HILLIARD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Hilliard Town Hall / Council Chambers 15859 West County Road 108 Post Office Box 249 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 Cory Hobbs, Interim Public Works Director Gabe Whittenburg, Parks & Rec Director

TOWN ATTORNEY

Christian Waugh

MINUTES

THURSDAY, MAY 01, 2025, 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 Dallis Hunter
Councilman Joe Michaels

ABSENT

Councilman Jared Wollitz

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM-1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda

ITEM-8 Town Council to add the approval of purchasing the Nyren three parcels for the Hilliard Airpark.

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

Town Council to consider the Park Facility Use Agreement for First Baptist Church of Boulogne's community event at the Town Hall Park on Saturday, May 3, 2025, 4:00 p.m. through 6:00 p.m.

Gabe Whittenburg - Parks & Recreation Director

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

Town Council approval of the Airpark Land Acquisition Loan Agreement with Hilliard Aviation, Inc. in the amount of \$52,000.

Lisa Purvis. MMC – Town Clerk

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

Town Council approval of the FY 2025 Revenues and Expenditures Report for the period ending March 30, 2025.

Lisa Purvis, MMC – Town Clerk

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

ITEM-5 Town Council to set a date for Mr. Timothy Fisk's public records request to appear on the agenda.

Lisa Purvis, MMC – Town Clerk

Timothy Fisk, 27146 West First Avenue, Hilliard, submitted a request to speak on this item at the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Fisk requests Councilman Michaels' termination letter citing just cause for his termination from his time as Parks & Recreation Director, along with the last three performance reviews. He also states his daughter wants to review Public Information Officer & Event Coordinator Alicia Head's disciplinary file after a video surfaced online of her vaping in Town Hall. Mr. Fisk further requests Town Clerk Lisa Purvis' personnel file to check for any formally investigated complaints, stating he does not trust her.

Mr. Fisk also raises concerns about ADA parking at North Oxford Park, noting that although the Town reported one space, it lacks proper markings and accessibility features required by law. He added that ADA requirements apply per lot, not total spaces.

He then discusses being criminally trespassed from Town Hall, claiming the notice was altered and demanding an apology. Mr. Fisk also mentions an incident where someone was attempting to pay \$10 in pennies, prompting a police call, and questioning the Town's cash policies, which he says he could not find in writing.

Mr. Fisk requests all Hagan Ace Hardware receipts from the past fiscal year, alleging the Town has exceeded its credit limit.

Council President Sims interjects Mr. Fisk's comments, noting the item was to set a date to discuss these issues.

Motion to place Mr. Fisk's item on the May 15, 2025, agenda.

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

ITEM-6 Town Council approval of the Minutes for the April 10, 2025, Workshop, and the April 17, 2025, Public Hearing & Regular Meeting.

Lisa Purvis, MMC – Town Clerk

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

Town Council approval of Burdens Overhead Doors Inc., Payable through April 23, 2025, Project Name: Fire Department Overhead Doors in the amount of \$19,565.00.

CAPITAL FUNDED PROJECT LUMP SUM CONTRACT \$19,565

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

ADDED ITEMS

ITEM-8 Town Council approval of the Hilliard Airpark FDOT PTGA Land Acquisition along Eastwood Road, for the purchase of three parcels from Mr. Gerald Nyren in the amount of \$114,000.

Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk

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

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

PUBLIC

<u>Timothy Fisk, 27146 West First Avenue, Hilliard,</u> requests that someone be authorized to inspect the skate park to determine what repairs are needed. He mentions knowing people willing to help fix it but notes that state and federal laws currently prevent them from doing so. Mr. Fisk also stated that golf cart signs that the Town installed are not sufficient at the Town limits to inform visitors that it's a golf cart community as he believes that the current placement risks liability to the Town. Mr. Fisk further explains how the Town should make the signs and that he is willing to cover the cost of one of the signs.

MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL

<u>Mayor Beasley</u>, states that Food Truck Friday was packed, and that every vendor ran out of food, the music was great, and the weather was perfect.

He continues stating that the Vietnam Traveling Wall came to Nassau County. He thanks all sponsors and volunteers.

He also wishes all mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

PRESENT:

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis

ABSENT:

Interim Public Works Director Cory Hobbs
Parks & Recreation Director Gabe Whittenburg

<u>Council Pro Tem Pickett</u>, speaks on behalf of Mr. Hobbs, noting that two trees are being removed at the north end of Oxford near the ballpark, and that Oxford will be closed at West Seventh Avenue for a manhole repair.

<u>Mayor Beasley</u>, encourages everyone to attend the youth soccer games and announces that adult basketball will begin on Saturday, May 3, 2025, at the Town Gym.

Town Clerk Lisa Purvis, states that the Nassau County 2050 Vision Plan is scheduled to appear on the May 15, 2025, Public Hearing & Regular Meeting agenda. Prior to that meeting, at 6:00 p.m., the Nassau County Planning Department will be set up in the Town Council chambers to gather public input. Public invitations were included in the May 2025 water and sewer bills. Land Use Administrator Lee Anne Wollitz and Public Information Officer & Event Coordinator Alicia Head are preparing an announcement for the Town's social media and website.

TOWN ATTORNEY

No comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:24 p.m.

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

Approved this 15th day of May, 2025 by the Hilliard Town Council, Hilliard, Florida.

Kenneth A. Sims, Sr. Council President ATTEST:

Lisa Purvis Town Clerk

APPROVED:

John/P. Beasley Mayor