

**CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 17, 2015 6:00 P.M.
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

The invocation was given by Pastor Michael Ashburn of the Global Fire Church of Vero Beach 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

Ms. Graves pulled item 4B-1) off of the agenda.

Mrs. Tammy Vock, City Clerk, asked that item 2C-2) be removed from the agenda at the request of the applicant.

Ms. Turner made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Proclamations

1. GFWC Vero Beach Woman's Club, Inc. – 100th Anniversary

Mrs. Turner read and presented the proclamation.

2. Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month – February 2015

Mr. Kramer read and presented the proclamation.

3. National Invasive Species Awareness Week – February 22-28, 2015

Ms. Graves read and presented the proclamation.

The City Council presented Mrs. Vock with a plaque for being a 30-year employee with the City of Vero Beach.

C. Public Comment

1. Shotsi Cain LaJoie to give an update on the progress of the Indian River Rowing Club.

Mrs. Shotsi Cain LaJoie and Mr. Chris Ryan gave a Power Point presentation (attached to the original minutes). Mr. Ryan said that rowing is for the community and everyone is invited to come out and join the Indian River Rowing Club.

2. Alicia Quinn will speak about Under the Oaks Arts & Crafts Show – March 13-15, 2015.

This item was removed from tonight's agenda at the request of the applicant.

3. Dr. Jim Norconk would like to speak about the noise coming from Riverside Café.

Dr. Jim Norconk, 2 Starfish Drive, commented that he is before Council speaking again for the third time about the noise coming from Riverside Café. He read an excerpt from the minutes of December 3, 2013 City Council minutes, which was the last time he spoke in front of the Council (please see attached). He needed to come to the meeting tonight to try to get some relief for his neighbors in Vero Isles. The City's noise ordinance does not allow annoying music after 10:00 p.m. He said there are many nights that the music coming from Riverside Café does not bother him so it is clear that at times the music is being "jacked" up. He was at tonight's meeting asking for relief. He encouraged Riverside Café to be rational and a good neighbor and return to the capabilities to lower the noise coming from their establishment. He presented Council with 12 pages of his handwritten notes concerning the noise coming from Riverside Café (attached to the original minutes). He also provided them with documented complaints where the Police Department has had to respond, which is 94 times dating back to 1995. He appreciated whatever Council could do to help out with this situation. He displayed the many files that he has on Riverside Café that have accumulated over the years.

4. Attorney Schef Wright to give an update on the Electric Utilities.

Mr. Schef Wright, Attorney, was at tonight's meeting to give an update to Council on the electric utilities. He reported that on February 3, 2015 the Public Service Commission (PSC) voted unanimously to deny the County's petition for Declaratory Statement and to grant the City's position for Declaratory Statement confirming that when the franchise agreement expires the City will continue to have the right to serve in their designated territories. He said orders were issued last Thursday. He said the biggest item that he has to talk about tonight is their status with their work with Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC) and discussing renegotiations of the Power Supply Agreement (PPA) that the City has with them. He was able to meet with OUC last Thursday and he received some additional information from them that Mr. William Herrington has continued to analyze. He would recommend that Council proceed towards renegotiating their contract with

OUC that was outlined in their November 25, 2014 proposal to the City. This proposal included a nine (9) year contract (shorting the contract from 15 years to nine (9) years). The proposal would include: 1) Termination of the COVB-OUC PPA on December 31, 2023; 2) A “minimum take” provision for the “base capacity” purchase under the existing (228) PPA of 85 MW; 3) Purchase of 54 MW of peaking capacity from OUC through December 31, 2023; 4) No St. Lucie option and 5) Permanent release of the City’s rights to FGT transportation capacity, subject to the City’s right to “recall” that capacity if the City were to add gas-fired generation capacity at the Vero Beach Power Plant to serve COVB native load by December 31, 2024.

Mr. Bill Herrington, Consultant with WHH Enterprises, briefly gave his background and said that he has been in the utility business for many years. He said in this matter Council has four (4) choices, which they can consider. They are: 1) Continue under the existing OUC contract, 2) Cancel the OUC contract, pay the termination fees and “go to the market”; 3) Accept OUC’s offer dated November 2014; or 4) Accept OUC’s offer dated October 2014. He would recommend that the City proceed towards negotiating an amended PPA with OUC based on purchasing power from OUC through 2023, as per OUC’s proposed “Discussion Points” of November 25, 2014.

Mr. Herrington commented that the future price of natural gas is the greatest uncertainty in estimating the future cost of power. He developed three natural gas price scenarios. They are: 1) Low natural gas price, which is the average of NYMEX futures settlement prices and PIRA Low Gas Price Forecast; 2) Reference Case, which is the average of the PIRA Reference Forecast and the DOE Annual Energy Outlook Reference Case; and 3) High natural gas price forecast, which is the average of the PIRA High Forecast and the FPL base gas price forecast as presented in testimony submitted to the PSC in December 2014. The analysis done does indicate that continuing with the existing contract with OUC is not the lowest cost alternative under any natural gas price scenario. However, the optimum strategy is dependent on the future prices of natural gas. If natural gas prices remain low, then the options of canceling the OUC contract and going to the market for all power supply and accepting the OUC October 2014 proposal have approximately equal costs. However, if natural gas prices should increase at a higher rate, the OUC offer dated October 2014 is the lowest cost alternative. If natural gas prices should increase at the expected forecasted “Reference Gas Price” rate, then accepting the November 25, 2014 OUC offer and going to the market are the lowest cost alternatives.

Mrs. Turner referred to the documents and said that she had some questions on the assumptions. She said it states that the peak demand energy requirements are based on the most recent OUC projections for the City. She asked what happened to the projections from the City.

Mr. Wright explained that according to their contract with OUC, OUC does their projections.

Mrs. Turner noted in the assumptions and cases that were analyzed, the third assumption states that the three (3) FMPA Power Supply Projects in which the City participates are projected to perform as expected for the entire analysis period. She questioned “perform as expected.”

Mr. Herrington explained that was not a real bad assumption. He said the bulk of their cost is fixed cost and they buy gas on a contract that lasts about a month. It is a reasonable assumption that Plants will operate as designed.

Mrs. Turner questioned if there were any cost factors looked at in retiring the Power Plant by the end of 2015/2016.

Mr. Wright explained that the assumption is based on conversations with the Utilities Director and some information regarding three (3) year projections on capital expenditures associated with those in comparing that alternative with buying the peaking capacity from OUC. He said retiring Units 1 and 4 hardly saves the City anything because they still have to have the facility and the labor at the Plant and the replacement costs are not going down. Mrs. Turner agreed that they needed to be moving in this direction, regardless of the OUC contract.

Mrs. Turner expressed that another one of the assumptions was that no carbon regulation costs occur during this analysis period. She saw a five-year projected budget for OUC where they were talking about having to do carbon remission controls to meet the Clean Air Act.

Mr. Wright explained that they assumed for this purpose that there is zero carbon costs.

Mrs. Turner referred to Attachment B, page 3, and asked Mr. Herrington to explain the table.

Mr. Wright explained that the first table shows the total payments for the OUC system product under different pricing regimes and savings, then the bottom table shows the actual rates that are proposed for this option.

Mayor Winger asked for the status of the transmission that they need.

Mr. Wright stated that the City made a request to FPL for 32 MW of transmission capacity so that they could receive 32 MW of peaking capacity from OUC. After speaking with FPL they said that over the next six-months you can have it for five-months, but you can't have it for this month. Then the City went back and asked for it again saying that they wanted to start in April and go to September. FPL came back and said the City can't have it for June, so this idea has been dropped from the front burner because of these difficulties. He is going to call OUC and ask them when they are going to have the 54 MW of transmission capacity available so that the City can make a more detailed request. At this point the City has not made the final decision to retire all of the

Vero Beach Power Plant Units, but that is the direction they are headed in and when they do that they must have 54 MW of capacity to meet their reserve requirements.

Mr. Jim O'Connor, City Manager, expressed that this recommendation presented tonight will need to go before the Finance Commission and Utilities Commission for their review and recommendations and then brought back to the Council at their March 17th meeting.

Mr. Wright mentioned one of the good things about the November 25th OUC option is that under either scenario they are exposed to gas volatility. He said with the OUC proposal they have capacity price certainty. He said if they were in the market there are real capacity risks.

Ms. Graves asked what is the cancellation cost.

Mr. Wright explained that the cancellation cost is subject to a cap of \$50 million dollars. His belief is after damages are mediated the differential between what the City would pay OUC and market value over the remaining contract, would be a lot more than \$50 million dollars.

Mayor Winger asked Mr. O'Connor how does this "play out."

Mr. O'Connor reported that the two Commissions will review the options and any refinement that they make will be brought back to the Council and then it will be up to Council to pick a scenario. He said they are still working on the peaking capacity, but feels in the long term it will work out.

Mr. Old asked if the legal issues that they have with Indian River Shores will add legal confusion to this.

Mr. Wright did not think that the City negotiating with OUC would present any complications.

Mr. Wright gave an update on the Indian River Shores (IRS) lawsuit. He said the lawsuit is in abatement until March 2nd. He is submitting a report to IRS tomorrow afternoon on the status of what they have been doing. He had a conference call last Friday that included FPL and what basically was said was that no one has any new ideas on how to move the process forward. He hoped to have Power Services present a draft study on their analysis to Council at their March 17th meeting. He said the contract to do the Optimization Study has been signed and that work has begun. He said there are projected completion dates for the five different items within that study and the earliest date is the generation site option matter, which is to be completed within 60-days.

Mrs. Turner made it clear that the projected dates start once the consultant has received information. She said the furthest amount of time was 210 days after the consultant has collected the needed information. She said a lot depends on staff and the response that the consultant receives from staff and how much information they are looking for.

Mr. O'Connor added that the PRM draft study it will be very preliminary because they are not going to be able to factor in anything from the Optimization Study.

Mr. O'Connor commented that Mr. Old has taken to FMPA a recommendation from this Council and FMPA should be discussing it at their meeting on Thursday. He asked Council if they have any questions about the FMPA meeting to please ask Mr. Wright while he is still at this meeting.

Mayor Winger reported that he listened to the meeting on Monday and would suggest that everyone listen to the session on Thursday. He asked Mr. Old to give Council an update.

Mr. Old stated that on Tuesday a Board meeting, as well as an Executive Board meeting was held. The purpose of the meeting was the response of FMPA regarding the audit and whether or not the draft that everyone had was appropriate. The conclusion was that the draft was appropriate with some minor changes. A paragraph was included in the response that explained the political side of this and what promulgated the audit. That paragraph was taken out of the response and replaced with a sentence that said the Board will think about having an independent group come in and do a study. He said at that meeting a number of people from Indian River County spoke and said that they want the City of Vero Beach utilities sold to FPL. He said FMPA listened to the proposal that this Council submitted. He did not know how this would come out on Thursday, but felt the challenge would be how independent this group would be and whether it would be limited in anyway and who would be governing it. He recommended a Board of five (5) people be appointed and hire an independent consulting firm that is completely independent of FMPA and has full power to do what needs to be done. He expressed that some members of FMPA don't like Vero Beach very much so it is an uphill battle to get something passed. He thought the conversation went as well as it could have gone. His feeling about the response to the audit itself was that it was pretty much saying there are the things that we did, thank you for bringing it to our attention, and each item will be considered. This issue needs a business solution to it, which is why he is working with the idea of having an independent consulting firm hired.

Mr. Wright commented that he also listened to the meeting and noted that the CEO of FMPA said that they would be bringing up the idea of a management review. Mr. Wright thought he was talking about the big ticket items in the audit report. He did not think there was great resistance to Mr. Old's suggestion and thought in their response they would say that they are looking into hiring a management company to review issues.

Mr. Old hoped that in the executive summary prepared by FMPA that FMPA will say here is the process to approval of each one of the items or something like that.

Mr. Wright felt that FMPA will hire a management team to review the audit and that FMPA will take it seriously on what is recommended.

Mrs. Turner referred to the Utility Commission minutes where they wanted to have Council ask FMPA about whether or not Elected Officials had to be on the FMPA Board.

Mr. Wright reviewed the Interlocal Cooperation Act and he did not see the requirement in there that they had to be Constitutional Board members (referring to comments made by Dr. Faherty).

Mrs. Turner referred to the response that they received back from Ms. Swindle, FMPA Attorney, who did not reference the Interlocal Cooperation Act (letter on file in the City Clerk's office).

Mr. Old was not sure what he was supposed to do with this request from the Utilities Commission.

Ms. Graves commented that Ms. Swindle said in her letter that it is up to the individual municipalities to appoint whoever they want to sit on the Board.

Mr. Old understood that the Utilities Commission wants that changed to allow only Elected Officials to sit on the Board. He wasn't sure that was the right thing to do because sometimes it is better to have a Utility Director sit on the Board who understands the discussion that is taking place. However, he would do what Council asks him to do.

Mrs. Turner felt having consistency was the most important thing. She said by having an Elected Official on the Board they would be more accountable to their constituents.

Mr. Old continued by saying all he can do is what this Council wants him to, but he cannot ask the other cities to do the same thing.

Mayor Winger told Mr. Old that this Council has given him the authority to make decisions, unless they give him further direction.

Mrs. Turner noticed on the agenda for the FMPA meeting scheduled for Thursday that they have an item for ratepayers to pay for lobbyist for FMPA. She hoped that Mr. Old would vote no on behalf of the City of Vero Beach.

Mr. Mark Mucher, 617 Indian Lilac Road, was at a loss about the OUC choice (brought up tonight by Mr. Wright) because there was no backup provided so he could not comment on it. He also listened to the FMPA meeting and he doesn't have the "warm fuzzy feeling" that some of the Council does. The first action they took was to hire a Public Relation's person. He said that Mr. Old did a good job saying the reaction to the audit itself fell short and needed more work. However, when it came time for the vote there was someone willing to sit there and go through the items one by one, but Mr. Old voted to pass it as it was. He asked Mr. Old why he did that.

Mr. Old felt by going through the items one by one it would have taken too long and he was pleased that FMPA was going to add his consideration of hiring an independent management group.

Mr. Mucher asked Mr. Old if he has seen the draft on what he will vote on this Thursday. Mr. Old said that he has not seen it. Mr. Mucher wanted to get a copy of it when it is available. He reiterated that the first thing FMPA decided to do was hire a Public Relation's person.

Mr. Brian Heady commented that the last time he was here the Mayor said going back in history doesn't do any good. He recalled going back in history that the City of Vero Beach sued FMPA and lost. He said former Councilmember Sandra Bowden brought to the public's attention at the time that the City was losing money concerning their involvement with FMPA and at that time the City Manager was let go. When the Council entered into agreements with OUC the public was being told that their utility rates would be the same as FPL's or lower. He wants to see that now. He recalled a couple of meetings ago that Council entered into an agreement to have an Optimization Study done to find out how to run their Power Plant more efficiently. He questioned if that is needed if they plan to decommission the Power Plant. He then commented that the former City Manager and former City Attorney no longer work for the City because of problems with the OUC contract. He told Mayor Winger that it is important that they look at past history. He brought up his book, Liars, Cheats and Thieves, which outlines some of the things that he has talked about tonight. He reiterated that he wants them to operate under the OUC contract that was passed in 2008 and give the ratepayers the low rates that were promised to them. He said when he was on the City Council the OUC contract was discussed many times. He went over some of the discussion that took place. He asked Council if they could tell him why their ratepayers were not getting the lower rates that they have been promised according to the OUC contract.

Mr. Kramer told Mr. Heady that he did not think that was in the contract.

Mr. Heady commented that the public could not see what the rates would be because they were redacted in the contract. However, underneath those redactions were rates that the ratepayers were promised would give them the same rates as FPL. He thinks the ratepayers should be charged what they were told they were going to be charged and that is FPL rates. He was happy to see that Mr. Kramer was running the meeting tonight and he was not told that he had to sit down after speaking over three minutes.

Mr. Dylan Reingold, County Attorney, stated that he was at tonight's meeting and was interested in item 9B-1. He asked if that would be discussed now or later.

Mrs. Turner invited Mr. Reingold to make his comments at this time.

Mr. Reingold recalled a Special Call City Council meeting that was recently held and one of the items for discussion was the FMPA audit. He was asked by Ms. Graves to provide an outline of the motions made at a County Commission meeting on the same subject,

which he has. He said that the County Commission did not pass any formal Resolution. However, at today's County Commission meeting they did pass a Resolution similar to what Indian River Shores passed (he provided the Clerk with a certified copy of the Resolution). He wanted to address two (2) additional points that were brought up at the FMPA meeting on Monday. He first applauded Mr. Old for the comments that he made at that meeting and hoped that FMPA would seriously consider the issues that were brought up. He said the first item he wanted to bring up was the hiring of lobbyists. He said that FMPA has 10 lobbyists and they are making sure that status quo stays in place. He said even if an independent company came in and recommended changes what is going to hold FMPA to the fire to make sure the changes are made and carried through. He then commented that really the only difference between the Resolution that the County passed and the Resolution that Indian River Shores passed was that FMPA pay back all of the additional monies owed to their ratepayers that they have been paying. The County chose to leave that sentence out of their Resolution.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Regular City Council Minutes – February 3, 2015**
- 2. Special Call City Council Minutes – January 29, 2015**
- 3. Special Call City Council Minutes – January 27, 2015**
- 4. FRCC Non-Statutory Assessments**
- 5. Attorney Glenn Thomas requesting increase in fees from \$240.00 per hour to \$250.00 per hour.**
- 6. Renewal of Contract 1449-C – Utility Bill Printing and Mailing Services**
- 7. Utility Easement #2015-EG-0156 – Maria E. Arroyave, Inc.**

Mrs. Turner made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) ORDINANCES

None

B) RESOLUTIONS

- 1. A Resolution of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, creating a Youth Advisory Commission; Establishing Procedures; Providing Direction to the City Clerk; Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by Councilmember Amelia Graves**

This item was pulled off of the agenda.

**5. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR FIRST READING BY TITLE
(FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED)**

None

6. CITY CLERK'S MATTERS

A) Appointments to Commission/Boards

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Mr. Gary Embrey resigned from the Airport Commission. Ms. Mary Wood who serves as Alternate member #1 on the Commission wishes to remain as an Alternate member #1. Mr. Richard Cantner who serves as Alternate member #2 on the Airport Commission wishes to be moved up to a full member. If this is done it will leave an Alternate member #2 position open on the Airport Commission.

Mayor Winger nominated Mrs. Carole Jean Jordan for the Alternate member #2 position on the Airport Commission.

Mrs. Turner nominated Mr. John Calcagno for the Alternate member #2 position on the Airport Commission.

Ms. Graves made a motion to appoint Mrs. Carole Jean Jordan to the Airport Commission. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion and it passed 4-1 with Mrs. Turner voting no.

RECREATION COMMISSION

Ms. Lin Reading resigned from the Recreation Commission. Mrs. Sue Dinunno serves as Alternate member #1 and would like to be moved up to a full member. Mrs. Angie Schepers serves as Alternate member #2 and would like to be moved up to Alternate member #1.

Ms. Turner made a motion to move Mrs. Sue Dinunno up to a full member on the Recreation Commission and move Mrs. Angie Schepers up to Alternate member #1 on the Recreation Commission. Ms. Graves seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to bring back applications for the Alternate member #2 position on the Recreation Commission. Mrs. Turner hoped to have more City residents serve on the Recreation Commission.

7. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS

A) First Quarter Fiscal Year 14-15 Electric Utility Rate Sufficiency

Mr. O'Connor reported based on the analysis for the first quarter year of the Electric Utility Rate Sufficiency, he would recommend no adjustments to the rates take place at this time.

B) Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) Stormwater Utility Study

Mr. O'Connor brought forth the proposal package that outlines the RFP for the Stormwater Utility Study.

Mrs. Turner asked if Mr. O'Connor had any idea what this study is going to cost and where the funds will come from to pay for it.

Mr. O'Connor did not know what the costs would be. He said if it is a huge amount then they could put it in next year's budget.

Mrs. Turner referred to page 16, under Scope of Work, task items 6 through 9. She could not understand why they were asking a consultant to do these items when they should be staff functions.

Mr. Bill Messersmith, Assistant City Engineer, went through each task item and explained why a consultant should be the one addressing them.

Mrs. Turner felt that the Scope of Work was more extensive than what is really needed, especially when they have no budget or funds to do anything.

Mr. O'Connor reiterated that if the costs are so high that they can't figure out a way to fund this then they will put it in next year's budget. He said the key here is to get a handle on what they want and they can't afford to mess it up. He said these Stormwater Utilities can get them into trouble if everything is not correctly done.

Mrs. Turner commented that if they were ever able to do something with the Dodgertown property it would free up about \$700,000 in interest payments. She asked for the status on this.

Mr. O'Connor reported that the County is putting together the final document and he is hoping to bring it to Council at their first meeting in March.

Ms. Debra Ecker, 550 Riomar Drive, spoke in support for the appropriation for this consultant for the Stormwater Utility Study.

Mr. O'Connor said if there was no objection from the Council then he would proceed in moving forward with the RFP. Mrs. Turner voiced her objection to the Stormwater Utility Study proposal.

C) Request from the Utilities Commission

This item was discussed earlier and no vote was taken by Council to request to the FMPA that Elected Officials should serve on the Board. Council agreed it was best to leave this decision up to the individual cities and a letter will not be sent out at this time.

Mr. O'Connor reported that on March 1st the Clydedales horses will be in Vero Beach.

Mr. O'Connor told Council that he received information on the Indian River Lagoon program, which he has sent to Council. He said this is a program that the County opted out of. He said that Fellsmere has invited him to their next Council meeting when this item is going to be discussed. The meeting will be held Thursday night at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Winger added that he has been talking to the Mayor of Sebastian about this program. He has been provided with a copy of the Interlocal Agreement and there is a possibility that the Cities of this County can join in because the County has chosen not to. He believed there might be some additional funding for the STEP program or the Lagoon. He said they could always participate in the program for a year and if it doesn't make sense they could pull out.

Mayor Winger brought up the flags and noted that they were not put up on the bridge for President's Day.

Mr. O'Connor explained that if there are no activities taking place then they don't put the flags up in order to preserve them.

8. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS

None

9. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

A. Old Business

B. New Business

1. Response to State Auditor's FMPA audit findings – Requested by Councilmember Pilar Turner

Mrs. Turner stated that this Council serves as the Board of Directors for the \$100 million Vero Electric and it is their fiduciary responsibility to demand the interests of their ratepayers be addressed. She said there is an outrage from their customers who were shocked over the findings of the audit. She also listened to the FMPA meeting on Monday and felt that FMPA was just making excuses instead of taking action on the problems that they have. She would like to see the City Council join with the County in requesting the Florida Auditor General expand their audit, as well as joining with the County in asking the Legislative Delegation to request legislative hearings on FMPA's

activities. She said this organization has been in existence for 37 years and they have never had an outside audit. She said if they don't do something now, these things will just continue.

Mr. Old commented that FMPA does have a financial audit done every year. He said one of the things being asked for is a market value of the different Plants, which he thinks is very complicated and he was not so sure that the audit would be the way to do it.

Mrs. Turner felt that the City should be reporting the assets and liabilities from FMPA on their financial statements.

Mr. Old did not think that they should be. He said they have annual obligations to FMPA for power and the negotiated loans should not be on their books. Their auditor knows very well their relationship with FMPA.

Mrs. Turner noted that the City is representing their customers who are all very upset and disturbed about this and they expect the Council to be taking action to protect them. She was hearing them say "no" it's okay...

Mr. Old did not think anyone was saying no it's okay. He said everyone is a little taken back by the response. He said if it were his company and this audit came out he would have been upset about it and taken action immediately. What FMPA is thinking is that this is much more of a political sense. He felt getting an independent management company to come in is a good solution.

Ms. Graves suggested waiting until the meeting on Thursday to see how far FMPA takes the request made by Mr. Old. She said then they will know what the culture is and whether FMPA wants to work through this and try to get a grasp on it or not and she wants to see FMPA's reply to the audit.

Mr. Kramer told Council to keep in mind that FMPA has already had some management changes.

10. INDIVIDUAL COUNCILMEMBERS' MATTERS

A. Mayor Richard Winger's Matters

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

No report made.

B. Vice Mayor Jay Kramer's Matters

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

Mr. Kramer reported that he attended the Downtown Art Walk.

C. Councilmember Pilar Turner's Matters

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

Mrs. Turner reported that the Senior Resource Center recently celebrated their 40th Anniversary. She reminded everyone about the Craft Brew and Wing Fest taking place on Saturday at Royal Palm Pointe and on March 1st the Clydedales will be coming to Vero Beach. She also went over some international baseball training that will occur at Historic Dodgertown.

D. Councilmember Amelia Graves' Matters

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

Ms. Graves reported that she attended the Treasure Coast Council of Local Government's meeting. She also asked Council as they begin to think about the upcoming budget year that they look at phasing out providing health insurance to Councilmembers.

E. Councilmember Randolph Old's Matters

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

No report made.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Tonight's meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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