

HILLIARD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Hilliard Town Hall / Council Chambers
15859 West County Road 108
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Hilliard, FL 32046

TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

John P. Beasley, Mayor
Kenny Sims, Council President
Lee Pickett, Council Pro Tem
Joe Michaels, Councilman
Jared Wollitz, Councilman
Dallis Hunter, Councilman

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Lisa Purvis, Town Clerk
Richie Rowe, Public Works Director
Gabe Whittenburg, Parks & Rec Director

TOWN ATTORNEY

Christian Waugh

MINUTES

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023, 7:00 PM

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Anyone wishing to address the Town Council regarding any item on this agenda is requested to complete an agenda item sheet in advance and give it to the Town Clerk. The sheets are located next to the printed agendas in the back of the Council Chambers. Speakers are respectfully requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes. A speaker's time may not be allocated to others.

PLEDGE OF CIVILITY

WE WILL BE RESPECTFUL OF ONE ANOTHER
EVEN WHEN WE DISAGREE.
WE WILL DIRECT ALL COMMENTS TO THE ISSUES.
WE WILL AVOID PERSONAL ATTACKS.
"Politeness costs so little." – ABRAHAM LINCOLN

CALL TO ORDER

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor John Beasley
Council President Kenny Sims
Council Pro Tem Lee Pickett
Councilman Jared Wollitz
Councilman Dallis Hunter
Councilman Joe Michaels

MAYOR

To call on members of the audience wishing to address the Council on matters not on the Agenda.

Timothy Fisk, 27146 West First Avenue, Hilliard, states that Golf Carts on streets are not at all legal and the Town needs to make sure the law is being followed. Further states the appointments of the new Council should not vote if the people did not elect them. States he will pay someone to run the next time.
Mayor Beasley explains that the three, including himself, qualified and went into office unopposed.

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis advises that is the law.

Council President Sims states if only one person qualifies for President, then they automatically are President.

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM-1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Item-14 Town Council discussion about Fleet & Associates Payables.

Motion made by Councilman Wollitz, Seconded by Council President Sims.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

ITEM-2 Town Council adoption on First Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-01, Enacting a process for the Vacation of Public Right-of-Ways within the Town Limits and set a Public Hearing for Second/Final Reading on Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Council Pro Tem Pickett.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

ITEM-3 Town Council adoption on First Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-02, Amending Chapter 58 Utilities Code and set a Public Hearing for Second/Final Reading on Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Lisa Purvis, MMC – Town Clerk

Motion made by Councilman Michaels, Seconded by Councilman Hunter.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

ITEM-4 Town Council adoption on First Reading, Ordinance No. 2023-03, Regulating the Water & Sewer Rates; in accordance with the Town Charter Section 4.11(5) Action Reuiring an Ordinance and set a Public Hearing for Second/Final Reading on Thursday, May 18, 2023.

Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk

Motion made by Councilman Michaels, Seconded by Council President Sims.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

ITEM-5 Town Council adoption of Resolution No. 2023-07, Amending the Town of Hilliard's Cross-Connection Control Program & Back-Flow Prevention Devices Policy.

Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Councilman Hunter.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

- ITEM-6 Town Council to approve decision moving forward regarding the Florida Retirement System audit findings contribution and penalties.
Tiffany Bowden, CMC - Deputy Town Clerk
- Motion made to table item.
Motion made by Councilman Michaels.
Councilman Michaels withdraws his motion.
- Motion made to file and pay contribution only and bring back before the Council prior to paying any penalties if assessed.
- Motion made by Councilman Hunter, Seconded by Councilman Wollitz.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels
- ITEM-7 Town Council discussion and approval to purchase a Christmas Tree to be used at the Town of Hilliard's annual Christmas events.
Alicia Head – Administrative Assistant
- Councilman Hunter** states he has a good relationship with the Christmas Tree Company and would like the item tabled.
- Motion to table item for Councilman Hunter to reach out to his contact for a Christmas Tree quote.
- Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Councilman Michaels.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels
- ITEM-8 Town Council approval to surplus the Public Works Department's 2001 Ford F250 Pick-up Truck.
Cory Hobbs - Assistant Public Works Director
- Motion made to surplus the Public Works Department Truck and to list with GovDeals.
- Motion made by Councilman Wollitz, Seconded by Council Pro Tem Pickett.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels
- ITEM-9 Town Council to discuss adjusting the date for a Joint Workshop concerning the Cosmos Trail Project.
Lee Anne Wollitz - Land Use Administrator
- Discussion to not move date from May 4, 2023, due to there not being enough time to notify other Property Owners of the Workshop.
- ITEM-10 Town Council to review and accept the Land Use Administrator's Quarterly Report for January 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023.
Lee Anne Wollitz - Land Use Administrator

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Council Pro Tem Pickett.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman
Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

- ITEM-11 Town Council to review and accept the Building Official's Quarterly Report for January 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023.
Bryan Higginbotham - Building Official

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Councilman Hunter.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman
Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

- ITEM-12 Town Council to review and accept the Code Enforcement Officer's Quarterly Report for January 1, 2023, through March 31, 2023.
Del Miley - Code Enforcement Officer

Motion made by Councilman Hunter, Seconded by Councilman Wollitz.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman
Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

- ITEM-13 Town Council approval of the Minutes from the April 6, 2023, Public Hearing & Regular Meeting, April 6, 2023, Workshop, April 6, 2023, Special Meeting, and April 11, 2023, Joint Workshop.
Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk

Motion made by Council President Sims, Seconded by Council Pro Tem Pickett.
Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman
Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

ADDED ITEMS

- ITEM-14 Town Council discussion of Fleet & Associates Payable.

Councilman Wollitz states that he had asked for Janis to provide a breakdown on her invoicing, and what was provided is still not what he was looking to see. Further states he wants a better breakdown, similar to the Land Use Administrator and the Town Attorney provide.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PUBLIC

Marcus Gates, 27306 West Fifth Avenue, Hilliard, asks why the playgrounds are not ADA compliant, and why Buck Park equipment is not maintained.

MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL

Councilman Wollitz states there were three from the Hilliard Volunteer Fire Department at the fire in Bryceville.

Councilman Michaels states he will talk to Parks & Recreation Director Whittenburg about the parks.

Council Pro Tem Pickett Asks if the North Oxford Ball Park sign has been put back up at the park and states that he will find out when the sign will be back up.

Mayor Beasley asks Town Clerk Lisa Purvis to take a Tally on the Tallahassee Trip. Further states he will be painting at the VFW Post 10095 for their Painting with the Stars event.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

PRESENT

Town Clerk, Lisa Purvis

Public Works Director, Ritchie Rowe

ABSENT

Parks & Recreation Director, Gabe Whittenburg (at Soccer practice)

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis explains the trip to Tallahassee to Assistant Public Works Director Cory Hobbs.

ATTORNEY NORBERG

No comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made to adjourn at 7:48 p.m.

Motion made by Councilman Michaels, Seconded by Councilman Wollitz.

Voting Yea: Council President Sims, Council Pro Tem Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilman Hunter, Councilman Michaels

Approved this 4th day of May, 2023 by the Hilliard Town Council, Hilliard, Florida.



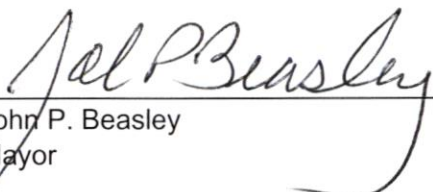
Kenneth A. Sims, Sr.
Council President

ATTEST:



Lisa Purvis
Town Clerk

APPROVED:



John P. Beasley
Mayor