**Town of Pomona Park – Town Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, June 14, 2022 (6:00 pm) This Meeting was held at Town Hall for Council & Public**

Mayor Joseph Svingala presided. Present Councilwoman CarrieAnn Evans, Councilwoman Lynda Linkswiler, Councilwoman Pat Mead, Councilman Victor Szatkowski, Councilman Bud Eckels, Councilman Dr. Warren, Town Clerk Andrea Almeida, Deputy Clerk Kelly Krupski (attended by phone), Bruce Wolfred Maintenance Supervisor.

Mayor Joseph Svingala led in the pledge to the flag. The Meeting started at 6:02 pm.

Town Clerk Andrea read the Correspondence list.

**Minutes of Council Meeting**

Councilwoman Evans motioned to adopt the minutes of May 10, 2022. Councilman Dr. Warren 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimous.

**Unfinished Business:**

Deputy Clerk Kelly reviewed the financials.

**Beautification**

Councilwoman Linkswiler: announced that Joyce had retired as chair of the beautification committee.

Whinter will be the new Chair of Beautification.

Lynda explained that in the Meeting, the Committee spoke about events that wanted to happen for the town. Some confusion on the rules and what you can and can't do with Beautification. Lynda read the plans from the Committee and the mission statement they created. They would like an event at Hazen Park on July 3 with four food trucks. Along with Beautification selling food. An artisan market with a charge of $15 for set up.

Along with a farmers market with a $15 fee. Some members of the Beautification have donated funds for food, Mathew Morton $270 to cover all costs of the food. Bill Garcia offered $300 to pay for the music. The same event would be held on Labor Day weekend. : Questions, no cars on the ball field. The attorney has advised us not to vote on something not advertised. Mayor Joe suggested voting on just one event. Councilwoman Mead is not comfortable voting. A meeting will be held on Thursday at 6 pm to hold a vote for the events. Up to four food trucks for the events. Linda Frank asked about the Kids in the event. Anna Charles at 136 Robin Rd. She explained that she is organizing the games for the event and has ten volunteers. Martha stated they had the reptile encounter scheduled to come. Martha Mann 406 West Main St. A touch event for kids with animals and reptiles. Joe asked that we only vote on July 3. Joe also stated that he would close East Main to Perry for this event for Parking. Mayor Joe stated he would like to be on the record for the offer. Martha said the members voted on the location.

**Tree Board**

Councilwoman Mead: reviewed the June 2022 quarterly meeting. 3 trees were removed, and 50 trees were trimmed. The Christmas Tree is doing very well and can see new growth. Councilwoman Mead has looked over the Arbor Day trees, and they are doing very well. The trees around the signs do not do well because of the sand.

Questions- Bill Garcia, not in town- asked about the wildflowers. Bruce explained the mowing season for wildflowers is June 1. June and July mowing is allowed. Councilwoman Linkswiler asked about adding more wildflowers. Bruce explained the areas permitted for maintaining and purchasing closer areas to plant flowers to make it safer and better looking than what we currently have. This concludes this Tree Board Meeting. The next Meeting will be in September

**New Business**

**Audit**

Brendan McKitrick

Thanked the Council, Andrea, and Kelly for all that goes into the financials.

Brendan went over the general accounting principles.

They highlight any significance recorded. A few audit adjustments needed to be put in from previous audits. Some of these entries are just because the auditor is new, and we should not have these next year. He reviewed the material weaknesses and what they are, and how to fix them. It has to do with the entries. Preparation of financial statements and controls. In the size of our town, this comment is very common. The option is to hire a CPA or send Kelly to school. The state sees this comment very frequently because of how much it changes. The Florida Auditor's findings the previous have been fixed. The employee manual was one of the problems, and the budget was also on the list. Just something that needs to be corrected. Moving on to the numbers, town revenue is up. Total Town Expenses have gone down. Capital Asset went down due to the update and correct numbers. General Numbers increased due to state revenue and Dot. Better Place and Fund also went up along with the Fuel tax.

State Revenues continue to climb.

**Resolutions 2022-1 and 2022-2**

Town Clerk read the Resolution 2022-1 Lighting Resolution by title only. Councilwoman Evans motioned to approve Resolution 2022-1. Councilman Dr. Warren 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimous.

Town Clerk Andrea read Resolution 2022-2 ARPA Resolution by title only. Councilwoman Evans motioned to approve, and Councilwoman Linkswiler 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimously approved.

**Council Quarterly Reports**

Mayor Joe has asked the Council to start again with quarterly reports. Mayor Joe-Recreation-July

August -Code Enforcement Andrea and Councilman Dr.Warren

September-Tree Board- Councilwoman Mead and Councilwoman Evans

October-Zoning-Councilman Szatkowski

November-Road and Streets- Councilman Eckels

Budget Status-Officer Krupski-October, Budget Public Works- October

Beautification-Councilwoman Linkswiler-Monthly

**Public Comments:**

Larry, in the audience, asked about funding with the ARPA money and what the funds have been spent or allocated on.

Bill Garcia asked about spending with the Beach Area.

Mayor Joe explained that we have a CDBG grant for improvements in the beach area. ADA areas and some areas of the beach. The Ramp for the gazebo, bathrooms, and pavilion area.

Kelly explained that we had been approved for the engineering

We are waiting for a response from the Volusia County Aquifer.

Next couple of months, put it in the paper to go out for bid.

**Florida Clean Air Act**

Mayor Joe reviewed the Florida Clean Air Act. Joe would like to make a smoking area. We will look into this once the state makes the Vote on July 1 and move forward.

**Youth Council**

7 Students ages 13-18

Shirts

Learn the clerk's job and the committees

What is a tree city

Councilwoman Evans motioned to adopt the youth council, and Councilman Dr. Warren 2nd the motion. Councilwoman Evans asked if we have had an interest in the community.  The Vote was unanimous

**Upcoming Events**

Reviewed

Councilwoman Evans motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:35