

TOWN OF HYPOLUXO
MINUTES
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
Al Merion Council Chamber
Wednesday, September 20, 2023

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Michael Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

ROLL CALL - ELECTED OFFICIALS: Mayor Michael Brown, Vice Mayor Richard Roney and Town Council Members Brad Doyle, Linda Allen, Bob Leupp, and Stephanie Kahlert were present. There was a quorum.

AGENDA APPROVAL – Addition/Deletions/ Modifications and Adoption –

Vice Mayor Roney moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Councilmember Allen. Vote: Unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS –

All Councilmembers are signed up for the Ethics Training on October 31, 2023. More information will be provided closer to the training.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC – None.

Action/Discussion –

- 1. Consent Agenda – The regular minutes from August 18, 2023 and the Special Meeting Minutes from September 5, 2023 meeting.**

Councilmember Leupp moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Vice Mayor Roney. Vote: Unanimous.

**2. Ordinances and Resolutions –
Public Hearings –**

- a. Resolution 23-520 – A Resolution of the Town of Hypoluxo adopting a tax levy and millage rate for the Town of Hypoluxo for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2023, through September 30, 2024; directing the Deputy Town Clerk to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Property Appraiser and Tax Collector within three (3) days after its adoption; and providing for an effective date. Final Hearing.

The proposed millage rate for the Town of Hypoluxo of 3.2000 is 12.6% more than the roll back rate of 2.8419%.

Attorney Rubin read the Resolution by Title.

Mayor Brown summarized the staff report. He noted, the 3.20 millage rate has not changed for approximately the last five years.

Mayor Brown opened the discussion to the general public. There being none, this section of the meeting was closed.

Councilmember Leupp moved to approve the proposed millage rate of 3.20 for fiscal year 23-24. Seconded by Vice Mayor Roney Vote: Unanimous.

- b. Resolution 23-521 A Resolution of the Town of Hypoluxo adopting a budget for Fiscal Year Commencing October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024. – Final Budget Hearing.

The \$2,807,555 Budget assumes a Millage rate of 3.2000 to fund a portion of the \$2,807,555 General Fund Revenue.

Mayor Brown summarized the staff report for the proposed budget. The majority of the budget is \$1.5 million for public safety.

Mayor Brown opened the discussion to the general public. There being none, this section of the meeting was closed.

Vice Mayor Roney moved to approve the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024. Seconded by Councilmember Allen. Vote: Unanimous.

3. Discussion/Action Items –

Discussion regarding continuing the Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County continuing the lease agreement for the approximately two-acre parcel.

Steven Pisano, Environmental Manager, and Angela Jeters, Supervisor Environmental Resources, Palm Beach County, were present.

Mr. Pisano noted the cost savings to the Town which have changed significantly since the original agreement in 2001. The Town had the responsibility to design and maintain the public facilities. Currently, the county manages 38 Natural Areas of which 26 are open to the public and over 100 structures are maintained. He acknowledged this agreement is unique in that the Town manages and leases the front park area. In response to Mayor Brown, Mr. Pisano does not anticipate any significant alterations to the front area other than general maintenance and the Barefoot Mailman statute and time capsule would remain.

Mayor Brown opened the discussion to the general public. There being none, this section of the meeting was closed.

Attorney Rubin noted the next steps would be to address a basic Interlocal Agreement that will deal with police and fire services, a conservation easement, and some easement issues that need to be vacated.

After discussion, it was the consensus to move forward to negotiate with the County.

4. Information Items & Reports – Budget

Budget – Comparison of Actual Expenditures and Income to Budget and Statement of Reserves-

Councilmember Leupp moved to accept the financial statements for August 31, 2023, as presented. Seconded by Vice Mayor Roney. Vote: Unanimous.

5. Comments - None.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Brown adjourned the meeting at 7:31 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 19 DAY OF October, 2023.

ATTEST:

Michael Brown

Michael C. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dixie Gualtieri

Dixie Gualtieri, Deputy Town Clerk