

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE GREENWOOD TOWN COUNCIL
GREENWOOD, FLORIDA
November 15, 2016

The Town Council of the Town of Greenwood, Florida met in a regular session in the Greenwood Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on the 15th day of November, 2016. The place, time, and date here-to-fore established for the holding of such meetings.

Mayor Phyllis Bowman called the meeting to order.

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Mayor Bowman asked all present for a moment of silence in honor of Councilperson Kathryn Mickel .

The following answered present to roll call:

Mayor, Phyllis Bowman	Council Member, Mamie Vann
Suzanne M. Nesmith, Town Clerk	Council Member, Thomas Andreasen
Lisabeth Beutler, Deputy Clerk	George Little, Attorney

The Town Clerk declared a quorum present.

Others Present: Holly Ness, Pat Toloday, Wesley Mickel, Alicia Corder, Ethan Corder, Kenneth Corder, Cameron Corder, Jean Denestan, Ruth Bass, Rick Bass, Matt Matthews, Brook Bowman, Amy Baxter, Chad Taylor, Fran Taylor, Cindy Fitzgerald, Jimmy Nesmith, Maureen Utter, Neil Perry, Laura Perry, Mary Waller, Ruthie Barnes, Bessie Ferrell

Mayor Bowman spoke to Council on behalf of Debra Hynes from the Jackson County Library on the possibility of opening a satellite branch of the library at the Town Hall in Greenwood. This branch would be operated by the Jackson County Library with their own personnel. Mr. Chad Taylor with the Friends of the Library also spoke advising the Council that we are the first town that has shown interest in providing this benefit for our citizens. Attorney George Little will structure a hold harmless/indemnity agreement to protect the Town of Greenwood. A motion to approve a satellite branch of the Jackson County Library at the Town Hall contingent with a hold harmless/indemnity agreement was made by Thomas Andreasen. Second by Mamie Vann. Vote called. Andreasen – Yes. Vann – Yes. Passed.

Mayor Bowman updated Council on the status of the roof repairs for Town Hall. Kimberly Odom of the Florida League of Cities insurance program will be sending an engineer to inspect the damage and cause to determine if there is coverage for the loss. Council will be updated next month.

The Council discussed the annual holiday hams/turkeys and Christmas bonuses. Mamie suggested hams/turkeys for the Council, Mayor and Attorney and a \$100.00 Christmas bonus for all full time employees. Mrs. Vann also recommended a \$50.00 gift card for Willie Godfrey. A motion to approve ham/turkeys for Council, Mayor and Attorney Little only as well as a \$100.00 Christmas Bonus check for each full time employee and a \$50.00 gift card for Willie Godfrey was made by Mamie Vann. Second by Thomas Andreasen. Vote called. Vann – Yes. Andreasen– Yes. Passed.

A motion to approve the minutes for October and all financials as presented was made by Mamie Vann. Second by Thomas Andreasen. Vote called. Vann – Yes. Andreasen– Yes. Passed

Attorney George Little advised there are no pending legal issues. He advised that he is making progress on the internal audit.

Suzanne NeSmith gave clerk notes. Mrs. NeSmith advised that we have received confirmation that TRIM has been approved. Mrs. NeSmith also informed Council that all financials are now up to date. She read three thank you cards that were received by the Town of Greenwood. Mrs. NeSmith spoke to Council about a donation in honor of Councilperson Kathryn Mickel to Covenant Care and Gideons International in lieu of flowers as requested by Wesley Mickel. A motion to donate \$50.00 to each organization in memory of Councilperson Kathryn Mickel was made by Thomas Andreasen. Second by Mamie Vann. Vote called. Andreasen – Yes. Vann – Yes. Passed.

A Proclamation honoring Miss Lillie Harris on her 105th birthday was read by Mayor Bowman and presented to her daughter Mary Waller.

The Town of Greenwood will again hold an annual Christmas Party on Friday, December 16, 2016 from 1:00pm to 5:30pm.

Alicia Corder was sworn in as the new Town Clerk by Suzanne NeSmith. She was welcomed by all present.

Resolution 2016-11 Public Depository Report was put to Council. A motion to approve Resolution 2016-11 Public Depository Report was made by Thomas Andreasen. Second by Mamie Vann. Vote called. Andreasen – Yes. Vann – Yes. Passed

Mayor Bowman and Council thanked Suzanne NeSmith for all of her help and hard work during the transition period while acquiring a new Town Clerk. Mamie Vann suggested a bonus check of \$50.00 be given to Mrs. Nesmith for Christmas. A motion to approve a \$50.00 bonus check for Suzanne NeSmith was made by Mamie Vann. Second by Thomas Andreasen. Vote called. Vann – Yes. Andreasen– Yes. Passed

A motion to adjourn was made by Mamie Vann. Second by Thomas Andreasen. Vote called. Vann – Yes. Andreasen– Yes. Passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM. The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held on December 13, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisabeth Beutler
Deputy Clerk

Approved 13th day of Dec, 2016


Chairperson