

**CITY OF VERO BEACH, FLORIDA
APRIL 16, 2019 3:00 P.M.
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

The invocation was given by Father Josh Gritter of Trinity Episcopal Church followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Vice Mayor Young.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Mayor Val Zudans, present; Vice Mayor Tony Young, present; Councilwoman Laura Moss, present; Councilmember Robbie Brackett, present and Councilmember Harry Howle, present **Also Present:** Monte Falls, Acting City Manager; Kira Honse, Interim City Attorney and Tammy Bursick, City Clerk

2. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular City Council Minutes – April 2, 2019

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to adopt the minutes of April 2, 2019. Vice Mayor Young seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A. Agenda Additions, Deletions, and Adoption.

Mrs. Tammy Bursick, City Clerk, requested that the City Council remove item 9-1) from the agenda “Discussion of the Child’s case.” Add items 3-D) to the agenda “Avigation Easement” and item 8-D) Lease Agreement – “Building on Dodgertown Golf Course.”

Mr. Howle made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Mr. Brackett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B. Proclamations and recognitions by Council.

1) Guardian Ad Litem Month – April 2019

Mr. Brackett read and presented the Proclamation.

2) Parkinson’s Disease Awareness Month – April 2019

Councilwoman Moss read and presented the Proclamation.

3) National Service Recognition Day – April 2, 2019

Vice Mayor Young read and presented the Proclamation.

4) National Telecommunicators' Week – April 14 – April 20, 2019

Mr. Howle read and presented the Proclamation.

- 3. CONSENT AGENDA (include amount of expense)**
 - A) Work Order No. 14 to Professional Services Master Agreement dated February 15, 2017 between the City of Vero Beach and Hanson Professional Services, Inc. to rehabilitate T-Hangar Buildings (FDOT 4397-16-1-94-01) – (\$58,974)**
 - B) Second Amendment to Lease Agreement between the City of Vero Beach and Dragonfly Boatworks LLC**
 - C) Public Works Compound Roof Replacement – Contract C-25-2018 – Release Retainage – (\$17,202.50)**
 - D) Avigation Easement**

Mr. Howle made a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Mr. Brackett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A) ORDINANCES

B) RESOLUTIONS

- 1. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Vero Beach, Florida, Authorizing the Execution and Acceptance of a Federally-Funded Subaward and Grant Agreement between the City of Vero Beach and the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management for Hurricane Irma (FEMA-4337-DR-FL); Delegating to the Interim City Manager the Authority to Execute the Agreement and Act as the City's Authorized Agent for Performance of the Agreement; Providing for an Effective Date. – Requested by the Finance Director**

The City Clerk read the Resolution by title only.

Mayor Zudans opened and closed the public hearing at 3:25 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to approve the Resolution. Vice Mayor Young seconded the motion and it passed 5-0 with Mr. Howle voting yes, Mr. Brackett yes, Councilwoman Moss yes, Vice Mayor Young yes, and Mayor Zudans yes.

5. CITY COUNCIL MATTERS

A) NEW BUSINESS

B) OLD BUSINESS

6. PUBLIC NOTICE ITEMS FOR FUTURE PUBLIC HEARING

7. CITY CLERK MATTERS

The City Clerk reported that there is one (1) alternate position open on the Code Enforcement Board, there is one (1) alternate position open on the Finance Commission, there is one (1) alternate position open on the Historic Preservation Commission and two (2) alternate positions open on the Tree and Beautification Commission.

**8. CITY MANAGER MATTERS (include amount of expense)
(Staff/Consultant special reports and information items)**

A) Renewal of State of Florida Submerged Lands Easement – Memorial Island Bridge

Mr. Monte Falls, Acting City Manager, reported that on August 24, 1988, the City obtained a Sovereignty Submerged Land Easement from the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida for the bridge to Memorial Island. The term of the easement was for 30 years and the State has prepared a renewal agreement to extend the term of the easement for another 50 years.

Mayor Zudans opened and closed public comments at 3:27 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to approve the renewal agreement. Mr. Brackett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

B) License Agreement for Use of City Real Property – Ocean Research & Conservation Association, Inc. (ORCA)

Mr. Falls reported that some time back the Water and Sewer Director took a tour of ORCA's lab in Ft. Pierce and noticed how small it was and talked to Mr. O'Connor about allowing them (ORCA) to use the City's Environmental Lab, which is empty. He said that ORCA would like to use the lab as a Citizen Science Research Center and this agreement is to formalize the authorization to allow them to use City property at the Water Plant. The City still uses a portion of the building so there will be City staff at the location at the same time that employees from ORCA will be there. The employees from ORCA will have badges to get in the gate and the site is staffed 24 hours a day.

Mayor Zudans said that his recollection was when they were talking about this previously that ORCA was going to handle doing the City's water testing that the City would normally have to contract out.

Mr. Falls stated that ORCA will do some testing for the City. He said having ORCA there will be a benefit to the City and a benefit to ORCA. There will be students from the High School come in and learn how to do testing and promote environmental careers. The license agreement is for five (5) years and is renewable for an additional five (5) years. There will not be any charge for ORCA to use the City property.

Ms. Kira Honse, Interim City Attorney, explained that this would be an in-kind contribution for ORCA and will help when they are trying to obtain grants.

Mayor Zudans asked in the event that they had some other use for that property, would the City have the right to terminate the license agreement.

Ms. Honse said yes and explained that a license agreement termination can happen at any time.

Councilwoman Moss commented that having read the license agreement this is for five (5) years with renewable five (5) year periods. It does say that the City Manager is authorized to approve and execute the renewals. She thinks that authority should stay with the City Council like it does with all other leases. She brought up the Dog Park lease as an example. She asked if the Waste Water Treatment Plant is relocated at this property, how will having this Citizen Science Research Center at this location affect the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Mr. Falls explained there would be no affect because the location for the new Waste Water Treatment Plant will be located on the north side of the property and this facility will be on the south side of the property closer to Aviation Boulevard.

Councilwoman Moss noticed in the license agreement that the City is paying for all of the City utilities for the building. She spoke with Mr. Falls about this before the meeting and asked him to address this publically.

Mr. Falls stated that since the City is still utilizing the facility they have to keep the lights and air condition on so that expense is already incurred by the City.

Councilwoman Moss stated the other concern that she had was that this is their drinking water. She asked Mr. Falls to address security in that area because there will be volunteers and other people who ordinarily would not have access to that site.

Mr. Falls explained there would be an access gate and all of the ORCA employees will have photo id's and badges that they will have to use in order to get into the building.

Councilwoman Moss said the only objection that she has (page 2 of 10) is that the ability to authorize and execute renewals should come back to City Council and not the City Manager.

Mayor Zudans commented that the City Manager serves at the discretion of the City Council and this is an item that is perfectly within the realm of the City Manager's duties. He said if the City Council decides that they do not want to do this anymore they are able to get out of the license agreement at any time.

Councilwoman Moss brought up the Dog Park issue that they recently voted on.

Mayor Zudans said that was a lease and not a license agreement and this is well within the realm of what a City Manager does.

Councilwoman Moss understood that legally they were different, but operationally they are the same. It has to do with land use and she thinks that should always stay with people who are elected. That is her opinion.

Vice Mayor Young attended the Citizen Science Center tour event and said that it was an incredible opportunity for the City of Vero Beach to gain a momentum that will impact one of their number one priorities and that is the Lagoon. The opportunity to engage their students in the community and then build upon that over time is going to provide them opportunities that they can't even envision at this time. He spoke to Ms. Missy Weise, the Director of this program, and asked her what was the starting point and she said that she has already been working with the regional schools. He said once they see the work that is there and what will be done they will see what a wonderful impact this will have on our community.

Mayor Zudans agreed that was an excellent point. He said this was their first opportunity to really have ORCA come and do something that the City needs that otherwise they would have to pay for. The City is saving some money by allowing ORCA to use this location. He thinks that ORCA probably raises a large portion of money for their fundraising up in this area (Indian River County) and he would love to see ORCA head quartered in Vero Beach.

Vice Mayor Young said if they have the involvement of the community in the science of preserving their Lagoon and restoring what they love so much and do the analysis that needs to be done then they are not at the mercy of some other agency who thinks we are at their discretion as to when they respond to a call for assistance. He was disturbed about this when they had the red tide incident. He loved having an in house resident sampling capability that impacts on the success of their community. He said it is a win/win situation.

Councilwoman Moss commended ORCA. She said when she was Chairwoman of the Utilities Commission she had invited Dr. Edith Widder at that time to address the Utilities Commission and more recently she was at the inaugural meeting of the

Cleanwater Coalition and they made a wonderful presentation. Councilwoman Moss said that she was very much in favor of ORCA. This was a housekeeping detail, a matter of authority.

Mayor Zudans opened the meeting up for public comments at 3:38 p.m.

Mr. Arthur Economy commented that he met with Dr. Widder at the Marina and she liked the Waddell building for a future location. She was concerned that there would not be enough lab space there, but now that part has been taken care of. He said use of that space (Waddell building) would enable ORCA to bring their main office here.

Mr. Falls reported that he was meeting with some people from ORCA on Thursday to look at and discuss that property.

Mr. Brackett felt that this was a great opportunity for the City and a great partnership.

Mr. Howle felt that Councilwoman Moss brought up a good point.

Councilwoman Moss made a motion to approve the license agreement for use of City real property to Ocean Research & Conservation Association, Inc. (ORCA). Mr. Brackett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

C) Discussion with City Council regarding FY19-20 Budget Priorities

Mr. Falls commented that he reviewed what Mr. O'Connor did last year around this time, which was ask the City Council for their thoughts and direction on what they would like staff to look for concerning budget priorities for this year's budget, which will be held on July 18th and 19th.

Mr. Howle asked where are they with their D & F graded roads.

Mr. Falls explained that they will get to that. It is part of the capital items and those are a different type of funding source. What he is looking for today is the general operating portion of the budget that is funded from ad valorem taxes, utility taxes, franchise fees, and State revenue sharing. He said as they move through the budget process they will sit down with Council and show them all of these capital items and Council can let staff know what their priorities are. They now show on the books the unfunded portion of the capital plan, so it is recognized as a need, but also realize how much money is available to do other work.

Mayor Zudans stated that their Finance Director and former Chair of the Finance Commission, Mr. Ryan Bass, as well as the City Manager did a great job in coming up with an overview of how to make the transition from the sale of the electric and the loss of the enterprise revenue and how to change the way that the government works over a 5-year period to get them to the soft landing without raising taxes or cutting the level of services that people expect in this community. He said they are on track with this plan

and this is a good overview to start with. This does mean that they have to find \$500,000 of net effect each year in the budget. He said personally he does not want to have any tax increases and would like to reduce their current 2.5194 millage rate to 2.5. He said that would be showing the public that they are trying to live within financial restraint. He said going through the budget and making cuts each year makes a huge difference on how much is done in the early years. He realizes that they cannot always rely on valuations of property going up every year to make up the deficits because there will eventually be a year along this five year path where they have flat or decrease evaluations for property in their community. Also, as going through this they have to understand that 80% of their budget is personnel. He said last year when they were looking at the budget there was a lot of uncertainty. At that time they did not know for sure if the electric utilities was going to be sold or not. Not they have a lot more knowledge of what is going to happen moving forward with their finances. This is the time for the Council to do a thorough analysis department by department to see where there are efficiencies. He mentioned after speaking with Mr. Falls that he was told that there was a 33% cut in the Public Work's Department several years ago without having to lay off a single employee. He is not talking about necessarily anyone losing their job, but finding ways to become more efficient as they transition with people retiring or leaving the City. He said they need to find out how they can deliver the most efficient services in the same fashion. He asked that each Department be asked to look at where they could be more efficient in delivering services at a high quality level that has become expected, but at a lower cost of with a small decrease in the number of personnel. The \$500,000 they had talked about amounts to an approximate seven (7) employees a year over the next five-year period. They now have 214 employees in the General Fund so they would be talking about 3% of the workforce that could become more efficient. He said because of the electric sale a lot of money from the proceeds of the sale was set aside to be put in a designated fund for pension funds, etc. However, there is still a lot of money from this sale that he does not like just sitting there unassigned because this City Council or future City Councils' will see that pile of money sitting there and potentially think that is for every project. They really should have a much more extensive catastrophe fund in case of future hurricanes, etc. He realizes that any future Council could go and move those funds, but it should be set up in a way that it is apparent that they are taking money out of an emergency fund.

Councilwoman Moss stated that her concern is with infrastructure. She said in terms of the Parks they had a presentation by Mr. Brian Heady several meetings ago and they know that they have work to do in their Parks. She asked Mr. Falls if he could put together, if he does not already have it, a sheet that would show them what needs to be done and in which Parks and what the costs assigned to it would be.

Mr. Falls indicated that staff is working on this and it will be available at budget time. He said that they would be doing a needs plan for the Parks and how they propose to attack that plan in getting their Parks back into the shape that everyone expects them to be in.

Councilwoman Moss stated that another issue for her is stormwater. She said Mr. Johanson is sitting in the audience. She said at budget time last year and she knows this is a favorite of Mr. Johanson, they were able to move forward with Lateral E.

Mr. Falls said with Lateral E they put aside the proceeds from the sale of the Post Office to fund that work. They are working with their consultants to identify what will be the best project to do in the Lateral E basin to get the best bang for their buck. He hopes to have something to Council to talk about at budget time.

Councilwoman Moss said also if there are other stormwater priorities that they should address with funds that they received from the sale of properties or other sources she thinks that is a really important area. She is also thinking about, and this has to do with Police enhanced enforcement. She said as most people know traffic has been a big concern. It is a quality of life, as well as a safety issue. She was wondering if they need to set aside additional monies for traffic enforcement such as speeding and that sort of thing. Also, they have the Marina where they have a consultant, the three corners where they will have a consultant and asked about the funds for the consulting that they will be entering into the coming year, she asked where exactly does that funding come from, she was not sure.

Mr. Falls explained that with the Marina consultant they will be using the Marina Fund, which includes part of the money that is available from paying off the debt. They have employed the services of a consultant and after getting information from the Council about wanting to be more involved in the process they will be providing a schedule that includes another full meeting with the Council to get their input. As soon as he gets all this information together he will send a memo out to Council concerning the schedule.

Mayor Zudans stated that he was thinking on the comment that Councilwoman Moss made about the funding from the Post Office sale and the \$2.5 million coming in from the Dodgertown property sale. He would love to see as they set up these designated funds as to where the money is going to go if they could actually set up some criteria as to how the money will be spent from this fund.

Councilwoman Moss explained that stormwater is a big concern of hers because prior to her tenure on the City Council there were budgeted stormwater amounts that were not actually spent on stormwater. She said there were other priorities that took place. This was not to criticize the actions of past Councils' but that is the way it went. Money allocated for stormwater was not spent on stormwater. As far as she knows right now the money budgeted on stormwater is being spent on stormwater. She said there hasn't been anything redirected for any reason. She asked Mr. Falls if that was correct.

Mr. Falls explained that there has not been any money spent on Lateral E yet. He said the capital projects that have been approved in the budget for stormwater are being pursued right now.

Mayor Zudans mentioned that there have been people in the public and past City Councilmembers who proposed that they form a new tax, which would be a stormwater utility tax. He said the last City Council advocated for the idea of instead of having taxes that when they have assets that the City has deemed surplus that they could use that money to accomplish these projects without having to raise taxes. He personally feels this is a lot better way of funding these projects.

Councilwoman Moss stated that she was fine with the millage rate staying where it is. She felt that there may be a problem funding some of the things that she mentioned, especially Parks and trying to lower the millage rate at the same time.

Vice Mayor Young agreed with the strategy by the Finance Commission. They realize moving forward with a reduction in a significant amount of revenue every year that they have to find a balance between revenues and expenditures. He is concerned about having to reduce personnel. He knows that they must look at efficiencies, but they should anticipate utilizing the increase that is anticipated for the ad valorem taxes. They are looking at a significant amount of revenues that they will need to cover. He said if you look at the staff utilization he does not believe that there is much fat on the personnel level. He would anticipate most likely the ad valorem taxes would not cover the necessary decreases in the capital items that they are going to have. The millage rate of Vero Beach in comparison with other cities is not out of balance, especially considering that Vero Beach has many amenities that they provide. They do have the responsibility as a coastal community for the lifeguards and do have a public support for their safety.

Mr. Brackett commended the Finance Department and the Finance Commission on the plan that they came up with. He had the opportunity to sit down with the Finance Director and learn more about what was done. This will be his first budget process and it is important that they look at every aspect of the budget and find ways where they can become more efficient and do better things. He felt it was important that they have departments out there who are able to do public/private partnerships. He agrees with working with organizations like ORCA with their grant writing process. He said as far as deferred maintenance goes if they are not careful deferred maintenance will catch up with them quickly and something that they will need to look at.

Mr. Howle felt that they have been a fiscally responsible City Council and good shepherds of their community. The Finance Department always does a great job in bringing Council a good budget and he appreciates all the input.

Mr. Falls said that this gives staff some general discussion and they will get started in putting the budgets together for Council to look at.

D) Lease Agreement – Building on Dodgertown Golf Course

Mayor Zudans asked what is this lease and why do they have it.

Mr. Falls explained that several years ago the Recreation Department moved out of the old jail building and did not have a place to store some of their things. So they moved their stock out to the building located on the Dodgertown golf course property. They have bleachers there and Christmas and Easter things, etc. It has been a good temporary location. However, now that they are closing on the Dodgertown property it will no longer be the City's property so they either have to have a lease with the County for a specified amount of time in order to find a permanent place to store these things or they have to find a place now. The lease that they have worked out is a six-month lease with four-month term extensions, which would give the City a year in order to find a permanent location. He said what the City will give back in return for this is the County wants three (3) times over the next three (3) years to be able to use parking that is on the Airport property that currently is used for the St. Helen's festival, Jackie Robinson's baseball game, etc. He said that three (3) years exceeds the maximum term of the lease, which is 18 months so when their lease is up they will be able to terminate the lease.

Mayor Zudans said that he had heard there was some interest in some property close to this building for a flight school. He doesn't want to have committed to something and when someone wants to lease some property in the area they won't be able to.

Mr. Falls explained that the way the lease is written is *subject to the availability of the property*.

Mayor Zudans encouraged the Recreation Department to find a new location at their earliest convenience and in the meantime this sounds like the right thing to do until then.

Mr. Falls said he would be getting with Mr. Slezak to take a look at this.

Councilwoman Moss asked if the Dodgertown deal has actually closed. She asked if the cash was in the bank.

Ms. Honse reported that the closing on the Dodgertown property will be tomorrow and that is when the funds will be transferred.

Vice Mayor Young felt that this lease makes sense. The only alternative is that they move twice. First move to a temporary location and then to a permanent location. They have the latitude if necessary to have that land available for other uses.

Mr. Rob Slezak, Recreation Commission, said this will give staff an opportunity to go through and determine what has to be moved.

Councilwoman Moss asked where is the termination clause in the lease agreement.

Ms. Honse explained that there is not a termination clause, but there is a cancellation clause.

Mayor Zudans opened and closed public comments on this item at 4:07 p.m., with no one wishing to be heard.

Mr. Young made a motion to approve the lease agreement. Mr. Brackett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

9. CITY ATTORNEY MATTERS

1) Discussion of the Child's case

This item was removed from today's agenda.

Ms. Honse reported to Council that she would be out of town next week.

Mayor Zudans asked for an update on the RFP for an interim City Attorney.

Mr. Falls reported that the RFP will close on April 23rd and he will be bringing the list of applicants to the City Council at their first meeting in May.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT (3-minute time limit)

Mrs. Phyllis Frey read a prepared speech.

Mr. Herb Whittal noticed that the Mayor and some of the other Council members attended the Clean Water Coalition meeting and he would hope that Dr. DeFreeze told them what he needed. He said he hears this is an extra tax, which it doesn't have to be. He said if the City gets that money then they can take it out of the budget. This money is needed so they have a specific amount every year that they can plan on. He said Young's Park looks beautiful with the new foliage that has been put in there. However, one of the worst things for the Lagoon is grass clippings. He sees so many people when they are cutting their grass blowing the grass into the road where it goes into the gutter then into the Lagoon. He said more training is needed and suggested maybe a letter be sent out to people who cut grass not to do that. He said since FPL took over his electric his power has been out a total of 7 ½ hours. He hopes that FPL will do better in the future.

Mayor Zudans commented that he attended the Clean Water Coalition meeting and spoke with Dr. DeFreeze after the meeting. He objected to what Dr. DeFreeze had said at the meeting that there has to be a stormwater utility in order to fund these things. He told Dr. DeFreeze what the City did by selling their Post Office and Dr. DeFreeze said that he takes what he said back and that every city should do what they can in the way it works for them. At the meeting Dr. DeFreeze was saying that their City was doing the Lateral E project and he thought the funding was coming from a stormwater utility, which is why he is such a proponent of stormwater utility. Mayor Zudans explained to Dr. DeFreeze that the City did not have a stormwater utility and acted in a different way financially responsible and are doing great projects. Dr. DeFreeze changed what he said at that meeting and said that he was fine with the way that the City is funding their stormwater

utility projects. He told Mr. Whittal that he could verify this with him. He also talked to him about another big project and what kind of project he thought would be the next project after they do the Lateral E project and he has a project that hopefully can get done with the money generated from the sale of their Dodgertown golf course property and with Dr. DeFreeze's help.

Mr. Whittal commented that Indian River Shores, the City of Vero Beach, and Indian River County don't have a stormwater utility and all the other municipalities on the Treasure Coast have one and it works fine. He brought up when Councilwoman Moss said that there was money budgeted for stormwater and wasn't used for stormwater. He said if there is a stormwater utility then that money can't be used for anything else.

11. COUNCILMEMBER MATTERS

A. Mayor Val Zudans's Matters

Sponsored presentation items by the public (10-minute time limit)

Mayor Zudans commented on how much he is enjoying being Mayor. He is attending about eight (8) different events a week and is always available to attend events when asked and when they come up. He thanked the community for allowing him to be Mayor.

B. Vice Mayor's Tony Young's Matters

Sponsored presentation items by the public (10-minute time limit)

Vice Mayor Young commented on how busy he is staying in the community. He said that there have been some issues that he has had to call FPL about and they have been very responsive to his requests. Tomorrow he will be attending the Treasure Coast League of Cities meeting and FPL will be there speaking on his request about hardening. He attended the City Easter egg hunt held at Mulligans on Saturday. He recalled that there has been discussion about renaming the three (3) corners. He suggested renaming it Cartersmitton, but was told by someone that would not be appropriate. In talking with Mrs. Ruth Stanbridge about the name she mentioned the Gifford family and suggested calling the area Gifford's Landing. He said as they move forward there will be a lot of opportunity for people to weigh in on what they want the name to be for that area.

Councilwoman Laura Moss's Matters

Sponsored presentation items by the public (10-minute time limit)

Councilwoman Moss commented in regard to the three corners, she would like to see the name related to the Lagoon and not to any particular family. She doesn't have a suggestion in regard to the name, but she would like the name to remind them to be good stewards of the Lagoon. She expressed how crucial this site is to their community. She

was hopeful that the name of the area will come out of engaging the community where they get to hear from a lot of people.

Councilwoman Moss commented that Mrs. Michelle Dale of the Goldstar Mothers had a ceremony this past Saturday and it was lovely. The Vietnam War Veterans were pinned at that ceremony. She said this is a national effort to pin every single veteran from the Vietnam War. Councilwoman Moss expressed what a wonderful tribute that is and she was delighted to be present for it. She commended Mrs. Michele Dale of the Goldstar Mothers. With regard to the Easter egg hunt, she thanked Mr. Rob Slezak and Mrs. Gabby Dwyer and all the rest of the team. She said Saturday was wonderful. They had great weather and a great turnout for the Easter egg hunt. She thanked Mulligans and all the other sponsors. She said if you missed that event, this Thursday there will be the third annual Easter Parade held on Ocean Drive. She thanked Dale Sorenson and said that the money raised from the Parade will go to the Boys and Girls Club. There are two aspects to the Parade. The first in regard to the children's Easter egg hunt, which starts at 4:00 p.m. and then at 4:30 p.m. they call it bonnets and bowties where the boys and girls decorate their hats. Then they have people decorate their golf carts for the Easter Parade. It is hard to believe that this event has not existed before. It is so natural for them. It is a huge crowd and almost as big as the Christmas Parade. The golf carts are so much fun. She said if someone wants to decorate a golf cart and be in the parade there is still time. The Golf Cart Parade will start at 6:00 p.m. and the lineup will begin at 5:00 p.m. on Cardinal Drive. The children will have their Easter egg hunt at Humiston Park. She invited everyone to come out and thanked Dale Sorenson for sponsoring the event.

Councilwoman Moss mentioned that the Vero Beach Museum of Art will have a free day for children on Saturday, April 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. She will be there face painting.

C. Councilmember Robert Brackett's Matters

Sponsored presentation items by the public (10-minute time limit)

Mr. Brackett reported on some of the events that he recently attended. He went to the Hibiscus Festival on both Saturday and Sunday and attended the Jackie Robinson's Baseball game on Monday night. He said there are a lot of events happening in their community.

D. Councilmember Harry Howle's Matters

Sponsored presentation items by the public (10-minute time limit)

12. ADJOURNMENT

Today's meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

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