

MINUTES, UMATILLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 20, 2018 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1 S CENTRAL AVENUE, UMATILLA, FL

Pledge led by **President Wright** and invocation given by **City Clerk Karen Howard**.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

IN ATTENDANCE: President Laura Wright; Vice President Brian Butler; Council members Katherine Adams, Eric Olson, Scott Purvis; Public Works Director Aaron Mercer; Police Chief Adam Bolton; City Attorney Kevin Stone; City Manager Scott Blankenship; City Clerk Karen Howard  
ABSENT: Mayor Mary Johnson

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Purvis; to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.**

**MINUTES REVIEW**

1 Minutes, City Council meeting, February 6, 2018

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Purvis; to approve Minutes of City Council meeting of February 6, 2018. Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

2 Resolution 2018 – 03 SJRWMD Cost Share Agreement

City Attorney Kevin Stone read the resolution by title:

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 03**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A ST JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (REDI) COMMUNITY AND INNOVATIVE COST SHARE FUNDING PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

City Manager Blankenship noted Resolution 2018-03 accepts the Cost Share Agreement for the REDI Grant. Susan Davis presented the big check for \$500,000 to the city. The activities under this grant include smoke testing the entire sewer system to determine areas in which there is inflow and infiltration.

Council member Purvis explained how a smoke test works and gave history of the Umatilla sewer system and close proximity of the old sewer system and stormwater where there is an area of suspected infiltration.

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Purvis; to approve Resolution 2018-03 SJRWMD Cost Share Agreement. Motion carried.**

3 Airport Land Acquisition – West Side of Runway  
a Resolution 2018 – 04 JPA 441270 1 94 02  
b GAI Task Order 6

City Attorney Stone read the resolution by title:

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 04**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UMATILLA, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (JPA) 441270-1-94-02 FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPERTY ACQUISITION AT UMATILLA MUNICIPAL AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

City Manager Blankenship said Resolution 2018-04 accepts the Joint Participation Agreement

from FDOT in the amount of \$650,000 for property acquisition, support services, and closing costs for the purchase of three properties on the west side of the airport runway. Umatilla's contribution toward this was a \$5,000 expenditure for the property appraisals.

**Jack Thompson**, Airport Consultant with GAI, said the partial parallel taxiway safety project is the key piece in acquiring the property. One of the parcels is important in completing the taxiway and the other properties are important for the future.

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Purvis; to approve Resolution 2018-04 accepting FDOT JPA 441270 1 94 02 in the amount of \$650,000 and approval of GAI Task Order 6.**  
**Motion carried.**

4 Resolution 2018 – 07 Big Orange Day and Chili Cook Off March 10, 2018

City Attorney Stone read the resolution by title:

**RESOLUTION 2018 - 07**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UMATILLA, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF THE NORTH END OF HATFIELD DRIVE SPANNING FROM THE HATFIELD DRIVE AND MARY STREET INTERSECTION TO THE NORTH AND RLW REALTY AT 680 HATFIELD DRIVE TO THE SOUTH; AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF MARY STREET FROM CENTRAL AVENUE TO PARKS AVENUE; ON MARCH 10, 2018, DURING THE HOURS OF 11:00 A.M. UNTIL 10:00 P.M.; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**City Manager Blankenship** said Resolution 2018-07 calls for the closure of Mary Street from Central Avenue to Park Street and the closure of North Hatfield Drive from Mary Street to RLW Realty.

There are a lot of hurdles for this event. The sponsorship request is a result of changes we made regarding a charge for utilization of city services. We are charging back event organizers for the services provided. Organizers of new events can submit a request for sponsorship.

**Susan Martin**, Executive Director of the Chamber, noted the Chamber provided you with information. We have a lot of cooperation from Olde Mill Stream and working with the properties along north Hatfield Drive and working to promote the businesses.

Our board committed to fund this but the city sponsorship will help to give back to you. There is a lot of signage and directional signage needed and a lot of safety requirements.

We have many growers who are looking to come out and there is a lot of interest in the Market Day aspect of the event.

The community is interested and we hope to attract drive-by traffic. They will not have an excuse not to stop. We want to put Umatilla on the map.

We have a lot of in-kind sponsors for parking and vendor fees. It goes a long way when you are trying to do something new. The event will be on the east side of SR 19 utilizing Hatfield and wrapping down Mary Street, depending on the number of vendors.

There will be port-o-lets and dumpsters utilizing the city's contract with Waste Management. We have worked with **Chief Bolton** and **Mr. Mercer**. We want to put this out front.

There is a great amount of interest in chili teams with twelve lined up at this time.

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Butler; to approve Resolution 2018-07 authorizing road closure. Motion carried.**

**MOTION by Olson; SECOND by Butler; to approve funding in the amount of \$1,500 to cover the event costs.**

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

**Council member Adams** announced the Museum BBQ event on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**REPORTS**

**CITY ATTORNEY**

**Attorney Stone** noted that **Mr. Kent** brought in the surveys of Mebane and staff is reviewing those.

**Attorney Stone** said last summer the legislature passed the mobile transmitting statute and some cities decided to enact regulations that has not been addressed in our code. We will be bringing forward some examples of what other cities have done so reasonable regulations can be established.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Purvis**

Reported the completion of the REDI grant lift station repairs and his attendance at the start up today. Three city employees received hands-on training at all lift stations in the city. They were excited about the simplicity of the system.

**Wright**

- Friends of Library held the Sweetheart Tea at the library
- Reported on Builders Club activities
- Attended Swing Band concert at UHS
- Elementary School held a mock wedding featuring vowels
- Come out to the Airport Open House on Saturday

**STAFF**

**Police Chief Adam Bolton**

- Participated in Eustis Heritage Festival
- Night qualifications are taking place at the Department

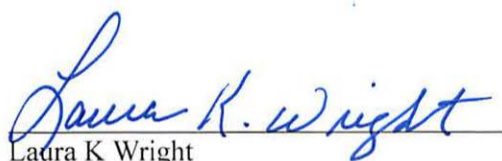
**President Wright** announced the upcoming meetings and events.

**Library Director Janet Lewis** reported the decision to open on Saturdays has been very successful. We have filled all the staff position and now have a very strong staff. The Saturday breakfast has been very successful. We are looking forward to a great year with the Summer Reading Program. The Library is open until 6 p.m. three nights a week.

**City Manager Blankenship** introduced **Regina Frazier** who comes to the city with over twenty years' experience in finance and budgeting. We are very glad to have her. She is detail oriented and highly ethical.

**President Wright** asked for Charter Review to be placed on the agenda at the next meeting

**Meeting adjourned 7:35 p.m.**



Laura K Wright  
Council President

**ATTEST:**



Karen H. Howard, CMC  
City Clerk