mr. Landon - We still have to hire someone that knows how to run a golf course.

CM DeLorenzo - Has there been any move for developable land by Centex; has there been an analysis done, golf course without a driving range; what is the tradeoff there; how will we accomplish that; will we still have an area for a temporary clubhouse, etc.? Mr. Landon - Centex just merged with Pulte and they have shown no interest in developing the property (driving range that the City is leasing); they are trying to sell it; it has been up for sale, they want to sell it all as a package. We understand that the property is under contract now; the development order that allows for residential units in that area has expired which means we have to sit down with negotiations as to what that means; we are basically on hold until such time a new buyer purchases the property.

CM DeLorenzo - How many units between the two pieces of property? Mayor Netts - About 60-80 probably.

Mayor Netts - Let's start the procurement process and see what happens; what our options are. Mr. Landon - We will bring some things back.

CM McGuire - When you look at what you would have to spend to take over the management of it, there was not a lot savings maybe \$30,000-\$60,000. CM DeLorenzo - That may be true, but why give that money away?

CM Nobile - It looks like it will be close. If we go with a lease, we can terminate a (lease) contract rather than let go employees.

VM Shipley - Foot golf? Mr. Landon - If we are going to lease it, we don't want to start that program. If the City takes it over, yes we will put foot golf in for something to offer the community. We don't think right now is a good time, because we don't know who is going to be responsible for the golf course.

CM McGuire - He would like the procurement to go out as two separate processes; golf separate from tennis.

The Presentation was Received and Filed.

#### E. WRITTEN ITEMS

#### 6 <u>16-66</u>

## RESOLUTION 2016-XX APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH THE FIRM SHUFFIELDLOWMAN FOR HEARING OFFICER SERVICES

**Attachments:** Resolution Hearing Officer Services

Contract Summary - ShuffieldLowman Hearing Officer Services

**Intent to Award** 

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item.

CM McGuire - What is the contract length? Attorney Reischmann - Term of 3 years; for code enforcement she will only be here when her services are needed.

CM McGuire asked if she was better than the last red light camera hearing officer. Ms. Barbara Grossman, Code Enforcement Manager - Nicole (Turcotte, Esq.) is very good, and we will be glad to have her back.

The Resolution was Continued.

#### 7 16-76

# RESOLUTION 2016-XX APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FLAGLER COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR THE 2016 CITY ELECTIONS

<u>Attachments:</u> Resolution IA SOE Election Services

Interlocal Agreement SOE for Election Services

Mr. Landon gave a brief overview of this item.

CM McGuire - There is legislation before the Florida legislature right now, are we looking at any difficulties should it pass? Mr. Landon - We don't think it is going to change the year or time that we are going to hold elections. Attorney Reischmann - We are already having our elections on even years; we don't believe that the new legislation will affect us.

CM McGuire - Will there be a cancellation clause? Mr. Landon - This interlocal agreement is only for this year so it wouldn't affect this agreement.

Ms. Kaiti Lenhart, Flagler County Supervisor of Elections - Do you know if there are going to be any referendum items at this point that would add to the ballot? Mayor Netts - Not that we are aware of.

Ms. Lenhart spoke of her office's efforts to get the word out to vote and Flagler County is now considered a medium-sized county.

The Resolution was Continued.

#### **Public Participation**

Public Participation shall be held in accordance with Section 286.0114 Florida Statutes. After the Mayor calls for public participation each member of the audience interested in speaking on topics on the workshop agenda or any topic or proposition not on the agenda, shall come to the podium and state their name. Each speaker will have up to three (3) minutes each to speak. The Mayor will advise when the three (3) minutes are up and the speaker will be asked to take a seat and wait until all public comments are finished to hear answers to all questions. Once all members of the audience have spoken, the Mayor will close public participation and no other questions/comments shall be heard. Council and staff will then respond to questions posed by members of the audience. Should you wish to provide Council with any material, all items shall be given to the City Clerk and made part of the record. If anyone is interested in discussing an issue further or ask additional questions, individual Council Members and staff will be available after the meeting to discuss the matter and answer questions.

Jack Carall - What is going on with the earphones (hearing assistance)? He is having a hard time hearing at workshops. When you have an open meeting, regular (business) meeting, discussion is open to public after each item; do it similar in workshops.

Mr. Niles - Lived in Seminole Woods for the past 24 years. Why has multi-purpose path work stopped; when is it going to resume; City workers did a fabulous job; when is it going to start?

George Mayo - Last week Sheriff Manfre gave a presentation and mentioned license readers; past Sunday there was an article on license plate readers in Rhode Island. The expected to find stolen cars and amber alert people; what they found was 17 mil. alerts on vehicles for suspended licenses and unpaid registrations; overtime has gone up tremendously from these meters; lawsuits regarding privacy acts, etc. Think this through before approving.

Milissa Holland - The community survey; if you go out to the community and ask them to participate, most times you will find residents will do so. She chaired the census count and she asked to be put on the agenda at every event, meeting that was going on with different organizations throughout the community during that time period. Everyone did participate and they ended up getting the 5th highest return in the Country. Her suggestion is to get out in the community and ask residents to participate.

John Brady - He had a letter to the editor published in the Daytona News Journal last Saturday regarding a successful experiment he did in his home with a hot water accelerator and sensor used on the farthest bathroom from the hot water heater. Every new house should be required to have this device; \$200 for the part and about \$300 for the plumber; he suggested these be mandated for new homes constructed.

Kevin Guthrie - County Administration sent him to make the offer to answer questions about the (800 MHz) radio system.

Kaiti Lenhart (Flagler County Supervisor of Elections) - Great experience working with City Clerk Virginia Smith and expediting the interlocal agreement for the 2016 elections; spoke of the 4th whereas clause to reduce public costs; this is really key to save that money and have better voter turnout. She always welcomes anyone to ask questions.

CM McGuire - He read that voter registration is the highest it has ever been, what do you attribute that to? Ms. Lenhart - There is a lot of interest in the elections this year, Presidential year, registration totals right now pushes us over the edge of a small-sized county, we are a medium-sized county now; voter registration drives; outreach programs; a lot of people don't have access to computers; it's our job to get out in the community to talk to people.

#### Answers:

Mayor Netts - Earphones, what can we do to improve them? Mr. Landon - They should be working; we will figure it out.

Mayor Netts - Timing of public comments, the reason we are following the procedure we are following is because this is the policy that was set out by City Council. If City Council wants to change it for discussion after each agenda item, they can do that any time they wish. CM Nobile - We don't always have staff available.

Mr. Landon - Multi-purpose path, two more segments. The path along Seminole Woods has been completed from State Road 100 to Sesame Blvd. and that was done by City crews with City tax dollars. The phase along Seminole Woods Blvd., we actually received a grant from FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) through the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization, better known as our TPO. The FDOT grant does not allow cities to use their own crews; they require us to contract out with a private contractor. So, we have gone through that process and received one bidder. We were not happy with what we saw so we are going out to rebid; the contract will come back to City Council. It will be completed in 2016. The next phase which is the Sesame Blvd./Citation loop, we delayed that, it is going to be completed by City crews, because of our raw water line project. We are in the process of drilling new wells in that area; the route would be underneath the new path; we don't want to construct and go back and dig it up, etc. State funding takes longer, but it is a great project and our crews did a great job so far.

Mayor Netts - License plate readers, forewarned is forearmed; point well taken.

Mayor Netts - Publicity on the survey, that makes good sense also. City Council is asked to speak at a variety of events; it can be an opportunity to talk about the surveys; let's add that to our list of things we can talk about.

Mayor Netts - Questions about the proposed radio system, there are some very significant questions in his mind. CM Nobile made a point that borrowing money for technology that has a relatively short lifespan does not make sense; he agrees with that completely. We have a fleet replacement fund that is going beyond fleet; expense advisor. He likes the idea of setting money aside so we can pay cash without finance charges, however, we don't know when the new radio system is going to be installed, we don't know whether our equipment will be adaptable/compatible, we don't know what the City of Palm Coast is going to be asked to contribute. We need some data, how much are we putting aside and how often; a lot of unanswered questions.

Mayor Netts - Hot water accelerators, interesting but you are still using electricity to heat the water; there are other approaches tankless hot water heaters; temperature setting element and others. He is opposed to the City mandating any of these. The City does offer impact fee credits, inducements, for following Water Star standards. He is proud of the fact that for the second cycle, the City has been awarded the Green building certification.

#### F. DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

CM DeLorenzo - Are we doing an evaluation with what radios may be able to be used with the new technology and which will not be able to be used? If we go with one of the open systems and not stuck to a particular radio; have we looked at what we can use and what we absolutely can't use? Mr. Landon - Two big issues when it comes to the radio system, there is a backbone tower system. This system will go on until 2021, it is not a matter of getting the answer, it is a matter of discussing how we might be able to advance that schedule because the factor that the manufacturer of the current system is not going to support after 2017. Secondly, are the individual radios - mounted in vehicles, handheld, used by fire, parks; that is more our responsibility and we have already set up a team to start looking at exactly what that is going to be. We need some answers for ourselves, we don't have to have direct answers from the County, but you are right we have to make sure what we put together is compatible and makes sense for whatever the backbone system is. That is why we think it is important that we all sit down; the other cities also; the two largest users are the Sheriff's Office and the City. We are moving forward. Everything is going to be P22, phase 2.

CM DeLorenzo - We can still do an evaluation of the radios and whether they are going to be compatible. Mr. Landon - We are going to do whatever we can; we have to figure out what our costs are going to be. Mayor Netts - That is the big difference, if we said we didn't care let's wait until 2021 and we will borrow whatever money is necessary, you can do that but that has not been the direction of City Council. He would like to be sure that in 2021 the new backbone goes in place and we have adequate funds to change, upgrade, and/or modify our radios so we don't have any huge bloom of expenditure. The other issue in the media was a suggestion that there needs to be additional towers, maybe some in Palm Coast; fewer higher towers or numerous shorter towers. We may get some push back from the public. We need some information now so we can be in planning for that.

Mr. Landon - Some of you heard that a couple of weeks ago our radio system went out. Yes, the City's backup did not work and we were without radio service for a short time and he believes the County's fire channels worked but not law enforcement. To his knowledge there was no major catastrophe as a result of that. Law enforcement went to fire channels and got through. It went down for hours, then this weekend our computer dispatch system went down. This time it was the City's mobile units and the County computer people were switching over, upgrading to a new server, as a result of the problems they had with their CAD system. When they upgraded the new server we knew everybody was going to be down for the flip of the switch but when it came back up our mobile units wouldn't talk to the server; this was last Friday through the weekend. The vendor came in on Monday and got us back up. Once again, no major incident but it sure highlights the importance of getting the communications system upgraded. Our firefighters don't have the notes that they normally have as to what is in that building and any special cases; all those things we rely on these days with telecommunications, it is a big deal. We know Council is all interested in this and we will keep you informed.

VM Shipley said she received an email regarding seismic testing and the recent resolution adopted opposing hydraulic fracturing can't be used with regards to seismic testing. The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management sent a template that can be filled out; if we could do that. Mr. Landon - Do you want us to put something together to bring back to Council? Council consensus.

VM Shipley - She has been getting phone calls lately for senior centers. She usually

tells them to go to the Community Center and there are activities there but they are specific that they want senior daycare. She knows there is a facility on Belle Terre. She knows it is County and not City but was wondering if maybe we can work with the County to get them to expand what they have there. CM DeLorenzo - He told the representative of the group that is leading this effort that he never hears from the seniors about their wishes about a senior center and what exactly they are looking for. They need to be educated on what is available, because they think there is nothing and that is not true. VM Shipley - She let them know about the facility on Old Kings Road for activities but they are looking for a bus to pick them up bring them somewhere for the day and bring them back. CM Nobile gets similar daily calls and he explains to them the County's transportation and what is available; that education component can help. Mr. Landon - Our Community Center, we don't have a nurse or infrastructure or resources for daycare, but the County does have those programs. They have one facility in Flagler Beach and one on Belle Terre Blvd., south of SR100. CM DeLorenzo said he explained to callers the expansion plans for the Community Center and they were excited about it; that communication is helpful, we just have to get the word out about what is available.

#### G. DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No comments.

#### H. DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER OF MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No comments.

#### I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Redline

#### 16-74 MEETINGS CALENDAR AND AGENDA WORKSHEET

Attachments: Agenda Worksheet

**Meetings Calendar** 

#### ATTACHMENT TO MINUTES

#### 16-81 ATTACHMENTS TO MINUTES

<u>Attachments:</u> 1-2007 Utility Revenue Bond Discussion 022316

2-Bottle Club Ordinance CC Workshop on 2-23-16

3-2015 NCS Results

4-Street Sweeper Presentation Public Works

5-Palm Harbor Golf Course History and Background 2-19-16