



**City Council Meeting
City of Belleair Beach, Florida**

**Monday, March 6, 2023
Community Center, 6:00 PM**

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Gattis. Mayor Gattis gave the invocation, followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers Frank Bankard, Belinda Livingstone, Lloyd Roberts, and Mike Zabel; Mayor Dave Gattis, Vice Mayor Jody Shirley, City Manager Kyle Riefler, City Clerk Patricia Gentry, and City Attorney Randy D. Mora. Councilmember Leslie Notaro was unable to attend.

For continuity, items are listed in agenda order although not necessarily discussed in that order.

1. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Zabel to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed 6-0.

2. Citizens Comments. (Each speaker will be recognized once and will be limited to a (3) three-minute presentation on any subject that is not on the Agenda)

Citizens Comments included, in part:

- Traffic turn lanes at Gulf and Causeway Boulevards
- Disability accommodations for beach access; and disabled child signage for 21st Street
- Belleair Beach Community Foundation upcoming events and opportunities

3. Presentation: Pinellas County Sewer Rehabilitation Project.

Representatives from Pinellas County and Inliner Solutions were present to address their lack of communication with the City regarding the project, issues while the work was in process, and to answer questions from Council.

4. Presentation: Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

- **Law Enforcement monthly report**
Sergeant Swiech reviewed the monthly report in the Packet
- **Code Enforcement monthly report**
City Manager Riefler reviewed the monthly report

POINT OF ORDER was called by Mayor Gattis for the discussion between Councilmember Bankard and City Attorney Mora to remain calm.

POINT OF ORDER was called by Vice Mayor Shirley to Councilmember Bankard's comments as attacking the Mayor.

POINT OF ORDER was called by Councilmember Zabel to Councilmember Bankard's comments as attacking the Mayor.

5. Presentation: Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue District.

- Assistant Chief Doug Higley gave a PSFRD update
 - PSFRD is requesting funds to further improve the call response times, and other items
 - PSFRD is planning a Hurricane Expo with City Manager Riefler and hopes other municipalities in the District will participate

6. Presentation: Councilmember Belinda Livingstone

- **Completion of Orientation for Newly Elected Officials**
- **Completion of IEMO I**

Mayor Gattis presented Councilmember Livingstone with the Certificate for Orientation for Newly Elected Officials, and the Certificate for Completion of IEMO I.

7. Consideration of Accepting the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2022. (Presented by Saltmarsh, Cleaveland, and Gund, Certified Public Accountants)

MOTION was made by Councilmember Roberts and seconded by Vice Mayor Shirley for the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).

Mr. Chuck Landers of Saltmarsh, Cleaveland, and Gund reviewed the ACFR and advised:

- Page 23 - 'Expenditures' 'Deficiency of revenues under expenditures' should read '**Excess** of revenues under expenditures'
- Page 44 - Note 4 - 'Receivables and Due From Other Governments' He advised he would need a statement from Council that the \$196,915.00 fines for code violations in the accounts receivable for the general fund will not be forgiven and are fully collectible, or if that "asset" is to be lowered - a dollar

amount would have to be provided to the auditor before the final audit opinion could be given

MOTION was made by Councilmember Roberts and seconded by Vice Mayor Shirley to amend the agenda item to add the word **DRAFT** to the agenda item title.

Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Shirley and seconded by Councilmember Zabel to accept the DRAFT Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2022.

Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Shirley and seconded by Councilmember Roberts to appoint a member of City Council to the Audit Committee.

Motion passed 6-0.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Zabel and duly seconded to appoint Vice Mayor Shirley to the Audit Committee.

Motion passed 6-0.

The ACFR will be reviewed by the Audit Committee next.

8. City Attorney Report.

City Attorney Mora reviewed items he had been working on including the sign ordinance.

9. City Manager Report.

City Manager Riefler reviewed his monthly report in the Agenda Packet, in part:

- Stormwater Project
- Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding Project
- Buoys
- Code enforcement analysis project
- Red Tide update
- Working through the budget process

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Zabel to install a 'Disabled Child' sign for 21st Street.

City Manager Riefler will research what disability accommodation can be made for the beach access.

10. City Clerk Report.

None.

Public Hearing

11. Consideration of Ordinance 23-01, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Belleair Beach, Florida; Amending Section 94-220 Pertaining To The Table Of Designated Living Areas And Housing Setbacks; Providing For Severability; And Providing For An Effective Date. (City Attorney Mora) (Second Reading)

City Attorney Mora read Ordinance 23-01 by Title only.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Shirley and seconded by Councilmember Roberts for Ordinance 23-01.

Councilmember Bankard	Yes
Councilmember Livingstone	Yes
Councilmember Roberts	Aye
Councilmember Zabel	Aye
Vice Mayor Shirley	Aye
Mayor Gattis	Aye

Motion passed 6-0.

Consent Agenda

12. Approval of February 6, 2023, City Council Meeting Minutes.

13. Proclamation: Proclaiming March 2023 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Roberts to approve the Consent Agenda.

Motion passed 6-0.

Regular Agenda

14. Consideration of Resolution 2023-01, Parking Rates at City Parking Lots. (City Attorney will send)

City Attorney Mora read Resolution 2023-01 by Title only.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Zabel and seconded by Councilmember Bankard for Resolution 2023-01.

Discussion followed to Amend Resolution 2023-01 for 'Max Hours' to be three (3) hours for all parks.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Vice Mayor Shirley to Amend Resolution 2023-01 for 'Max Hours' to be three (3) hours for all parks.

Motion passed 6-0.

Vote to pass Resolution 2023-01 as Amended:

Councilmember Bankard	Yes
Councilmember Livingstone	Yes
Councilmember Roberts	Aye
Councilmember Zabel	Aye
Vice Mayor Shirley	Aye
Mayor Gattis	Aye

Passed 6-0.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Zabel and seconded by Councilmember Bankard to make Resolution 2023-01 effective immediately upon adoption.

Councilmember Bankard	Yes
Councilmember Livingstone	Yes
Councilmember Roberts	Aye
Councilmember Zabel	Aye
Vice Mayor Shirley	Aye
Mayor Gattis	Aye

Motion passed 6-0.

15. Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Piggyback Agreement with Parkmobile LLC. (City Manager Riefler)

MOTION was made by Councilmember Zabel and seconded by Councilmember Bankard to Authorize the City Manager to Execute a Piggyback Agreement with Parkmobile LLC.

Councilmember Bankard	Yes
Councilmember Livingstone	Yes
Councilmember Roberts	Aye
Councilmember Zabel	Aye
Vice Mayor Shirley	Aye
Mayor Gattis	Aye

Motion passed 6-0.

16. Unfinished Business.

It was determined to have a discussion to modify the fine for parking violations at the next work session.

17. City Council Comments.

Councilmember Zabel thanked Councilmember Roberts for his presentation.

Councilmember Roberts thanked everyone for their comments on the traffic issue. He advised that with the consensus of Council he had met with Tom Washburn of Pinellas County. Pinellas County will be doing a study on the left turn lanes at Gulf and Causeway Boulevards and invite citizen input.

Councilmember Livingstone thanked Councilmember Roberts for the information on the traffic issue. She thanked the Citizens for coming and stated that Council takes their comments very seriously. She also thanked Councilmember Bankard for bringing forward the signage for the disabled child.

Councilmember Bankard stated for the record that he was not attacking the Mayor, he is very passionate about the issue because he believes that it is dangerous, but he did not intend to come across as attacking the Mayor. He thanked Park and Recreation Board Chair Tammie Levenda for organizing the Pinellas County Animal Services donations, and the Residents that had made the donations. He had delivered the donations to PCAS and they were very, very grateful. He believes the crosswalk and the island should remain as they are.

Vice Mayor Shirley advised that she had attended the Mayors' Council luncheon where the Florida League of Cities did a legislative update. There are a number of bills to watch for:

- SB 714 short-term rentals
- HB 671-SB 682 that the FLC recommends opposing - it requires that permits be approved in a very short amount of time or there are consequences
- FLC is offering a 9:00am call-in for live updates that all of Council should take a look at

She suggested that bike racks be discussed at the next work session.

Mayor Gattis stated that it does not look like beach nourishment is going to be provided through the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers or federal funds. He advised that he, Mayor Bill Queen-North Redington Beach, and Mayor Pat Soranno-Indian Shores have been meeting with the County Commissioners to discuss using the bed tax money that the County collects from the beaches that is

reserved for the beach nourishment. He has also met with Senator Hooper for State funding and has other upcoming meetings. He believes they are making progress. He thanked everyone present and watching remotely for attending the meeting.

ADJOURN

MOTION was made by Councilmember Bankard and seconded by Councilmember Zabel to adjourn at 8:43pm.

Motion passed 6-0.

April 3 2023
Date Approved

APPROVED: Dave Gattis
Dave Gattis, Mayor

ATTEST: Patricia A. Gentry
Patricia A. Gentry, City Clerk