The City Commission of the City of Fernandina Beach, Florida, met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the City Commission Chambers. Present were Mayor Robin C. Lentz presiding, Vice-Mayor Len Kreger, Commissioners John Miller, Tim Poynter, and Roy G. Smith. Also present were City Manager Dale L. Martin, City Attorney Tammi Bach, and City Clerk Caroline Best.

Mayor Lentz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The invocation was then given by American Legion Chaplain Bruce Malcolm.

4.1 PROCLAMATION - MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID MONTH: Mayor Lentz read the Proclamation in full recognizing June, 2017 as "Mental Health First Aid Month." A Community liaison and Mental Health First Aid Instructor was present to accept the Proclamation.

4.2 PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL FLAG DAY & NATIONAL FLAG WEEK: Mayor Lentz read the Proclamation in full proclaiming June 14, 2017, as "National Flag Day," and the week of June 11-17, 2017, as "National Flag Week." Amelia Island Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution First Vice Regent Carol Elefterion was present to accept the Proclamation. After thanking the Commission, Ms. Elefterion invited the public to bring flags that are no longer serviceable to a flag retirement ceremony Wednesday June 14th 10am at Fire Station 2.

4.3 PRESENTATION – OCEAN HIGHWAY AND PORT AUTHORITY: Mr. Adam Salzburg Commissioner District 3 and representative of the Ocean Highway and Port Authority (OHPA) presented the Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) payments to the City Commission for Fiscal Years 2014/2015 and 2015/2016. Mr. Salzburg announced the results for the Supreme Court PILOT Program had been overturned and presented two checks to the City for 2014 and 2015 and stated the 2016 check is most likely to arrive in July.

4.4 PRESENTATION - UTILITIES DEPARTMENT: Utilities Director John Mandrick gave a presentation on current and future Utilities operations, projects, finance and capital. Sewers primary role is to protect our waters; the sewer plant holds the water and makes it clean as it discharges directly to the Amelia River. As an enterprise fund/business the water and sewer has returns that go assist the general fund. In 2003, the City took a risk in purchasing a water utility and forming a utilities department and to date water has transferred $3.3 million dollars to the general fund.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA OR ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA:

WATERFRONT CONSULTANT MEETING: Dr. Chip Ross, 210 N. 3rd Street, $11,500 is money that could have gone to local citizens on modest incomes or social security or towards local organizations such as the Barnabas Food Pantry, public library, Habit for Humanity, dock repair, instead that amount was spent for private, secret meetings the Commissioners had individually with Dix.+Hite consultants. Dr. Ross' three concerns are the amount ($11,500) spent; it may violate negotiation terms and price but not scope, and the individual meetings between Dix.+Hite and the Commissioners may have violated Sunshine Law and Florida Statute 286.011 which states all meetings are open to the public at all times.

City Attorney Bach explained Dr. Ross telephoned her prior to this evening's presentation. In reviewing case law, unless there is an official action that comes out of the meetings it is not a violation (of Sunshine Law). The meetings were conducted by Dix.+Hite consultants for clarification, interviewing the Commissioners individually for their perspectives. Those discussions are documented and will be presented in the scope of deliverables and reviewed at a future City Commission meeting.

Vice Mayor Kreger pointed out the Dix.+Hite interviews were announced at the May 2nd City Commission Regular meeting however he was unaware a fee was involved until the day prior to the interviews and confirmed with City Attorney Bach the fee was in compliance with the law.

MARINA FUEL TANK: Mr. Philip Chapman, 2120 Florida Avenue, noted to the Commission "it's time to put muscle where your mouth is" when it comes to economic development. Local sea captains, including Kevin McCarthy, are struggling to survive and fuel their boats since Hurricane Matthew. A temporary tank was installed but Mr. McCarthy was denied access to it. Mr. McCarthy's boat tours are beneficial to economic development and generate tourism. Mr. Chapman implored the Commission to personally assist in getting a fuel tank for the marina.

WATERFRONT CONSULTANT: Mr. Lynn Williams, 1899 S. Fletcher Avenue, remarked Dix.+Hite was not an original selection of the top three candidates, however per City Senior Planner Kelly Gibson and City Manager Dale Martin, Dix.+Hite was moved from 4th place to 3rd place and they were subsequently hired. Although Mr. Williams is friendly with Ms. Beth Lemke, who put together the Dix.+Hite team, there is an issue with the City Manager telling the consultants what to do which is why they were hired. Considering the Commission is not skilled or knowledgeable enough to discuss the waterfront, its counterproductive to have the secret meetings and is a pedestrian effort that needs to be changed.

HICKORY STREET EXTENSION: Mrs. Lisa Timm, 123 West Hirth Road Unit 202, as a new resident who relocated for a job, she chose this area because of the ecology of the island. Her concern is the plan to pave Hickory Street with five to seven building lots and driveways that will affect the ecology of the area. Ms. Timm and her husband purchased a home to be built in Shell Cove with the understanding adjacent lots would be developed however they were unaware Hickory Street would be paved. Imploring the City to purchase the land from the Nassau County School Board and maintain it as a greenway, noting her former town has successfully purchased tracts of land for conservation rather than allowing it to be developed.

GUM STREET PROPERTY: Ms. Joan Bean, 141 N. 15th Street, is unclear about the property Mrs. Timm was discussing and questioned where the Nassau County School Board property was located. Ecology and preservation are needed. Mayor Lentz clarified the Nassau County School Board property is on Gum Street which is currently under contract to an outside buyer.

Vice Mayor Kreger noted the Northeast Florida Land Trust was interested in purchasing the property for conservation purposes although at this point it does not look like that will happen. There are ongoing negotiations regarding design and Hickory Street, also at the June 20th meeting there will be a proposal and discussion of the Green Fund by private groups to buy remaining open property in the City. Citrona is zoned R-1 and the right of way was vacated provided the Nassau County School Board build a school which did not happen and reverted back to the right

of way. Mayor Lentz added she had spoken to Nassau County School Board President Kathy Burns and the City needed to keep an eye on the property for the opportunity to purchase it.

CIVILITY: Mr. Medardo Monzon, 2826 S. Fletcher Avenue, moved here five years ago with his wife and appreciates the courtesy, dedication and professionalism of the City staff and Commission and expressed his thanks and gratitude. Although he has not always agreed with the Commission, he believes there is an illness permeating the community; lack of civility. Over the last two years through social and print media there are innuendos, rumor, hearsay and false accusations towards the City and Commission which undermines local government, creates a toxic environment, and violates the Constitution. With hopes to one day sit on the Commission with intent to serve the community, Mr. Monzon asked that the current Commission, through the new Public Information Officer, communicate civility to the public in an effort to promote mutual respect.

CONSULTANTS: Mr. Charles N. (CN) Corbett, 106 N. 15th Street, asked the Commission when the public would be meeting with the Dix.+Hite consultants. City Manager Martin explained the intent is the Dix.+Hite consultants will notate the comments of the Commissioners and present them at the tentatively scheduled June 20th City Commission Special Meeting. The public will have the opportunity to speak prior to any action being taken.

ENVIRONMENT: Mr. Medardo Monzon, 2826 S. Fletcher Avenue, thanked the Commission for supporting the Lignotech venture through which the recently reneged, Paris Climate Agreement (to mitigate global warming), goals have not only been met but surpassed by reducing the CO2 emissions by 236 million pounds per year. As a small community we are making a big contribution to the environment and the hope is the Commission will follow suit of other communities and continue to live by the accord despite the federal government's choice to withdraw.

City Attorney Bach is working on a letter for the Commission to review based on a form letter sent by mayors nationwide in support of the Paris Climate Agreement.

Commissioner Miller remarked not only is the Lignotech contract beneficial for reducing greenhouse gases emitted by the plant but it makes concrete last longer which reduces the need to produce concrete that is a major cause of greenhouse gases.

6. CONSENT AGENDA: The following two items were on the Consent Agenda and were approved by one motion.

6.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: According to the agenda support documents, the Regular Meeting of March 7, 2017; the Special Meeting of March 21, 2017; and the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2017 were presented for approval. Staff recommended approval of the Minutes as presented. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve the recommendation. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

6.2 RESOLUTION 2017-78 APPROVING A FACILITIES USE AGREEMENT WITH THE NASSAU ALCOHOL CRIME DRUG AND ABATEMENT COALITION (NACDAC) TO USE AIRPORT PROPERTY TO CONDUCT THE SIXTH ANNUAL 5K BEN BYRNS

RUNWAY RALLY ON OCTOBER 7, 2017: According to the agenda support documents this agreement approves a Facilities Use Agreement with the Nassau Alcohol Crime Drug and Abatement Coalition for the Sixth Annual 5K Ben Byrns Rally on October 7, 2017. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-78. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

6.3 RESOLUTION 2017-79 APPROVING ONE ADDITIONAL APPLICATION FOR CITY SEWER, REFUSE AND STORM WATER FEE EXEMPTION FOR FISCALYEAR 2016/2017: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-79 approves one additional applicant for exemption of payment for City Sewer, Refuse and Storm Water Services from May 1, 2017, through September 30, 2017. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-79. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

6.4 RESOLUTION 2017-80 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A RELEASE OF LIEN FOR 511 NORTH11TH STREET WHICH BENEFITED FROM A CDBG HOUSING REPLACEMENT GRANT: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-80 authorizes the Mayor to execute a full Release of Lien for the property located at 511 North 11th Street. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-80. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

6.5 RESOLUTION 2017-81 – AWARDING BID # 17- 04 TO ARBOR PRO, INC. FOR URBANFORESTRY SERVICES: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017 -81 awards Bid # 17-04 to Arbor Pro, Inc. and authorizes the City Manager to execute a professional services agreement with Arbor Pro, Inc. in an amount not to exceed $29,900. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-81. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

7.1 RESOLUTION 2017-82 SUNSETTING THE GREENS AND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE; CREATING A GOLF COURSE ADVISORY BOARD; DEFINING ITS POWERS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES; PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, TERMS, QUORUM, ORGANIZATION, ROLE, POWERS AND DUTIES, AND MEETING FREQUENCY: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-82 approves the sunsetting of the Greens and Oversight Committee and the creation of a Golf Course Advisory Board. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-82. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

City Attorney Bach noted the Greens and Oversight Committee had seven members and the Golf Course Advisory Board will have five members which the City Commission will appoint.

7.2 RESOLUTION 2017-83 - AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO DEFEND THE CITY IN CERTAIN LITIGATION: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-83 authorizes the City Attorney to work with City claims administrator, Preferred

Governmental Claim Solutions (PGCS), appear on behalf of if necessary, and defend the City of Fernandina Beach in the matter of Deborah Lickliter v. City of Fernandina Beach, Case No.:2017-CA-108 in the Fourth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Nassau County, Florida. City Attorney Bach explained the case is a trip and fall case with alleged injuries and negligence claim that occurred outside of the Fernandina Beach Public Library. The case has been assigned to the insurance defense counsel and is still under investigation. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Poynter to approve Resolution 2017-83. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

7.3 RESOLUTION 2017-84 - APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE YOUTH PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 AND APPROVING THE YOUTH PROGRAM BUDGET AMENDMENT: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-84 approves a budget transfer in the amount of $25,000 from the Youth Program Temporary Salaries account to the Youth Program Part-Time Salaries account. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-84. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

7.4 RESOLUTION 2017-85 APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE MLK CENTER BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-85 approves amendments totaling $14,280 for the installation of a fire alarm system at the MLK Center. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-85. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

7.5 RESOLUTION 2017-86 AMENDING RESOLUTION 2016-52 AND APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE NASSAU COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING CITY COLLECTION OF TRANSPORTATION MOBILITY FEES APPLIED WITHIN CITY LIMITS: According to the agenda support documents Resolution 2017-86 approves an Interlocal Agreement with the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners for the collection of Mobility Fees within Mobility Zone 1. **A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Resolution 2017-86. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

8.1 FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-18 AMENDING ARTICLE II, BEACHES, SECTION 90-48 BY PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL BEACH DRIVING PERMITS FOR DISABLED PERSONS: According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-18 amends Section 90-48 of the City Code pertaining to special beach driving permits for disabled persons. City Attorney Bach clarified the State of Florida exempted fishing licenses issued prior to 1989 that preempt the City of Fernandina Beach ordinance. The ordinance also requires only cars and trucks be permitted not four wheel drive or other vehicles.

Commissioner Miller asked if this would require a beach driving course. Vice Mayor Kreger explained the training was only for municipal staff. City Attorney Bach noted the Ordinance does require successful completion of the beach driving course. **A motion was made by**

**Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Ordinance 2017-18. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

9.1 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-10 AMENDING CHAPTER 30, CEMETERY, ARTICLES I-IV, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; BY AMENDING SECTIONS 30-1, 30-39, 30-43, 30-57 AND 30-109: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-10 by title only, which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, AMENDING CHAPTER 30, CEMETERY, ARTICLES I-IV, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; BY AMENDING SECTION 30-1 PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 30-39 BULK PURCHASES; AMENDING SECTION 30-43 TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP; AMENDING SECTION 30-57 PERPETUAL CARE SERVICES AND FEES; AMENDING SECTION 30-109 MEMORIAL AND VAULT INSTALLATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The public hearing was opened at this time and there being no comments from the floor, the public hearing was closed. According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-10 amends various sections of the City Code pertaining to the Bosque Bello Cemetery. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Vice Mayor Kreger to approve Ordinance 2017-10. Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

9.2 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-12 - AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY STRIKING SECTION 4.01.02 AND TABLE 4.01.02 (A) AND AMENDING SECTION 4.01.01: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-12 by title only which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY STRIKING SECTION 4.01.02 AND TABLE 4.01.02(A) COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA DENSITY BONUS INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND AMENDING SECTION 4.01.01 TO INCREASE THE BASE DENSITY WITHIN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND MODIFY PERMISSIBLE HOUSING TYPES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-12 amends the Land Development Code specific to downtown density. The public hearing was opened at this time.

Mr. Philip Chapman, 2120 Florida Avenue, asked the Commission to table the issue at the seeming request of the City Manager who was quoted in the Fernandina Observer blog as saying "before anything moves forward the key component is to understand the needs related to parking". Parking should be resolved before moving forward with increasing downtown density.

Mayor Lentz asked whether there were any other members of the public who wished to speak. There being none, the public hearing was closed. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Commissioner to approve Ordinance 2017-12.** Vice Mayor Kreger noted the parking committee was established as a part of the whole issue to review in 2000, 2002 and 2009 current mobility. It will expand to other issues including parking**.** Mayor Lentz noted Police Chief Hurley is interviewing stakeholder's i.e. Main Street board, business owners,

residents. **Vote upon passage of the motion was taken by ayes and nays and being all ayes, carried.**

9.3 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017 13 - CHANGING THE CITY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-13 by title only which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CITY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM INDUSTRIAL (IND) TO ASSIGN A LAND USE DESIGNATION OF CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CBD) FOR FOUR PARCELS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 0.32 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE AMELIA RIVER WATERFRONT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA ON BROOME STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The public hearing was opened at this time and there being no comments from the floor, the public hearing was closed. According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-13 assigns a Future Land Use Map designation of Central Business District (CBD) to 0.32 acres of land located on Broome Street. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve Ordinance 2017-13. Vote upon passage of the motion was as follows:**

**Commissioner Poynter: Aye**
**Commissioner Miller: Aye**
**Commissioner Smith: Aye**
**Vice Mayor Kreger: Nay**
**Mayor Lentz: Aye**

**Motion carried.**

Vice Mayor Kreger reiterated that he will be voting "No' on all of the density increase Ordinances.

9.4 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-14 CHANGING THE CITY'S ZONING MAP: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-14 by title only which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CITY'S ZONING MAP FROM INDUSTRIAL (I-1) TO ASSIGN A ZONING MAP CATEGORY OF CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (C-3) FOR FOUR PARCELS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 0.32 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE AMELIA RIVER WATERFRONT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA ON BROOME STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The public hearing was opened at this time and there being no comments from the floor, the public hearing was closed. According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-14 assigns a Zoning Category of Central Business District (C-3) to approximately 0.32 acres located on Broome Street. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve Ordinance 2017-14. Vote upon passage of the motion was as follows:**

**Commissioner Poynter: Aye**
**Commissioner Miller: Aye**
**Commissioner Smith: Aye**

**Vice Mayor Kreger: Nay**
**Mayor Lentz: Aye**

**Motion carried.**

9.5 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-15 - CHANGING THE CITY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-15 by title only which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CITY'S FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM INDUSTRIAL (IND) TO ASSIGN A LAND USE DESIGNATION OF CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CBD) FOR THREE PARCELS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 0.59 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE AMELIA RIVER WATERFRONT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA ON NORTH 2ND STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The public hearing was opened at this time and there being no comments from the floor, the public hearing was closed. According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-15 assigns a Future Land Use Map designation of Central Business District (CBD) to 0.59 acres of land located on North 2nd Street. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve Ordinance 2017-15. Vote upon passage of the motion was as follows:**

**Commissioner Poynter: Aye**
**Commissioner Miller: Aye**
**Commissioner Smith: Aye**
**Vice Mayor Kreger: Nay**
**Mayor Lentz: Aye**

**Motion carried.**

9.6 SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2017-16 - CHANGING THE CITY'S ZONING MAP: City Attorney Bach read Ordinance 2017-16 by title only which was as follows: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FERNANDINA BEACH, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE CITY'S ZONING MAP FROM INDUSTRIAL (I-1) TO ASSIGN A ZONING MAP CATEGORY OF CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (C-3) FOR THREE PARCELS TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 0.59 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE AMELIA RIVER WATERFRONT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA ON NORTH 2ND STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE." The public hearing was opened at this time and there being no comments from the floor, the public hearing was closed. According to the agenda support documents Ordinance 2017-16 assigns a Zoning Category of Central Business District (C-3) to approximately 0.59 acres located on North 2nd Street. **A motion was made by Commissioner Poynter, seconded by Commissioner Miller to approve Ordinance 2017-16. Vote upon passage of the motion was as follows:**

**Commissioner Poynter: Aye**
**Commissioner Miller: Aye**
**Commissioner Smith: Aye**

**Vice Mayor Kreger:** **Nay**
**Mayor Lentz:** **Aye**

**Motion carried.**

10. CITY COMMISSION DISCUSSION ONLY (NO ACTION):

10.1 DUNE AND BEACH MANAGEMENT PLAN - This item was placed on the agenda at the request of Vice Mayor Kreger. Vice Mayor Kreger gave a proposal and recommendations for a beach and dunes management plan. Having reviewed all the regulations and documentation that pertains to beach and dune management there is a proposal to appoint, within the city staff, an organizational land conservation manager to oversee the beach, dunes and greenway. The beach and dunes are an inseparable system. There are two specific ordinances that cover beach renourishment, one from 1998 between the US Navy and the State of Florida which provides annual re-nourishment, with an estimate of $550 million dollars. The 2008 cost share of 70% that has specific requirements that will now become more critical with the impending departure of the Grants Administrator. The 2011 Comprehensive Plan policy requires beach access areas with no walkovers (approx. 48) be identified for corrective improvements. Currently there are three contracts with Olson & Associates who recommends a $116,000 survey. The Municipal Services Taxing Unit (MSTU) covers the two projects within the City but the 3.7 miles outside of the city have not been a surveyed since 2008. There is a meeting June 22nd regarding the anticipated forthcoming $12 million dollar beach renourishment due to Hurricane Matthew. The plan is good and Vice Mayor Kreger recommends having one person to manage the project; specifically start identifying the beach accesses which require dune walkovers.

Commissioner Miller asked about The District Council money. Vice Mayor Kreger responded that The District Council has about 10% beach maintenance money which is approximately $530,000 to do beach cleanup. Commissioner Miller asked about private properties on the North end. Vice Mayor Kreger explained there are private properties however there is conservation up to 9th Street.

Commissioner Poynter mentioned permissions were needed to renourish the beach from north beach property owners. Vice Mayor Kreger stated 64% of City residents go to the beach and asked City Manager Martin to have one person from City staff to oversee the project. Mayor Lentz offered to support the initiative as did Commissioners Miller and Poynter. ***The consensus of the City Commission was to direct the City Manager to move forward with staff realignment associated with supporting the Beach and Dune Management Plan.***

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

PEARL HARBOR: City Manager Martin acknowledged the historic significance of today, June 6th, which marks the 76th Anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

FLORIDA CITY/COUNTY MANAGERS ASSOCIATION (FCCMA) CONFERENCE: City Manager Martin attended the FCCMA Conference last week. Some relevant topics included: drones, festivals, economic outlook, manager evaluations, and transportation automation. Mr. Martin met with interested vendors including solid waste collection, architects, code compliance, benefits administration, and recruiters. The Florida League of Cities (FLC) President personally

requested the City of Fernandina Beach Commissioners attend the annual FLC conference in Orlando, August 17-19, 2017.

BUDGET MEETINGS: City Manager Martin announced budget meetings have concluded with department directors; individual meetings with Commissioners begin tomorrow.

AIRPORT: City Manager Martin noted the airport terminal bids will be opened Thursday (June 8).

AIRPORT MANAGER HIRED: City Manager Martin announced an Airport Manager has been hired: Mr. Nathan Coyle of McCall, Idaho; tentatively scheduled to begin work early August; formal press release to be distributed tomorrow.

GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR: City Manager Martin announced Grants Administrator Cheryl Lilly has tendered her resignation to pursue other professional opportunities. Ms. Lilly worked for City for nearly nine years; her last day, June 23.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS:

LEGAL ASSISTANT: City Attorney Bach announced the Legal Department hired Legal Assistant Katie Newton who will begin work June 19th. Ms. Newton is very qualified; she has a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a Master's degree in Public Administration and is technologically well versed.

CITY CLERK REPORTS:

VIETNAM VETERANS ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL SERVICE: City Clerk Best attended the Vietnam Veterans Association Memorial Service and thanked the organization for orchestrating the annual event to horror those who served and paid the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

CANDIDATE PETITION DEADLINE: City Clerk Best announced the 2017 General Election Candidate Petition deadline is prior to noon on Monday, June 12th at the Nassau County Supervisor of Elections Office.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

HURRICANE SEASON: Commissioner Miller gave kudos to City staff for doing a fantastic job of informing residents of the need to be prepared for hurricane season which began June 1st.

PRAISE: Commissioner Miller offered praise to Chief of Police Hurley; noting he received several outstanding comments about the professionalism of the Fernandina Beach Police Officers over the past weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS: Commissioner Miller offered congratulations to the Ocean Rescue Fire Department Lifeguards, noting they are doing an excellent job this season of notifying beachgoers of approaching storms and rip currents.

THANKS: Commissioner Poynter thanked longtime residents Sam and Judith Lane for their many years of dedicated service to the City of Fernandina Beach as members of a variety of advisory boards. Mr. and Mrs. Lane are relocating to the Jacksonville area.

PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD (PAB) APPOINTMENT: Commissioner Poynter noted Ms. Judith Lane was his appointment to the PAB. Mrs. Lanes relocation created a vacancy on the PAB and Commissioner Poynter desires to appoint Engineer Mr. John Boylan of Westrock.

MEETING: Commissioner Poynter announced he will have a meeting this Thursday evening, 6:00PM at Café Karibo. He invited all to attend to enjoy cookies and tea and to bring their civic concerns and solutions.

STORMWATER FUNDING: Vice Mayor Kreger noted the State of Florida budget has $500,000 for the City of Fernandina Beach's downtown stormwater fund.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY: Vice Mayor Kreger attended the Vietnam Veterans Association Memorial Day service.

MILITARY DIVERSION VETERAN PROGRAM OF NASSAU COUNTY: Vice Mayor Kreger announced he is a mentor for the relatively new Military Diversion Veteran Program which counsels discharged service personnel who have been convicted of a Driving under the Influence and/or some felonies. Discharged service personnel who complete the two year program have their criminal record expunged.

CONDOLENCES: Mayor Lentz extended condolences to the Coyle family and thanked community leaders for rallying to support the Coyle family and other member of the community, particularly young people, affected by the loss of Coach Coyle.

THANKS: Mayor Lentz thanked Mr. Medardo Monzon for speaking to civility during this meeting.

GOOD LUCK: Mayor Lentz wished Grants Administrator Cheryl Lilly good luck in her future endeavors and stated she would be missed.

FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES CONFERENCE: Mayor Lentz noted the annual Florida League of Cities Conference occurs just before school starts each year which conflicts with a teacher's schedule. Mayor Lentz asked that her fellow Commissioners consider attending this important conference to represent the City of Fernandina Beach.

FUEL TANK: Mayor Lentz asked City Manager Martin for an update regarding a fuel tank at the Marina. Mr. Martin stated Fernandina Harbor Marina Manager Joe Springer has received an estimate of approximately $108,000 for a new fuel tank. City and Marina personnel are in the process of repurposing Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) grants to fund the fuel tank. Mayor Lentz asked that the project be prioritized.

FENCE: Mayor Lentz stated the Nassau County School Board is not in favor of removing the fence in front of the School Board building on Atlantic Avenue; however the School Board mentioned making openings in the fence to create a more inviting area and Mayor Lentz suggested planting Jasmine along the fence to produce an attractive vegetative buffer.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

ATTEST:

Caroline Best
CAROLINE BEST
City Clerk

Robin C. Lentz
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Mayor-Commissioner