

**CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 20, 2015 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

The invocation was given by Pastor Chris Drinnon of Grace Baptist Church, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Mayor Richard Winger, present; Vice Mayor Jay Kramer, present; Councilmember Pilar Turner, present; Councilmember Amelia Graves, present; and Councilmember Randy Old, present **Also Present:** James O'Connor, City Manager; Wayne Coment, City Attorney and Tammy Vock, City Clerk

2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Agenda Additions, Deletions, and Adoption

Mayor Winger referred to item 6-A) "A Resolution declaring the land on 17th Street and West of Indian River Boulevard surplus property." He mentioned that Mr. Kramer was working on bringing to Council a visioning plan for the entire area. He suggested removing this item from the agenda until Council has reviewed that vision plan and this item has been reviewed by their Commissions. Council agreed with removing this item from the agenda.

Mayor Winger requested to pull item 3-F) "Lease agreement between the City of Vero Beach and the Rowing Club," off of the agenda because it has not gone before the Marine Commission and the Recreation Commission. He has no problem with the lease, but just felt that these two (2) Commissions needed to review it first.

Mrs. Turner stated that both the Recreation Commission and the Marine Commission have reviewed the concept. She did not think that it was necessary for the Commissions to review the lease agreement. She said it is a standard lease agreement that the City has used for other groups and she does not see what these Commissions could add. This would just be a continued delay for the Rowing Club, who have been waiting for years now to get this lease approved.

Mayor Winger commented that this is public property and public property needs to be available in one form or another to all of the public. He would like to hear the views of the Recreation and Marine Commission on this.

Mr. Kramer agreed with sending the lease agreement to these Commissions for their review. He has received a lot of questions about the trees so this might be the place for those questions to be asked.

Mayor Winger agreed that is why they have Commissions and going around them is not a good idea.

Mrs. Turner stated that she was not suggesting going around the Commissions. She said this item has been before both of these Commissions and it will go to the Planning and Zoning Board for site plan approval. She said this is essentially a legal document and it is up to Council if they wish to further delay the Rowing Club in moving forward with this project.

Mayor Winger made a motion that the lease agreement go before both of the Commissions and then come back to the City Council. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed 4-1 Mrs. Turner voting no.

Mr. Kramer made a motion to approve the agenda as modified.

Mr. James O'Connor, City Manager, stated that he has talked to Mrs. Shotsi Lajoie, Secretary of the Rowing Club, and has given her approval to have access to the property to do some borings on the site.

Mayor Winger made a motion to adopt the agenda with those two changes. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Proclamations

None

C. Public Comment

Mrs. Honey Minuse, stated that she was at tonight's meeting to make some personal comments of her own and not on behalf of any Committees that she might serve on. She congratulated Council on signing the amended Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC) contract. She watched the joint Finance/Utility Commission meetings when the contract was discussed, as well as the City Council meeting that was held yesterday and was happy that they voted on the revisions to the contract. She knows that it has taken a long time to get to this place and a lot of hard work. She thanked them for their persistence. The fact that they were able to negotiate these changes into the contract is remarkable. She thanked their attorney, Mr. Schef Wright, for all of his help in making this happen. She recalled the first Council meeting that he attended he was viciously attacked by someone speaking at this podium under public comment. She remembered Mr. Wright looking at the audience as this attack on him went on and on. He raised his arms and shook his head and the expression on his face was complete disbelief. She said that behavior was a new low for this community and she wanted to apologize for the display

that person put on at that Council meeting. Mr. Wright weathered that personal attack and worked with everyone to get them where they are at this time. Mr. Wright found out for himself how many good hard working individuals there are in this community, especially those members who volunteer their time and serve on the Utility and Finance Commission. Mrs. Minuse said that the amended OUC contract benefits all of the City utility customers in this community and in no way prohibits the sale to Florida Power and Light (FPL) if there is a way to move forward with that agreement.

Mr. Brian Heady stated that one of the wonderful things about this nation is freedom of speech and everyone being able to express their viewpoint. There was no personal attack against the lawyer in question. However, there were certainly a lot of things said about his credentials. He hoped that people would continue to appear at the podium and give their point of view on issues they want to have heard. To categorize this individual as expressing hate is incorrect (referring to comments made by Mrs. Minuse). Mr. Heady commented that the 2016 Election is coming up and one of the candidates running for President is Mr. Donald Trump. He said that Mr. Donald Trump has been accused of calling people names and his party is against him, but he still continues to garnish 50% of the polls. He said there is something to be said about someone standing up and saying the things they believe in. He mentioned the revised OUC contract and all the time that was spent by the lawyer on this. He said it was unfortunate that they were not given the electric rates promised by OUC when the City entered into this contract in 2008. He said OUC told everyone that they would see a 20% reduction in rates. He didn't applaud them doing business with the same organization who has cheated them for so many years. He suggested that the City sell their portion of the utilities to Indian River Shores and to the County and that they still stay in the utility business with just City customers. That way they would still be considered in the utility business. He was not real sure that this Council has the legal authority to retroactively approve rates that the other Council voted on in 2008. He said their lawyer will argue that they do have that authority. The current City Attorney has often given you (City Council) legal opinions that support his former boss (Charlie Vitunac) who is no longer a City employee because of changing numbers to the original OUC contract. There is an election coming up and people should know who is running and who they stand for. He said before tonight's meeting, he talked to Mr. Kramer about one of the veterans that he was able to help. Mr. Heady brought up that the Veterans Council is talking about cutting one (1) day a week that he transports vets to the Veterans Hospital in West Palm Beach. He feels that is appalling. To solve this problem the City Manager could write a check for \$10,000, which would cover the costs of being able to continue to transport the vets five (5) days a week to the Veterans Hospital. He would be glad to meet with the City Manager and give him the details of where he can send the check.

Mr. Kramer felt this was worth looking into and he would contact the Veterans Council and discuss it with them. Mr. Heady told Mr. Kramer that he could talk to him because he was the Supervisor of Transportation for the Veterans Council.

Mrs. Laura Moss, Utilities Commission member at large, stated that by approving the amended OUC contract the electric rates will be slightly lower. She still had some

concerns with not doing an RFP to go out to market, which was the recommendation of the Utilities Commission and the Finance Commission, as well as the City Council. She also had some concerns with transferring their gas transportation rights to OUC. The Finance Commission voted unanimously to approve the amended OUC contract. The Utilities Commission did not vote unanimously to approve it and she was one of the members who voted no, along with another one of her colleagues.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Regular City Council Minutes – October 6, 2015**
- B. Special Call City Council Minutes – September 29, 2015**
- C. License Agreement #2015-LA-0257 – Theodore & Martha Kucinsky – Dock & Boatlift constructed on City-Owned Submerged Lands – 165 McKee Lane**
- D. Termination of Fixed Base Operator Lease Agreement between the City of Vero Beach and Vero Beach Avionics, Inc.**
- E. Termination of Commercial Lease Agreement and New Lease Agreement between the City of Vero Beach and Davis Development, Inc.**
- F. Lease agreement by and between City of Vero Beach, Florida and Indian River Rowing Club, Inc.**
- G. Painting of Public Works Compound – Bid No. 220-15/PJW**
- H. Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids Handling Modifications – BCR Environmental Corporation – CleanB Residuals Treatment Change Order**
- I. Annual Lease agreement between the City of Vero Beach and Representative Debbie Mayfield**

Mrs. Turner pulled items 3-G) and 3-H) off of the consent agenda.

Mr. Kramer made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended, noting that item 3-F) was pulled off of the consent agenda. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Turner pulled item 3-G) “Painting of Public Works Compound” off of the consent agenda because the original budgeted amount for this project was \$40,000 and the bid came in at \$60,000. She asked what happened.

Mr. Monte Falls, Public Works Director, explained that when a construction estimate is prepared it can be either right or wrong. He noted that this contractor has done work for the City in the past and he feels comfortable with this bid.

Mr. O’Connor added that the bids that came in were between \$60,000 to \$200,000 and the market has changed from when Mr. Falls originally anticipated what it would cost to do this work. He said because the contract is more than what was budgeted the contractor has agreed to hold his prices through next year, which will allow them to

repaint a portion of the buildings this fiscal year and then they will budget for painting the remainder of the buildings in the FY 2016/17 budget.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to approve Bid No. 220-15/PJW for painting of the Public Works compound. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mrs. Turner pulled item 3-H) “Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids handling modifications BCR Environmental Corporation,” off the consent agenda because it looks like they have overrun the budget and another \$183,000 is needed. She asked where that money was coming from.

Mr. O’Connor explained the budget was going to be overrun by \$54,888.00 and the reason for this was after their visit to Ft. Pierce and seeing the CleanB system installed there they looked at the type of building and knew that they needed to make a modification to their building to become more efficient. There will be a savings going forward in the annual operational savings, as well as additional savings for hauling only three (3) times a week as opposed to five (5) times a week.

Mayor Winger commented that if someone has not seen how the operation works it is worth going to Ft. Pierce and observing it. He said that this product allows for closing of digesters, which is beneficial.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to approve the proposal for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Solids Handling modifications. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, amending the Land Development Regulations, Part II of the Code of the City of Vero Beach, relating to Medical Marijuana Dispensaries; Providing for Conflict and Severability; Providing for an Effective Date – Requested by the Planning and Development Director

Mayor Winger read the Ordinance by title only.

Mr. Tim McGarry, Planning and Development Director, reported that at the September 15th public hearing for this Ordinance staff was directed to identify options based on the concerns raised at the hearing. He said concerns were raised relating to the proximity of some existing residences within the proposed separation of 500 feet between residentially zoned properties and properties eligible for the location of a medical marijuana dispensary. These residences are nonconforming uses in the M-Industrial District or conforming uses in the MSD-Mixed Use District. Staff reviewed the distribution of the existing residential land uses within the City and determined that the 500 foot separation requirements makes it virtually impossible not to include some residences in non-residential zoning districts within the 500 foot separation requirement for an eligible

medical dispensary location. The 1,000 foot separation requirement for a school, park or child day care facility isn't an issue due to the physical location of these existing uses in relation to Industrial zoned properties. Based on the discussion with the City Attorney and Mr. Ken Daige relating to his concerns raised at the September public hearing, staff drafted as one of the options, an amendment to the draft Ordinance that incorporates a new separation requirement from an existing residence regardless of the zoning of that property. He told Council there are three (3) options to choose from: **Option #1: Adopt the Ordinance with amended language that establishes a 250 foot separation requirement from the existing residences; Option #2: Adopt no Ordinance to regulate marijuana or Option #3: Adopt Ordinance to ban marijuana.** Staff supports either the Ordinance as presented or as amended in Option #1. He said either Ordinance would provide the protection needed.

Mayor Winger opened the public hearing at 6:32 p.m.

Mr. Ken Daige thanked Council for allowing more time and tabling this Ordinance. It allowed him time to sit down with the City Attorney to reach a compromise. He asked Council to adopt **Option #1.**

Mrs. Deborah Daige thanked Council for taking the time to come up with this alternative option to the Ordinance.

Mayor Winger closed the public hearing at 6:34 p.m., with no one else wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to move forward with **Option #1.** She was happy to see them continue to be proactive. Mayor Winger seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves yes, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

B) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Requested by Promised Land Anglican Church to amend the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map by changing the Future Land Use Designation from Government/Institutional/Public Use to Residential Low, for the property located at 665 20th Street, containing 15 acres more or less; Providing for an Effective Date – Requested by the Planning and Development Director

Mayor Winger read the Ordinance by title only.

Mr. McGarry reported that on August 18, 2015, the City Council held a transmittal public hearing on this Ordinance and authorized submittal of the Ordinance to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. The City was notified by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity in a letter dated October 1, 2015, that it identified no comments related to important state resources and facilities within that Department's authorized scope of review that will be adversely impacted by the amendment if adopted. Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance.

Mayor Winger opened and closed the public hearing at 6:35 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves yes, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

C) An Ordinance of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, amending Chapter 26, "Cemetery," of the Code of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, relating to sale of burial rights and related services, reflecting changes in Cemetery Plat, adding new sections; Providing for Conflict and Severability; Providing for Codification; Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by the Public Works Director

Plat of Portions of Sections J & K – Crestlawn Cemetery

Mayor Winger read the Ordinance by title only.

Mr. O'Connor reported that by platting Sections J and K at Crestlawn Cemetery it will give them more space for family plots and in-ground spaces. He said passage of this Ordinance will allow for the implementation of the City's cemetery policies as they relate to the plat of Sections J and K.

Mayor Winger opened and closed the public hearing at 6:37 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mr. Kramer made a motion to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Graves seconded the motion.

Mrs. Turner recalled when they discussed the Crestlawn Cemetery at one of their earlier meetings, staff was going to go back and look into purchasing equipment in order to dig the graves themselves. She asked for an update in exploring other alternate revenue for the Cemetery.

Mr. O'Connor explained in order to dig the graves special equipment would be needed and he did not know when they would see a return if they did purchase the equipment. He said they would also need to hire some labor in order to do this, along with it being a capital investment.

Mrs. Turner asked by expanding the Cemetery would there be an additional cost for maintenance.

Mr. Falls said that he did not think so. He said they were already mowing this land. The only additional maintenance needed would be for the edging around the headstones.

Mrs. Turner asked how quickly will they recover this \$2,000 investment, as far as selling those cemetery plots.

Mr. Falls reviewed what the Cemetery has made this year and reported they have brought in 15% more than what they originally budgeted. He said the sales were a little better this year, but there is no way to predict how many plots will be sold.

The motion passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves yes, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

5. RESOLUTIONS

- A) A Resolution of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, requesting the Treasure Coast Legislative Delegation to support a proposal requiring staff analyses for Proposed Legislation to indicate whether the proposal is an unfunded mandate or impacts the Home Rule of Florida Municipalities. – Requested by the Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities**

Mayor Winger read the Resolution by title only.

Mr. Kramer explained that there is a Resolution already drafted from the Florida League of Cities that they will vote on. He wondered if maybe they should wait until they have that Resolution in front of them before voting on this one. He said the Florida League of Cities wants to be able to go to Tallahassee and express to the Legislation that there be no more unfunded mandates. He said these unfunded mandates consist of Tallahassee passing a law and then the municipalities have to enforce the law and pay for it. He said the idea behind this is if Tallahassee Legislature is going to pass a law then they should pay for it. This Resolution just allows them to join in with the other cities that makeup the Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities saying no more unfunded mandates.

Mrs. Turner commented that it was a great idea to put the State Legislature on notice, especially when they are passing a resolution that infringes on home rule. She would certainly send a letter endorsing this, but without being able to look at the Resolution to see how it is worded she did not see how they could vote.

Mr. Wayne Coment, City Attorney, explained that the Resolution in front of them is what the Florida League of Cities proposed. He said what it does is ask if each proposal by the Legislature includes an unfunded mandate and does it impact home rule. Florida League of Cities is asking the Legislature to make that part of every Bill that they propose.

Mayor Winger opened and closed the public hearing at 6:43 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mrs. Turner made a motion to approve the Resolution. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Old voting yes, Ms. Graves, Mrs. Turner yes, Mr. Kramer yes, and Mayor Winger yes.

6. PUBLIC NOTICE ITEMS

- A) **A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, determining that certain City-Owned Real Property comprising + 4.61 acres located south of 17th Street and west of Indian River Boulevard, commonly referred to as the “Postal Annex,” is no longer needed by the City and authorizing the City Manager to offer said real property for sale; Providing for Conflict and Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by City Council**

This item was removed from tonight’s agenda.

- B) **A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, determining that certain City-Owned Real Property comprising + 35.24 acres located south of 26th Street and east of 43rd Avenue, commonly referred to as the “Dodgertown Golf Course,” is no longer needed by the City and authorizing the City Manager to offer said real property for sale; Providing for Conflict and Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by City Council**

Mayor Winger read the Resolution by title only and stated that the public hearing on this Resolution would be heard on November 17, 2015.

7. CITY CLERK’S MATTERS

- A) **Appointment to Commission/Board**

Mr. Stephen McDonald has submitted his application and is interested in serving on one of the City’s Boards/Commissions.

Ms. Graves made a motion to appoint Mr. Stephen McDonald to the Code Enforcement Board. Mr. Old seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- B) **League of Mayors Annual Membership Dues**

Mrs. Vock reported that the Florida League of Cities is asking the City if they would like to have a representative serve on the Florida League of Mayors. The membership fee is \$350.00 a year.

Mrs. Turner stated it was not appropriate for Vero to be a member since we have a “weak mayor” form of government. The City Charter does not give the Mayor any additional powers over Councilmembers except conducting the meeting and the Mayor is elected annually by the Council.

It was the consensus of the Council not to renew their membership with the Florida League of Mayors.

8. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS

A. Surplus Property Determination – “Postal Annex” Property and “Dodgertown” Property

Mr. O'Connor recalled that Council has been discussing the City-owned “Postal Annex” property and the City-owned “Dodgertown” property. He said if the City wishes to sell either of these properties they must first make a determination that they are no longer needed and declare them surplus property. Then after Council decides that the property is no longer needed the property may be sold by bid, auction with reserve, by negotiated sale, or exchange. He explained that making this determination does not require the property be sold, it only allows it. Appraisals were done on both pieces of property and the “Postal Annex” appraised at \$2,000,000 and the “Dodgertown” property was appraised at \$3,500,000.

It was the consensus of the Council that they keep moving forward on declaring the Dodgertown property surplus.

Mayor Winger noted that there was an inaccurate statement made in the Press Journal that “Big Blue” could turn into another Power Plant. He asked Mr. O'Connor to address that.

Mr. O'Connor agreed that was inaccurate statement. He said the Transmission Study done by FPL has been completed and gave the conditions in which they could discontinue generating power at the Power Plant. He said these conditions have been met and it will now go to the Florida Reliability Coordinating Committee for their approval, which he does not anticipate any issues there. Once this comes back, they will need to figure out what they can sale some of the equipment in the Power Plant for. He has been contacted by a few firms who specialize in going into Power Plants and taking the materials out. He said they will probably need to put out an RFP for that. He has asked staff to start preparing a plan for the options they have with the Power Plant realizing that they have a major substation there. He said a portion of the substation is within the building itself and they need to know what it would take if they wanted to remove the building and relocate the substation somewhere else on the property. He hopes they will be able to get enough revenue out of the surplus materials that they sell that would help them take care of these issues. He said in the future the City Council will need to address taking down the building once he comes back with some cost factors involved with doing that.

Mr. Old commented that there has been a debate about what the soil is like and how bad it is.

Mr. O'Connor explained that when you start disturbing the ground, especially underneath the slab you are asking for trouble. They probably will not have to address that issue unless they start taking the building down and at that time funding will have to be looked at.

Mr. Old asked in the future a presentation of the history of the building be made.

Mayor Winger asked Mr. O'Connor if there was a possibility that OUC would use the Power Plant for anything. Mr. O'Connor answered no.

Mrs. Turner commented because of the due diligence of their Utility and Finance Commission that clause (Article 12) reserving the option for the Vero Beach Power Plant site was stricken from the amended OUC contract.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS

None

10. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

A. Old Business

None

B. New Business

None

10. INDIVIDUAL COUNCILMEMBERS' MATTERS

A. Mayor Richard Winger's Matters

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mayor Winger reported that the Indian River Lagoon Coalition met and were seated on October 9th at the Indian River Lagoon meeting. The City of Vero Beach has paid their one-third portion to be a part of the Indian River Lagoon. He said it will be important for this Council to put in front of this group projects they have that they need help with and that would aid the Indian River Lagoon. He said this Coalition will be headquartered in Sebastian and the Executive Director will be Mr. Duane DeFreese.

Mayor Winger complimented Go Play Vero in raising \$200,000 for the new playground equipment at Humiston Park. He said this is a great addition to the City and asked that the City Clerk prepare a Proclamation thanking them for accomplishing this.

B. Vice Mayor Jay Kramer's Matters

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mr. Kramer reported on National Night Out. He also attended the press conference where Elite Airlines was introduced and on Saturday he participated in the Lines of the Lagoon.

C. Councilmember Pilar Turner's Matters

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mrs. Turner reported that she attended a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) meeting and noted that the Federal Department of Transportation's budget has been decreased by \$92 million dollars this year because of Amendment One. She said part of the doc stamp revenue that used to go to the Department of Transportation has now been shifted over to Amendment One. A new standard has been approved where there must be a seven (7) foot wide bicycle lane installed for new roads. She announced that Indian River County's MPO was named Outstanding MPO by the National Association. It was recognized over 200 small and midsize MPO's around the Country for successfully promoting metropolitan transportation planning. One of the initiatives that was recognized for Indian River County was their bicycle training rodeo program that has trained almost 14,000 children in the County.

Mrs. Turner commented that the shuttle bus for the monthly Friday night Art Stroll will be running from November through April. The Veterans will be offering "Operation Enduring Laughter" on Friday, November 13th, to any veteran who has served over the last 25 years. They will receive a ticket and two (2) dinners to the comedy show at Riverside Theater. Also, at Historic Dodgertown they will be holding the Youth Baseball Fall Championship event this weekend.

D. Councilmember Amelia Graves' Matters

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Ms. Graves reported that she attended a Beach and Shores Preservation Committee meeting and said they will be sending a Resolution to the City for them to pass opposing Dade County from pulling sand. She said that sand right now is designated for Sector 5, which is the main stretch of beach running through the City.

Mayor Winger commented that the two (2) southern counties have insufficient sand and the alternative would be to go to the Bahamas, which has a Department of State limitation.

Ms. Graves continued by saying that the Beach and Shores Preservation Committee was also pushing for the County to pass a Resolution to put pressure on Congress to pull some of the things in the way of going to the Bahamas and getting some of this sand.

Ms. Graves reminded everyone that Downtown Friday will be on Friday, October 30th and there will be a costume contest for both children and adults.

Mr. Kramer mentioned that he spent some time with the Veterans Council and they have a CD that describes their services and he asked Council if they had any problems with airing that on Channel 13. Council had no problems with this request.

E. Councilmember Randolph Old's Matters

- 1. Correspondence**
- 2. Committee Reports**
- 3. Comments**

Mr. Old reported that he is involved with the Vero Man site and has been invited to meetings over the last couple of days concerning All Aboard Florida. In his opinion the train is going to come through and they are not going to be able to stop it or slow it down significantly. He said they can ask for mitigation issues that might come up, but that is about all they can do. He plans to spend some time with Mr. Falls in coming up with some ideas on mitigation because he feels that is important. He said if they don't ask for something then they won't get anything.

Mr. Old commented that over the last six (6) months he has heard a lot about their Vision Plan. He wondered if there was a way of saving their Vision Plan by going back to the people who wrote it and asking them to update it. He has heard a lot of good things about the Vision Plan and that there was a lot of effort that went into it. Also, that it was a major expense and nothing is happening with it.

Mr. O'Connor said that he would have Mr. McGarry look into that and he will come back with some budget numbers in order to have it done.

Ms. Graves felt that when the Comprehensive Plan is completed that the Vision Plan and the Comprehensive Plan can sort of "melt" together.

Mr. Old felt that if they finished the Comprehensive Plan and then instituted the Vision Plan that they would be back on track.

Mr. O'Connor stated that they were looking at sometime between February and March for the Comprehensive Plan to be completed.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

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