

MAYOR
Hal J. Rose

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Andrea Young

COUNCIL MEMBERS
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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

November 22, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rose called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

Mayor Rose's granddaughter Alison led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Hal J. Rose, Deputy Mayor Barbara A. Smith, Council Members Bill Mettrick, Pat Bentley and John "Coach" Tice.

Also present: City Manager Scott Morgan, City Attorney Morris Richardson, Deputy City Manager/Capital Projects Director Keith Mills, Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer, Maintenance Supervisor Mike DeBerry, Systems Administrator Chris Timmons, Police Chief Rick Wiley, City Clerk Sue Frank, and other members of the public.

Council Member Stephany Eley was absent.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Council Member Mettrick to approve the minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of November 1, 2016, seconded by Council Member Tice – motion carried 5-0.

5. APPROVAL OF CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS FOR NOVEMBER 8, 2016, ELECTION

Motion made by Council Member Mettrick to adopt Resolution No. 2016-21 approving the certified results from the November 8, 2016, election, seconded by Council Member Tice – motion carried 5-0.

Later during the meeting, City Clerk Frank informed Council that the certified election results had one more vote than the unofficial results for Pat Bentley, Barbara A. Smith and Stephany Eley.

6. PRESENTATION

Mayor Rose stated that the City had a plaque for Stephany Eley, thanking her for her years of service.

NEW BUSINESS

7. SWEARING IN OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

City Clerk Sue Frank performed the Oath of Office for Mayor Rose, re-elected with no opposition, re-elected City Council Members Pat Bentley and Barbara A. Smith and for newly elected Council Member Adam Gaffney.

8. ROLL CALL OF NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL

Present: Mayor Hal J. Rose, Deputy Mayor Barbara A. Smith, Council Members Bill Mettrick, Pat Bentley, John “Coach” Tice and Adam Gaffney

Also present: City Manager Scott Morgan, City Attorney Morris Richardson, Deputy City Manager/Capital Projects Director Keith Mills, Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer, Maintenance Supervisor Mike DeBerry, Systems Administrator Chris Timmons, Police Chief Rick Wiley, City Clerk Sue Frank, and other members of the public.

9. APPOINTMENT TO FILL UNEXPIRED COUNCIL MEMBER TERM

Motion made by Council Member Tice to appoint Andrea Young to fill her unexpired term for a period of two years, seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith – motion carried 6-0.

10. SWEARING IN OF APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER

City Clerk Sue Frank performed the Oath of Office for the Andrea Young who was appointed to fill her unexpired term of two years.

11. SELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Council conducted a paper ballot for selection of Deputy Mayor. Council Members Adam Gaffney and Bill Mettrick along with Deputy Mayor Smith asked that their names be removed from consideration. Votes were received as follows: four ballots for Council Member Young and three ballots for Council Member Bentley.

Motion made by Council Member Tice to select Council Member Young as Deputy Mayor, seconded by Council Member Mettrick – motion carried 7-0.

12. CITY COUNCIL CIVILITY PLEDGE

Mayor Rose read the City Council Civility Pledge and asked each Council Member to sign. The pledge would be posted in the Judge T. Mitchell Barlow Jr. Council Chamber.

Council recessed for a short social event to welcome the newly elected Council Members and reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

13. INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

Police Chief Wiley introduced Allison Tulkoff, Accreditation Manager, who started with the City on November 4, 2016 and Officers Brian Leonard and Theodore Salem who started with the City on November 18, 2016.

14. ABC INTERVIEWS

Interview of Candidates for Board of Adjustment, Code Enforcement Board and Planning & Zoning Board Appointments

Council conducted interviews for candidates for the Board of Adjustment, Code Enforcement Board and Planning and Zoning Board vacancies. Applicants included George Bosch for Code Enforcement Board, Preston Cushey, Anna Kapnola and Everett Norton for Planning and Zoning Board, and Claudia Sprague for Board of Adjustment.

15. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Annexation of Property for Grace Church (west side of Minton Road, north of Fell Road)

Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer reminded Council that the property discussed for annexation was just south of the Wesley Groves Community on Minton Road.

City Attorney Richardson read the title of Ordinance No. 2016-18 and reminded Council that this would be a quasi-judicial hearing and disclosures would need to be made.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, ANNEXING BY VOLUNTARY PETITION ONE PARCEL OF LAND TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 8.89 ACRES ON THE WEST SIDE OF MINTON ROAD AND APPROXIMATELY 2,000 FEET SOUTH OF MILWAUKEE AVENUE, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; FINDING THAT THE AREA BEING ANNEXED IS REASONABLY COMPACT AND CONTIGUOUS TO THE CITY, THAT THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY DOES NOT CREATE AN ENCLAVE, AND THAT THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY OTHERWISE COMPLIES WITH FLORIDA LAW; AMENDING THE CORPORATE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY TO PROVIDE FOR THE INCORPORATION OF THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF THE REVISED CITY BOUNDARIES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Council had no disclosures.

Mayor Rose opened the public hearing, there being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Motion made by Council Member Bentley to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2016-18, annexing the property located on the west side of Minton Road, north of Fell Road, seconded by Deputy Mayor Young – motion carried 7-0.

The Small Scale Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Rezoning for Grace Church are continued until December 20, 2016

Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer informed Council that the public hearings that were advertised for this evening for the small scale comprehensive plan map amendment and the rezoning for Grace Church would need to be postponed. The developer had made some changes and enhancements to the concept plan that accompanies the rezoning and the revised plans need to go to the Planning and Zoning Board before coming to Council for approval. She had asked for a motion to continue the public hearings on these two items until December 20, 2016.

Motion made by Council Member Mettrick to continue the cases for Grace Church's small scale comprehensive plan map amendment and rezoning to December 20, 2016, seconded by Council Member Tice – motion carried 7-0.

Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer informed Council that the two public hearings on building heights would be discussed together and separate motions would need to be made. The reason for the request was to revise the building height definition to conform to the Florida Building Code height definition. The recommendation to allow more height in certain zoning districts within a one-mile radius to the interchange areas with additional standards being imposed had been amended to include a one-mile radius of the interchange off of Palm Bay Road and a one-half mile radius off of the U.S. 192/W. New Haven Avenue interchange.

City Attorney Richardson read the titles of Ordinances 2016-19 and 2016-20.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 63 DEFINITIONS, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 63-8 ZONING DEFINITIONS, TO PROVIDE A DEFINITION FOR GRADE PLANE AND TO REVISE HEIGHT OF A BUILDING DEFINITION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-20

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 98 ZONING, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 6, R-2 (ONE-, TWO- AND MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT); DIVISION 7, R-3 (MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT); AND ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 4, (INTERCHANGE COMMERCIAL OVERLAY DISTRICT) TO INCREASE MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT WITHIN A DEFINED RADIUS OF THE I-95 INTERCHANGES BY MEETING CERTAIN CRITERIA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rose opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Building Height Code Definition Change to Match the Definition in the Statewide Florida Building Code

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Young to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2016-19, revising the zoning definition of building height in the Code of Ordinances Section 63-8, Zoning Definitions.

Revise the Maximum Building Height Limits for Multi-family and Commercial Properties near the Interchanges

Council Member Mettrick pointed out the title of Ordinance No. 2016-20 did not match the body of the Ordinance. City Attorney Richardson assured Council the title would be corrected to match the body of the Ordinance.

Motion made by Council Member Mettrick to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2016-20, revising the maximum height for multi-family and commercially zoned properties within a limited distance to the I-95 interchanges, seconded by Council Member Gaffney – motion carried 7-0.

Future Land Use Designation Change – Urban Density Residential for a Project Known as “Aventine”

Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer reminded Council the next two ordinances were in regards to the property located on Durham Drive. The developer attended the last meeting to discuss the requests.

City Attorney Richardson read the titles of Ordinances No. 2016-24 and 2016-25 and reminded Council that Ordinance 2016-25 pertaining to the rezoning was a quasi-judicial item and disclosures would need to be made.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY BY ESTABLISHING URBAN DENSITY RESIDENTIAL LAND USE ON 14.5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF DURHAM DRIVE, NORTH OF PALM BAY ROAD AND SOUTH OF SNICOLE AVENUE, AND AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATE LAND USE FOR THE PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-25

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, REZONING 14.5 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF DURHAM DRIVE, NORTH OF PALM BAY ROAD AND SOUTH OF SNICOLE AND AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN TO CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE R-3 (MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING); PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rose disclosed that he had received a phone call from the developer and that he had driven by the property.

Mayor Rose opened the public hearing, there being no speakers, the public hearing was closed.

Council discussion included opposition to approving land use changes that would add traffic to the already congested Palm Bay Road. A meeting had been scheduled between Brevard County, City of Palm Bay, City of West Melbourne and the developers of Hampton Inn, Bob Evans and Aventine Apartments to discuss the installation of a traffic signal at that location. The developers would be willing to donate for the traffic signal equipment. Council would like an update from the meeting prior to the next Council meeting.

Planning Director Fischer explained that the apartments would generate less traffic than commercial.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Young to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-24, adopting the future land use designation of "Urban Density Residential", on 14.5 acres owned by the company that developed the Haven Apartments, seconded by Council Member Tice – motion carried 7-0.

Riviera Drive Commercial LLC Rezoning Request to R-3, Multi-Family Residential

Motion made by Council Member Tice to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-25, rezoning 14.5 acres located on the east side of Durham Drive, north of Palm Bay Road to "R-3, Multiple Family Residential", seconded by Council Member Mettrick – motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2016-23, Moratorium on Low-THC Cannabis (Medical Marijuana) Dispensaries

City Attorney Richardson informed Council that the ballot amendment (Amendment 2) on medical marijuana passed with a seventy-one percent approval throughout the state.

City Attorney Richardson read the title of Ordinance No. 2016-23.

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MELBOURNE, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO CANNABIS DISPENSING FACILITIES; ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; IMPOSING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE OPENING OF ANY CANNABIS DISPENSING FACILITY; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, SEVERABILITY, REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, NON-CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rose opened the public hearing, there being no speakers the public hearing was closed.

Council discussion included wanting to know how West Melbourne voted on this amendment. City Attorney Richardson stated he would let them know. The state had not finalized the legislation pertaining to medical marijuana. The moratorium would allow the City to wait to see what guidelines the state will impose.

Motion made by Council Member Tice to adopt on second reading Ordinance No. 2016-23, providing for a temporary moratorium on the location of cannabis and low-THC cannabis dispensaries and dispensing organization facilities within the City, and on the issuance of business tax receipts, development orders or permits for such facilities within the City, for a period of 180 days, seconded by Deputy Mayor Young – motion carried 7-0.

16. PUBLIC FORUM

There were no speakers.

17. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Young to approve the following consent agenda items, seconded by Mayor Rose – motion carried 7-0.

- Receive the Annual ABC (Authorities, Boards & Committees) Report.
- Authorize the City Manager to execute the professional engineering Task Order 1 with Infrastructure Solution Services for the Wood Haven Manor Drainage Project in the not-to-exceed amount of \$25,180.

18. ACTION AGENDA

Re-Plat of Coastal Commerce's (Commercial Shopping Center) Tract H

Planning and Economic Development Director Christy Fischer explained that the parcel of land on the east side of Coastal Commerce which contains Goodwill has requested a replat to break the property into three parcels instead of one.

City Attorney Richardson reminded Council that this would be a quasi-judicial discussion and disclosures would need to be made.

Council had no disclosures.

Council discussion included a possible user for one of the revised parcels would be a Holiday Inn. The current Holiday Inn at the intersection of Coastal Commerce and U.S. 192/W. New Haven Avenue would probably be rebranded into another hotel name. The replatting of the parcel would not change the traffic signal. The property on the west side of Coastal Commerce could allow a big box store.

Motion made by Council Member Mettrick to approve the re-plat of the subdivision known as Coastal Commerce Center, specifically Tract H into Tracts H-1, H-2 and H-3, with conditions, seconded by Deputy Mayor Young – motion carried 7-0.

City Council Appointments to Various Board and Committees

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Young to approve the following Council appointments to the various boards, seconded by Council Member Mettrick – motion carried 7-0:

- Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization Board of Directors (MPO) – Council Member Smith with Mayor Rose as the alternate;
- MPO Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) – City Manager Scott Morgan (TAC) with Planning & Economic Development Director Christy Fischer as the alternate, and Sandra Michelson – CAC;
- Brevard County Water Supply Board – Council Member Gaffney with Council Member Smith as the alternate;
- Space Coast League of Cities – Council Member Bentley with Council Member Tice as the alternate;
- Space Coast Economic Development Commission – Council Member Tice with Deputy Mayor Young as the alternate;
- Melbourne Airport Authority Liaison – Mayor Rose;
- Melbourne Regional Chamber of East Central Florida, Inc. – Council Member Tice;
- Greater Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce – Mayor Rose with Council Member Tice as the alternate;
- Brevard County Fire Department Liaison – Mayor Rose;

- Greater West Melbourne Athletic Association Liaison – Council Member Tice;
- Beautification Committee Liaison – Council Member Young with Mayor Rose as the alternate;
- Board of Adjustment Liaison – Mayor Rose with Council Member Young as the alternate;
- Business Advisory Board Liaison – Council Member Young with Council Member Gaffney as the alternate;
- Citizens Action Committee – Council Member Gaffney with Deputy Mayor Smith as the alternate;
- Code Enforcement Board – Council Member Smith with Council Member Gaffney as the alternate;
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Liaison – Council Member Smith with Council Member Gaffney as the alternate;
- Planning and Zoning Board Liaison – Council Member Mettrick with Mayor Rose as the alternate.

Council discussion on the appointments and reappointments to the various volunteer boards included wanting to hold off until the next meeting when new appointments and reappointments could be made at the same time. Council would also like a better and fairer process for making appointments and reappointments to the various boards. The Council liaison for the various boards should give input when discussing the reappointments.

Planning and Economic Development Director Fischer informed Council that the Board of Adjustment had only met twice each year for the last two years. She would not like to have alternates to the Planning and Zoning Board. Her staff provides packets to each member individually and would not like to impose more work on them.

Motion made by Council Member Tice to continue the reappointments for the various City volunteer boards until the next City Council meeting on December 6, 2016, seconded by Council Member Mettrick –

Additional discussion included members who would like to be reappointed should either attend the next meeting, or submit something in writing, to let Council know why they would like to be reappointed.

Motion amended by Council Member Tice to include members up for reappointment should attend the next meeting or submit in writing the reason why they want to be reappointed. Council Member Mettrick agreed with the amended motion – motion carried 7-0.

Annual Board of Adjustment Appointments/Reappointments

The reappointment of three members to the Board of Adjustment for a two-year term expiring November 2018 was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Annual Business Advisory Board Appointments/Reappointments

The reappointment of all current Business Advisory Board members, for a one-year term expiring November 2017 with the exception of Adam Gaffney and Bernard Letzinger who are no longer eligible to serve was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Annual Citizens Action Committee Appointments/Reappointments

The discussion on the Citizens Action Committee member reappointments, disbanding the committee, or merging with the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Annual Code Enforcement Board Appointments/Reappointments

The reappointment of three members to the Code Enforcement Board for a three-year term expiring November 2019 was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Appointment

The appointment to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for a one-year term expiring November 2017 was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Annual Planning and Zoning Board Appointments/Reappointments

The reappointment of three members to the Planning and Zoning Board for a two-year term expiring November 2018 was continued until the December 6, 2016 City Council meeting.

Council Member Tice would like the City Council to consider sunsetting the Citizens Action Committee. Upon the election of Council Member Gaffney to the City Council, and the possible appointment of George Bosch to the Code Enforcement Board the Committee would be down to three members. Two of the remaining three members are also serving on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

City Attorney Richardson stated the Citizens Action Committee was formed by Resolution and would need to be sunsetted the same way.

Motion made by Council Member Tice to ask City Attorney Richardson to bring to the next City Council meeting on December 6, 2016 a Resolution to sunset the Citizens Action Committee, seconded by Council Member Mettrick – motion carried 7-0.

Proposed Land Acquisition for the West Melbourne Police Athletic League

Police Chief Rick Wiley addressed Council and discussed a proposed land acquisition for PAL. They previously used a building that was at the West Melbourne Community Park before it was torn down for Field of Dreams. PAL currently use a room at Calvary Chapel for their meetings. The purchase of property was not budgeted, but the parcel in question would be a great opportunity for both the City and PAL.

Leslee Brimer, PAL Coordinator, informed Council that at a recent Youth Directors Council meeting it was discussed that PAL has no place that they could consider their own. At the proposed location, PAL would be able to do tutoring and a fitness program, which they had received a grant for. A grant for a mentoring program had been applied for and they were still waiting to hear if they received it. Weekend activities could also be held at the proposed location as well as summer programs. One of the rooms could be converted into a computer lab and a community garden could be started on the property.

Council discussion included excitement with the PAL program. The Police Department had become a part of PAL with several officers volunteering their time to help. This would be a very good location for them.

Dana Carper with Waterman Realty informed Council that the owners had received two offers in the last month for less than \$300,000 and the owners turned both offers down.

Additional Council discussion included that the property would be maintained by the Parks Department. Insurance was discussed as to whether or not it would be covered under the City's policy or if a long-term lease would be signed with PAL and they would have to provide the insurance. PAL is a non-profit organization and the City was tax exempt for property taxes. Should an offer be worked out and accepted, the payment would come out of the General Fund Reserves. The City could annex the property into the City limits, provide water and sewer to the location and renovate the building and an estimated cost for those items would need to be provided. The City would need to start looking at a long-term vision on how they want the property to be developed and should start budgeting now for future growth and improvements. The property could have two possible uses: 1) location for PAL; 2) integrate into the existing park.

There was approximately one acre on the Field of Dreams the City could look at for PAL. A building would need to be constructed on this property instead of renovating a current residence.

Motion made by Council Member Smith to authorize the City Manager to negotiate the purchase of 3125 Fell Road, West Melbourne, Florida, for the use of a PAL facility, seconded by Council Member Tice –

Additional Council discussion included wanting to make sure a good plan was in place prior to occupancy that included video cameras and a security system.

Motion carried 7-0.

19. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Council Member John "Coach" Tice reported that he had emceed the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Veterans Memorial Complex where Judge Majeed was the speaker. He also sat in the dunk tank during Heritage Day.

Deputy Mayor Andrea Young thanked Council for reappointing her to fill her unexpired term. She also thanked them for electing her to be Deputy Mayor for the next year.

Council Member Bill Mettrick welcomed Council Member Gaffney and congratulated Council Members Bentley and Smith on their re-elections and Deputy Mayor Young. The election was over and the country needed to come together. There were always opportunities to serve, even if not elected.

Council Member Pat Bentley thanked everyone for their support during the election. The property discussed for PAL was a good location and offers the opportunity to do something great for the kids.

Council Member Adam Gaffney thanked the citizens for their support during the election and thanked Deputy Chief Swartzfager for sitting in the dunk tank during Heritage Day.

Council Member Barbara A. Smith was thankful for the Council Members. She also had concern for police officers. She would like to have a two man patrol in the cars and realized that would cost more money. The election was over and the country needed law and order. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Hal J. Rose stated his goal would be for the Council to work together. He would like Council to have a strategic plan and to remember that they are the policy makers. He had received some complaints about political signs being tied to the flagpole at the Veterans Memorial Complex and some signs displaying the American flag that were not illuminated at night. He had attended the Greater Palm Bay Chamber business luncheon, Melbourne Regional Chamber business breakfast, the WMBA luncheon, the CivMil meeting and ribbon cuttings for New York Pizza and a neuropsychologist's new office. The school board would be hosting a meeting, possibly mid-December, to discuss a new school at Sawgrass Lakes and a redrawing of the school boundaries.

Council Member Tice stated that School Board Chairman Andy Ziegler had always stated that there would not be a public school at Sawgrass Lakes. He also asked about flags having to be illuminated at night.

City Attorney Richardson stated it was not illegal to not have a flag illuminated at night, but as a sign of respect, it should be.

City Attorney Richardson also stated the total number of ballots cast in West Melbourne during the November 8, 2016 election was 11,622 with 7,097 having voted yes on Amendment 2.

Police Chief Rick Wiley thanked Council for the opportunity to negotiate the purchase of the property on Fell Road.

Mayor Rose invited everyone to attend the Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Friday, December 2, 2016.

20. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Rose adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

Hal Rose

Hal J. Rose, Mayor

Sue Frank

Sue Frank, City Clerk

