Town Council New Councilor Orientation Workshop

December 10, 2024 at 1:00 PM
Howey-in the-Hills Town Hall
101 N. Palm Ave.,
Howey-in-the-Hills, FL 34737

AGENDA

Mayor Wells called the Town Council New Councilor Orientation Workshop to order at 1:07 p.m.
Mayor Wells led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL
Acknowledgement of Quorum

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Mayor Pro Tem Tim Everline | Councilor Jon Arnold | Councilor Reneé Lannamañ (via Zoom) | Councilor David Miles | Mayor Graham Wells

STAFF PRESENT:
Sean O'Keefe, Town Manager | Tom Wilkes, Town Attorney | Sean Parks, Town Planner | John Brock, Deputy Town Manager / Town Clerk

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation: **New Town Councilor Orientation**

   Mayor Wells asked the Town Manager, Sean O'Keefe, to begin the orientation session. Staff Members, Sean O'Keefe, Tom Wilkes, Sean Parks, and John Brock, ran the orientation for the newly elected Town Councilors.

   The New Town Councilor Orientation Workshop aimed to educate new members about their roles and responsibilities, including an overview of the Town's governance structure and its relationship with Lake County. Town Planner, Sean Parks, discussed the importance of the Town's Comprehensive Plan and how it guides the Town's decision making. The session clarified the distinction between municipalities and census-designated places, and the transition from a strong mayor to a council-manager model was discussed. The importance of interlocal service boundary agreements and collaboration with Lake County departments was discussed. Town Clerk, John Brock, spoke about the Florida Sunshine Law and Florida Ethics Rules.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any person wishing to address the Mayor and Town Council and who is not on the agenda is asked to speak their name and address. Three (3) minutes is allocated per speaker.

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Wells adjourned the meeting.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m. | **Attendees: 10**

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Mayor Graham Wells

ATTEST:

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John Brock, Town Clerk