

**CITY OF
MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**



**August 2, 2022 City Hall
510 N. Baker St.
Mount Dora, FL 32757**

CALL TO ORDER

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Mayor Crissy Stile called the Regular Session of City Council to order at 6:00 pm in the Mount Dora Council Chambers.

MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Cataldo led a Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

Members Present

Crissy Stile, Mayor
Marc Crail, Vice-Mayor
John Cataldo, District 1
Cal Rolfson, District 2
Austin Guenther, District 3
Nate Walker, District 5
Doug Bryant, At Large

Also Present

Patrick C. Comiskey, City Manager
Sherry G. Sutphen, City Attorney
Jessica Burnham, City Clerk

PRESENTATIONS

1. Home Rule Hero Award

Lynn Tipton, Florida League of Cities, presented Councilmember Rolfson with the Home Rule Hero Award.

Councilmember Rolfson accepted the award and stated what an honor it was to receive it.

2. Recognition of the Chamber of Commerce for the Mount Dora Bicycle Festival

Mayor Stile presented the Chamber of Commerce of Mount Dora with an award for the Bicycle Festival that they have put on for the past forty-seven years.

Rachel O'Ryan, Chamber President, spoke about the history of the event and mentioned that the Chamber is extremely excited that the City has decided to take this event on.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Stile opened public comment

Michelle Middleton, 112 East 5th Ave, provided thanks to Adam Sumner, Deputy Planning Director, for coming and speaking with the tenants of Mount Dora Market Place in regards to

the sign code. Ms. Middleton also stated that Leadership Lake County is hosting their political hob nob on August 9th from 5:30-9:30 pm.

Christine Harris, 402 Jackson, spoke on precinct changes within the county.

Mayor Stile closed public comment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON TO APPROVE THE AGENDA; COUNCILMEMBER WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

1. Planning and Zoning Commission

Councilmember Guenther recommended Cathy Hoechst be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

2. Lake County Arts and Cultural Alliance

Councilmember Rolfson recommended Jackii Molsick be appointed as an alternate member to the Lake County Arts and Cultural Alliance.

APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Request approval of Meeting Minutes
 - July 19, 2022 City Council Regular Session Minutes
 - July 25, 2022 City Council Work Session Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WALKER TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA; COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Request approval to waive fees for Mount Dora Pop Warner

Patrick Comiskey, City Manager, introduced the agenda item.

Michael Davis, Sports Coordinator, spoke on the agenda item and provided a history of the Pop Warner youth football league.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO WAIVE FEES FOR MOUNT DORA POP WARNER; COUNCILMEMBER WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES Councilmember Guenther
Councilmember Walker
Councilmember Bryant
Councilmember Cataldo
Councilmember Rolfson
Vice-Mayor Crail
Mayor Stile

NO None

2. Request approval of the Agreement between The Charter Board for Round Lake Elementary School and the City of Mount Dora for School Resource Officer Program 2022-2023

Mike Gibson, Interim Chief of Police, spoke on the agenda item and mentioned this is an agreement for the upcoming school year, 2022-2023, and in this agreement Round Lake Charter School has agreed to reimburse the city the salary and benefits for the Mount Dora police officer serving as the School Resource Officer (SRO) during the school year.

Councilmember Rolfson inquired about the training of the SRO officers, to which Interim Chief Gibson answered, the police officers at Mount Dora train hard for active threats.

Mayor Stile opened public comment.

Bobby Rowe, 1155 North Clayton Street, spoke about the Mount Dora police department training and stated they are above the curve on the training.

Mayor Stile closed public comment.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CHARTER BOARD FOR ROUND LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM 2022-2023; VICE-MAYOR CRAIL SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES Councilmember Rolfson
Vice-Mayor Crail
Councilmember Cataldo
Councilmember Guenther
Councilmember Walker
Councilmember Bryant
Mayor Stile

NO None

3. Request approval of the Agreement between the City of Mount Dora and Borrelli + Partners, Inc., for Design and Engineering for the Community Resource and Recreation Center

Deputy City Planner Sumner spoke on the agenda item and provided an overview of the agreement.

Discussion ensued on the evaluation committee, not prolonging this project any longer, the timeframe of the project, the two phases that are mentioned in the agreement, and clarification on the exhibit to the agreement.

Mayor Stile opened public comment

Josh Hemingway, 1171 East 5th Ave, stated the costs would go up twenty percent or more and mentioned that he was surprised at the size of the project.

Christine Harris, 402 Jackson, spoke about the library and inquired about the library being upgraded.

Bobby Rowe, 1151 North Clayton Street, stated we need to move forward with this project now.

Rona Rowe, 1641 Mountclair Court, mentioned the time is now to move on this project. It's been long overdue. The more we delay, the further we get away from this project.

Michelle Middleton, 112 East 5th Avenue, stated the Northeast district deserves this and we have delayed this project for too long.

Mayor Stile closed public input

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER WALKER TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA AND BORRELLI + PARTNERS, INC., FOR DESIGN AND ENGINEERING FOR THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND RECREATION CENTER WITH A CONTINGENCY OF SOME ACTIVITIES WILL OCCUR SIMULTANEOUSLY NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS IN TOTAL FOR COMPLETION OF PHASE ONE; COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES Councilmember Walker
 Councilmember Rolfson
 Councilmember Guenther
 Councilmember Bryant
 Councilmember Cataldo

Vice-Mayor Crail
Mayor Stile

NO None

PUBLIC HEARINGS - RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES

1. Request approval of First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-40, Change in Zoning – Lake County Water Authority (Greenbelt Zoning)

Ms. Sutphen read Ordinance No. 2022- 40, Change in Zoning- Lake County Water Authority (Greenbelt Zoning) by title only.

ORDINANCE NO: 2022-40

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO THE ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION CHANGE FOR THAT PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTH OF SR 46, TERMINUS OF ROBIE AVENUE, AND WEST SIDE OF ROUND LAKE ROAD; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION CHANGE; PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR NON-CODIFICATION AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vince Sandersfeld, Planning and Zoning Director, provided the council with an overview of the agenda item. Mr. Sandersfeld mentioned this zoning is a protection of the conservation. It has a conservation land use, so the assignment would be a greenbelt zoning.

Mayor Stile opened public comment.

Richard Hurley, 2032 Pine Hollow Drive, mentioned that he applauds the city for protecting the Wolf Branch Sink Preserve. Mr. Hurley presented the council with some history in regards to the Wolf Branch basin.

Ken Groves, 2061 Edgewater Drive, applauded the City for protecting this property as well and spoke on stormwater management for the Country Club of Mount Dora.

Kara Solebello, 30627 Round Lake Road, provided thanks for the explanation of the item.

Mayor Stile closed public comment.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON TO APPROVE FIRST READING

OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-40, CHANGE IN ZONING – LAKE COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY (GREENBELT ZONING); COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES Councilmember Rolfson
Councilmember Guenther
Councilmember Walker
Councilmember Bryant
Councilmember Cataldo
Vice-Mayor Crail
Mayor Stile

NO None

2. Request approval of First Reading of Ordinance No. 2022-11, Annexation for Mt. Dora Hills, LLC, et al (36.61 Acres)

Ms. Sutphen read Ordinance No. 2022- 11, Annexation for Mount Dora Hills, LLC, et al (36.61 Acres) by title only.

ORDINANCE NO: 2022-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT DORA, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO THE VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTH SIDE OF SR 46 AND EAST OF BUTTERCUP LANE; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT; PROVIDING FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION; PROVIDING FOR EFFECT OF ANNEXATION; PROVIDING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 2, CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR FILING REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR LIMITED CODIFICATION AND SCRIVENER’S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Planning and Zoning Director Sandersfeld provided council with an overview of the item and mentioned this property is eligible for annexation and, if approved, would be the first in the Wolf Branch Innovation District.

Discussion took place on the property being located near the greenbelt zoning that was just approved prior and the proper precautions that would be taken in regards to buffering and stormwater management.

Aaron Hakim, AMCO Development, stated they look at longtime goals for the community and they view the area of the greenbelt zoning behind them as an asset.

Mayor Stile opened public comment.

No one spoke.

Mayor Stile closed public comment.

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER GUENTHER TO APPROVE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2022-11, ANNEXATION FOR MT. DORA HILLS, LLC, ET AL (36.61 ACRES); COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE.

YES	Councilmember Guenther
	Councilmember Rolfson
	Councilmember Walker
	Councilmember Bryant
	Councilmember Cataldo
	Vice-Mayor Crail
	Mayor Stile

NO	None
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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Comiskey asked Wayne Zimmerman, Deputy Electric Director, to provide the council with an update on the electric utility costs in regards to the natural gas increase in price.

Discussion ensued on the natural gas increase.

City Manager Comiskey spoke about our EOC responses and stated that the city is ready to respond during a hurricane.

City Manager Comiskey provided the council with a staffing update, which included the appointment of Rita Meade as Interim Finance Director, Michael Gibson as Interim Chief of Police, Geroge Marek as Interim Public Works Director, Chris Gaw as Interim Utility Director, Cathy Lundy was promoted to Libiary Director, Aneta Barton was promoted to Budget Director, Misty Sommer was promoted to Economic Development Manager, and Adam Sumner has been promoted to the Deputy Planning and Zoning Director.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

No report

COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

1. Council Member John Cataldo

Councilmember Cataldo thanked Cathy Lunday, Library Director, for developing a new little library in District 1 and Chris Carson, Cultural and Special Events Coordinator, for putting together the Last Call Event.

2. Council Member Austin Guenther

No report

3. Council Member Cal Rolfson

Councilmember Rolfson spoke about current climate change.

Lake Care food pantry is one step closer to building their new facility.

4. Council Member Nate Walker

Councilmember Walker congratulated Councilmember Rolfson on the Home Rule Hero award and mentioned that Mount Dora high School would be holding their back to school event.

Renovation has officially started at Cauley Lott Park.

5. Council Member Doug Bryant

Councilmember Bryant stated this was a milestone and a notable evening as the council moved forward with the Community Resource and Recreation Center.

6. Vice-Mayor Marc Crail

Vice-Mayor Crail gave thanks to Molly Crall in the customer service department for her help with a problem he had and also congratulated Councilmember Rolfson.

He spoke about Curaleaf on Britt Road and mentioned the continuous odor problems coming from the facility that residents are concerned about and suggested the city reach out to Lake County as the address is in unincorporated Mount Dora.

7. Mayor Crissy Stile

Mayor Stile provided thanks to the staff for putting on a wonderful Last Call Event to end summer.

She also stated the renovation at Cauley Lott Park has started.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

1. August 16, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session

2. August 29, 2022, 10:00 AM, Budget Work Session
3. September 6, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session
4. September 20, 2022, 6:00 PM, Regular Session

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER ROLFSON TO ADJOURN; COUNCILMEMBER WALKER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION APPROVED BY A UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:59 p.m.


JESSICA BURNHAM
City Clerk



CRISSY STILE, MAYOR
City of Mount Dora

