

# HILLIARD TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Hilliard Town Hall / Council Chambers  
15859 West County Road 108  
Post Office Box 249  
Hilliard, FL 32046

## TOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS

Floyd L. Vanzant, Mayor  
John P. Beasley, Council President  
Kenny Sims, Council Pro Tem  
Lee Pickett, Councilman  
Jared Wollitz, Councilman  
Callie Kay Bishop, Councilwoman

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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

## TOWN ATTORNEY

Christian Waugh

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## MINUTES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 01, 2022, 7:00 PM

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### 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 Floyd Vanzant  
Council President John Beasley  
Councilman Lee Pickett  
Councilman Jared Wollitz  
Councilwoman Callie Kay Bishop

## ABSENT

Council Pro Tem Kenny Sims

## MAYOR

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

No public comment.

Town Attorney Waugh reads Proclamation honoring Mrs. Kay from the Hilliard Pharmacy.

Mayor Vanzant presents Proclamation to Mrs. Kay.

## REGULAR MEETING

### ITEM-1 Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Item-7 Hilliard Volunteer Fire Department 2022 Run Reimbursements.

Motion made by Councilman Wollitz, Seconded by Councilman Pickett.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

Item-8 Town Council to decide if the Town will continue to pay for Health Insurance for retired employees and their eligible dependents.

Motion made by Councilman Pickett, Seconded by Council President Beasley.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

Item-9 Town Council to discuss adding Fire Hydrant on Ohio Street.

Motion made by Councilman Pickett, Seconded by Council President Beasley.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

### ITEM-2 Town Council to set additional Joint Workshop to review and discuss the proposed amendments to the Zoning and Land Development Regulations.

**Janis K. Fleet, AICP - Land Use Administrator**

Motion made to set a Joint Workshop for Monday, February 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Motion made by Councilman Pickett, Seconded by Council President Beasley.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

### ITEM-3 Town Council to set a Workshop for Thursday, December 15, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Florida Retirement System audit findings.

**Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk**

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilman Pickett.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

### ITEM-4 Town Council approval of Parks & Recreation Capital Budget Item 'EQUIPMENT - TRUCK' in the amount of \$36,270 from Alan Jay Fleet Sales.

**Gabe Whittenburg – Parks & Recreation Director**

Motion made by Councilman Pickett, Seconded by Councilman Wollitz.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz,  
Councilwoman Bishop

ITEM-5 Town Council to approve Brailen Fossick's Transition from Temporary Staff to Regular Part-Time Staff.  
**Gabe Whittenburg – Parks & Recreation Director**

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilwoman Bishop.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilwoman Bishop

ITEM-6 Town Council approval of the Minutes from the November 14, 2022, Special Meeting, the November 17, 2022, Workshop, and the November 17, 2022, Regular Meeting.  
**Lisa Purvis, MMC - Town Clerk**

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilman Pickett.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilwoman Bishop

**ADDED ITEMS**

ITEM-7 Town Council approval of Hilliard Volunteer Fire Department 2022 Run Reimbursements.

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilman Wollitz.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilwoman Bishop

ITEM-8 Town Council to decide if the Town will continue to pay for Health Insurance for retired employees and their eligible dependents.

Florida State Statute 112.0801 Group Insurance; participation by retired employees, is present to the Town Council. The Clerk advises that coverage is to be offered to retirees but if coverage is declined, they cannot ever be added back on the plan. That it is a one-time opt in at the time of retirement. Retirees are not offered COBRA because they can stay on the plan, but it is up to the Town as the employer if they want to pay the cost for the continued coverage or require the employee to do so.

Following discussion, motion is made to not continue to pay for employees Health Insurance, upon retirement.

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilman Pickett.  
Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilwoman Bishop

ITEM-9 Town Council to discuss if a fire hydrant on Ohio Street between West Sixth Street and West Seventh Street is needed.

Following discussion, Council President Beasley requests this item be added to the December 15, 2022, Agenda.

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**

**PUBLIC**

No comment.

**MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL**

**Mayor Vanzant** reads the upcoming meeting dates:

**December Meetings:**

Thursday, 12-15-2022	@ 6PM	Workshop (FRS Audit)
Thursday, 12-15-2022	@ 7PM	Regular Meeting

**Councilman Wollitz** thanks the Town Staff for their help with the Christmas Tree Lighting.

**Councilman Pickett and Councilwoman Bishop** thank the Town Staff for their help with the Christmas Tree Lighting at Town Hall and at the Life Care Center.

**Council President Beasley** thanks all Town Staff, especially Alicia, for organizing the Christmas Tree Lighting and the Parade of Trees.

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

PRESENT

Town Clerk, Lisa Purvis  
 Public Works Director, Ritchie Rowe  
 Assistant Public Works Director, Cory Hobbs  
 Parks & Recreation Director, Gabe Whittenburg

**Public Works Director Ritchie Rowe** states that he thinks the Christmas Tree Lighting turned out good.

**Parks & Recreation Director Gabe Whittenburg** states that he has had 200 sign up for Basketball and he is hoping for 200 more.

**Town Clerk Lisa Purvis** reminds everyone to RSVP Town Hall for the Staff Christmas Party.

**TOWN ATTORNEY**

**Town Attorney Waugh** states he will have an update on the December 15, 2022, Agenda regarding the Hern litigation.

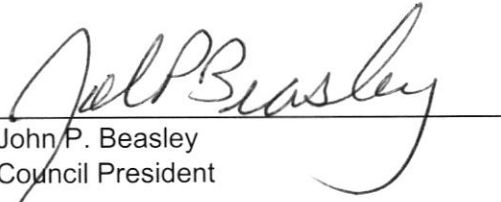
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

Motion made by Council President Beasley, Seconded by Councilman Pickett.

Voting Yea: Council President Beasley, Councilman Pickett, Councilman Wollitz, Councilwoman Bishop

Approved this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023 by the Hilliard Town Council, Hilliard, Florida.



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 John P. Beasley  
 Council President

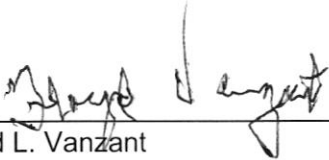
ATTEST:



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Lisa Purvis  
Town Clerk

APPROVED:



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Floyd L. Vanzant  
Mayor