

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 26, 2021
3000 Bellemead Drive, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR

Present: Mayor Nancy Miller, Councilmember Richard Bryan, Councilmember Richard Frizalone, Vice Mayor Mel Lindauer, Councilmember Michael Politis

Staff: City Manager Michael T. Booker, City Clerk Cheri Schwab, City Attorney John Cary, Community Services Director Fred Hiatt, City Planner Stewart Cruz, Finance Director Kurt Swartzlander, and Public Safety Director Stephan Dembinsky.

2. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

3. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Goals submitted by Mayor Miller

Mayor Miller began by stating she felt Public Safety vacancies were a top priority. Director Dembinsky provided a few reasons for the recent turnover that included: recent country wide media onslaught against LEOs, retirement, pay & benefits, and other personal reasons. By mid February he expects to be short 30% in sworn personnel. The Mayor's second goal was annexation. The City Manager explained that he had met with the new County Manager regarding annexing the enclaves and he was receptive to the idea. Future meetings with County Councilmembers would be needed as a majority vote is required. The other alternative is to form an Annexation Committee and approach small groupings of properties that are contiguous to city property. The third goal was sewer redundancy and Director Hiatt spoke on that. Currently, there is only one sewer line from the city that flows under the river to Port Orange. If it fails, there is no second option. A few years ago, the City approached Daytona Beach to construct a line but negotiations fell through. He felt it would be ideal to have a line that ran to both Port Orange and Daytona Beach, but at least one backup line was needed. The Mayor's final goal was sewer force mains. Director Hiatt explained that our contract engineering firm was working on mapping out the existing sewer lines. Many lines were built in the 1960's and there is no real maintenance you can do on them.

B. Goals submitted by Vice Mayor Lindauer

Vice Mayor Lindauer was unsure how the city could detect any damage caused by the virus to businesses. As the city receives revenue from the county and state, the amounts from certain areas could be lower. He encouraged the other members to stop in to the local businesses and use their services. His second goal regarding citizen access he asked to withdraw. Residents know they have access to us through the Pelican, Coffee with the Mayor or just a simple phone call. His final item regarding working together as a council has remedied itself.

C. Goals submitted by Councilmember Bryan

CMBR Bryan began by explaining that he preferred to use the word objective rather than goal. He listed more than was requested and felt that most did not require much time to complete.

A few of them dealt with communicating with the residents. It was explained that the city had a current condo email listing and emergency blasts were sent out. Information is also posted on the City's various Facebook pages. CMBR Bryan would like the ability to poll the residents. The city has the ability to do this now with our current webpage. It is very important how the question is worded in order to obtain impartial results. The final item discussed was the Charter revision. Attorney Cary explained that Attorney Wade Vose was an expert with their firm and had begun preliminary work. He will hold workshops to determine the direction the council would like to proceed and have it ready for either a special election or the ballot in 2022.

D. Goals submitted by Councilmember Frizalone

CMBR Frizalone would like to see the Oceans 25 townhome project completed this year. He felt they were on track to complete that. He explained that he had numerous phone calls with representatives from both Acers Capital and Concord Hotel Group regarding the Treasure Island property. He felt the project was 99% a done deal. The development would be a Marriott Tribute hotel with eleven stories and 266 rooms. They hope to meet with staff in mid February to discuss their plans.

E. Goals submitted by Councilmember Politis

CMBR Politis explained that he receives feedback from residents, friends and visitors. Most of what he hears is the deteriorating condition on the smaller motels and businesses. Director Hiatt explained that the city could no longer control the color choices. He added that concrete deterioration is always an issue. Usually maintenance men do an inferior patch job instead of a true concrete restoration. It was determined to have Code Enforcement pay closer attention and to send out notices. CMBR Politis' other goal concerned crosswalks. He requested better signage and consistency on all the crosswalks.

4. ADJOURNMENT:

The Councilmembers decided to focus on the following goals for 2021:
Public Safety vacancies - there will be a workshop on Monday Feb. 1st for further discussion
development of Treasure Island property
annexation
sewer redundancy
charter review

The workshop ended at 5:45 pm.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK, CHERI SCHWAB