



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

REGULAR COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 5:30 PM

Town Hall (Council Chamber) - 307 E Kennedy Blvd. 32751

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CALL TO ORDER AND VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:

Mayor Gardner called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and quorum was established through roll call by Mrs. Veronica King

PRESENT: (5) Councilwoman Wanda Randolph, Councilman Marlin Daniels, Councilman Theo Washington, Mayor Vice Mayor Rodney Daniels, Angie Gardner.

STAFF: (5) Demetrius Pressley, **Interim Chief Administrator Officer** Veronica King, **Town Clerk**, Clifford Shepard, **Attorney**, Joseph Jenkins, **Deputy Chief**, Katrina Gibson, **Finance Director**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Gardner led a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION - (The Three-minute rule was strictly enforced)

NY Nithiri – Request for public comments to be allowed also at the end of the Charter Review; would like to see more of a context as it pertains to the form of government; recommend bringing in an expert who can speak to the advantages of both the Council-Strong Mayor and the Council-Manager forms of government.

EXPLANATION OF CHARTER REVIEW:

Attorney Clifford Shepard provided guidance on how the Charter Review will be conducted. Next session on July 11, 2023 will provide an opportunity for public input participation of the "Parking Lot" Issues. Both kinds of government (Council-Strong Mayor and Council-Manager) have pros and cons, the Florida Municipal Officials' Manual put together by the Florida League of Cities previously provided at the June 13th Charter Review will provide unbiased information on the forms of government. At the next meeting (Parking Lot Matters), legal may look to present a visual aide that captures information to display on the upper monitor.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Charter Review of Articles 5 and 7 in the order as established in the Charter was facilitated by Attorney Clifford Shepard. Below is a list of matters discussed in the review of Articles 5 and 7.

Section 5.01 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes

Section 5.02 - Parking Lot Issue (Search to see if qualifying period is established in Ordinance)
- Parking Lot Issue (Special Districting)

Section 5.03 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes

Section 5.04 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes

Section 5.05 - Remove (There is statutory powers established in State Law)

Section 5.06 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes
Sections 6.01-6.02 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes
Sections 7.01-7.02 - No Recommendations or Need for Changes

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (REOPENED) – (The Three-minute rule was strictly enforced)

NY Nithiri – What is the allowance or the state guidelines for residency; the guidelines are determined by the Town Council and the residents. The Fair Housing Act protects renters against discrimination. Renters are considered residents who can run for office; must be a resident for twelve (12) months in order to run for an elected seat on Council. The water and utility bills are currently used to determine residency. Possibly consider if a homestead has been claimed; legal can put together a list to consider for proof of residency.

COMMENTS: (Legal) The 2nd draft of Sections 2.03 and 2.04 has been provided; it reflects the requested changes from Council.

ADJOURNMENT Mayor Gardner Motions for Adjournment of Meeting; Moved by Councilman Washington; Second by Councilman M. Daniels; **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES. Meeting Adjourned at 6:41 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

APPROVED

Veronica L King, Town Clerk

Angie Gardner, Mayor