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CITY OF COCOA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

June 14, 2016

A Regular meeting of the Cocoa City Council was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, in City Council Chambers, located in Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone Street, Cocoa, Florida as publicly noticed.

I. OPENING MATTERS:

Mayor Parrish called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Councilman Blake requested a moment of silence for the tragedy in Orlando and then provided the invocation. Mayor Parrish led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The City Clerk took the roll.

PRESENT:	Henry U. Parrish III	Mayor
	Don Boisvert	Deputy Mayor
	Michael Blake	Councilman
	Brenda Warner	Councilwoman
	Anthony Garganese	City Attorney
	John Titkanich, Jr.	City Manager
	Matt Fuhrer	Assistant City Manager
	Carie Shealy	City Clerk
ABSENT:	Tyler Furbish	Councilman

OTHER STAFF PRESENT:

Jack Walsh, Utilities Director; Tammy Gemmati, Administrative Services Director; Steve Belden, Community Services Director; Jessica Dovale, Acting Finance Director; Ed Wegerif, Public Works Director; Michael Cantaloupe, Chief of Police; Gene Prince, Fire Chief; Jonathan Lamm, Deputy Fire Chief; Chris Perry, Desktop Support Technician; and Jason McCuen, Desktop Support Technician.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES:

1. Agenda: Regular Meeting of June 14, 2016 (16-237)
2. Minutes: (a)Regular Meeting of May 10, 2016 (16-219)
   (b)Special City Council Meeting of May 17, 2016 (16-235)
   (c)Regular City Council Meeting of May 24, 2016 (16-236)

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the Agenda for the Regular meeting of June 14, 2016 as presented and the Minutes for the Regular meeting of May 10, 2016; Special City Council meeting (Paving Analysis) on May 17, 2016; and the Regular City Council meeting of May 24,2 016 as written.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

III. AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Legislative Update provided by Jerry Sansom. (16-242).

Mr. Jerry Sansom, the City's Legislative Advisor, provided a report on the legislative session and the successes that the city had.

He spoke in detail about various issues such as the communication services tax, the vacation rental bill, public records request bill, utility relocation, rights of way, and use of lands, firefighter cancer disability presumption, and the issue for standardizing municipal election dates.

Mr. Sansom further spoke about the successes and failures with the budget, noting that both the parking structure and EOC were vetoed early before the Governor even received his budget. He believed that the Governor waned to use funding to work on economic development projects. Mr. Sansom mentioned that no one convinced the Governor to change anything in the budget because nothing was changed.

Cocoa did benefit by receiving the Porcher House roofing grant, along with other grant programs that were funded. He stressed the importance of applying for grants because they typically get funded.

There was FDOT money approved for repaving of the Tucker Lane to SR 520 area, and funds were approved for the derelict vessel program through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission. Discussion was held on the FWC grants.

The Indian River Lagoon was discussed and he advised that $21 million was allocated for it. Over $5 million was allocated for muck removal and lagoon improvements. Mr. Sansom emphasized that a lot of this was due to having Steve Crisafulli as Speaker and his influence from being from this area.

Mr. Sansom further spoke about possible redistricting and felt that Cocoa would be fine in a new district.

He mentioned that it was always a pleasure representing the City.

Mayor Parrish asked about the timeframe of Cocoa's list for this upcoming year. In response, Mr. Sansom stated that it needed to be started now. It would be presented at the end of November or first of December, because of the election.

Councilman Blake mentioned that he had seen Mr. Sansom at the Space Coast League of Cities meeting and asked Mr. Sansom to expound on the future of the space program. In response to his request, Mr. Sansom noted that he did not remember an exact number, but assured Council that there were a lot of launches expected and that the aerospace industry was doing just fine.

Mayor Parrish spoke about the Indian River Lagoon Summit that he attended, along with Councilman Blake. Mr. Sansom believed that it was a very spirited event. He thanked Cocoa for their efforts so far in regards to the lagoon.

Mayor Parrish agreed that it was a great event and that he knows that this area was the worst as far as the muck, and it was the hardest thing to get permits for. Mr. Sansom stated that the legislature gave the county money, so Cocoa needs to work with Commissioner Barfield on the issue.

Mayor Parrish wanted to make sure that the City was on the list for dredging. Mr. Sansom pointed out that the County makes that call.

All Council thanked Mr. Sansom for coming and Mr. Sansom reminded them all of the FIND event on Saturday morning. He believed that Cocoa's projects would not have any problems.

IV. DELEGATIONS:

Dorothy Hall, 1040 W. Peachtree Street, Cocoa, spoke about her appreciation of the work being done on Peachtree Street. She presented Mr. Wegerif with a certificate of appreciation for all of his efforts on the project. Mr. Wegerif thanked her and accepted the certificate, noting that none of it would have been possible without his staff and the contractors.

Joann Corby, Melbourne, advised that she was back to speak about her late husband's pension. She shared information which was related to all of the pensions. She pointed out that her situation was specific to the fire pension. Ms. Corby reminded Council that in April, she spoke to them at a meeting and told them that this City was leaps and bounds ahead of other cities due to the passing and implementation of the death provision in 2000.

She mentioned that it was her sincere hope that the pension board does not make the same mistake that they made with her family with other families. She believed the only question that should be asked when an employee dies is "Was the employee eligible to retire?" It should not matter if they die on duty or off duty. In addition, she referenced the payment information provided to the chairman of the pension board and pointed out that those payments had nothing to do with the pension plan. She further stated information provided by the chairman was false, such as that she was trying to buy life insurance after the fact and that she was provided a list of options and she chose the option she was receiving. She noted if it were true, then where was that letter outlining the choices that a surviving spouse has. It does not exist. She asked Council to consider the following, that the "lack of action that the pension board and City Council has taken has changed the life of their family and it is grotesque."

Mayor Parrish advised that this was beyond Council's prevue and referred to the City Manager and City Attorney. City Attorney Garganese had no comment Ms. Corby noted that all copies that have been given to the City Manager have been ignored and that she has never received a phone call from him. Mayor Parrish pointed out to Ms. Corby that her time was up and he had to uphold the rules.

City Manager Titkanich explained the responsibilities of both the City and the pension fund. He reiterated that in fairness to the pension board, this matter had been litigated in the courts and the pension board's decision was upheld. The City provided the benefits that she was entitled to outside of the pension. It

would be inappropriate for the pension board to authorize a different payment when there was a court order in place.

He further noted that he did not recall a meeting where they stated that they would meet. He apologized to Ms. Corby and stated he did not have a different answer. She was asking for Council to appropriate money after the pension was paid.

In response, Ms. Corby told him to not avoid the problem, because the board never implemented the death provision. She stated that Council was being fed a line of crap. City Manager Titkanich reiterated that the courts have ruled on this.

Melissa Martin, 5404 Brilliance Circle, Cocoa, dovetailed off Mr. Sansom's update about the Indian River Lagoon and pointed out that she was recently appointed to serve on the board for the lagoon. She would be making a presentation in the future to the Council in regards to the board. She noted the initial reason for attending the meetings was due to the anti-corruption group that she represents. She provided a quick background and reminded Council and staff that she had requested that a resolution be drafted in regards to this. She was wondering the status of the resolution.

Mayor Parrish assured her that it was being worked on by the City Attorney and he was close to being done. She asked that it be prioritized for approval at an upcoming meeting. Councilwoman Warner mentioned that she would be gone most of July and requested that it be brought back at the last meeting in July because she would like to be in attendance.

City Attorney Garganese advised he had been working on it but had not even shared it with the City Manager. In fairness, he needs to share it with him. City Attorney Garganese explained that there have been a lot of actions items lately and they have been busy.

Ms. Martin agreed and understood. City Manager Titkanich concurred with the City Attorney noting there were many issues going on right now that were time consuming and other things take priority.

V. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve the revision of the City's Pay Plan to change the pay grade of the Utilities Director position. (16-241). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the Consent agenda.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

VI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance No. 08-2016/2nd reading: Amending the Future Land Use Map Designation of one (1) parcel from "Medium Density Residential" to "Neighborhood Commercial." (16-232). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 08-2016 into the record, by title only, as follows. He advised that this was the second and final reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 08-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FOR ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF COCOA CONSISTING OF 0.94 TOTAL ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED AT 820 ROSA L. JONES DRIVE IN COCOA, FLORIDA, SAID PARCEL BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DEPICTED AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP DESIGNATION ON THE PARCEL FROM "MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL" TO "NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL"; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; INCORPORATION INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND LEGAL STATUS OF THE PLAN AMENDMENT. THE BREVARD COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE IDENTIFIES THE PARCEL AS PARCEL ID 24-36-32-00-00778.0-0000.00.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve Ordinance No. 08-2016 on second and final reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

2. Ordinance No. 09-2016/2nd reading: Amending the Zoning of subject parcel from RU-1-7 Residential to PS (Professional, Offices, and Services). (16-233). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No. 09-2016 into the record, by title only, as follows. He advised that this was the second and final reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 09-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING MAP DESIGNATION OF ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 0.94 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AND LOCATED AT 820 ROSA L. JONES DRIVE IN COCOA, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT "A", ATTACHED HERETO, FROM RU-1-7 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO P-S (PROFESSIONAL, OFFICES AND SERVICES); PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. THE BREVARD COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE IDENTIFIES THE PARCEL AS PARCEL ID 24-36-32-00-00778.0-0000.00.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve Ordinance No. 09-2016 on second and final reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

3. Ordinance No. 10-2016/2nd reading: Amending Appendix A, Article XI, Section 22 of the City Code to allow single story commercial buildings on certain properties within the Cocoa Waterfront Overlay District, Cocoa Village (CV) sub district. (16-234). (Community Services Director)

Attorney Garganese read Ordinance No.10-2016 into the record, by title only, as follows. He advised that this was the second and final reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 - 2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COCOA, BREVARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING APPENDIX A, ARTICLE XI, SECTION 22 OF THE CITY CODE TO ALLOW SINGLE STORY COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS ON CERTAIN PROPERTIES WITHIN THE COCOA WATERFRONT OVERLAY DISTRICT, COCOA VILLAGE (CV) SUBDISTRICT, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DEPICTED ON EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO; AMENDING THE COCOA WATERFRONT OVERLAY REGULATING PLAN; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF PRIOR INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Parrish opened the hearing to the public. There being no response, the public portion of the hearing was closed.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve Ordinance No. 10-2016 on second and final reading.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

VII. COUNCIL BUSINESS:

1. Consider the Reappointment of Jan Stewart as a Regular member of the Cocoa Redevelopment Agency through April, 2020. (16-220). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the reappointment Jan Stewart as a Regular member of the Cocoa Redevelopment Agency through April, 2020.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

2. Consider the Reappointment of Jane Jollay as a Regular member of the Board of Adjustment through May, 2019. (16-221). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve the Reappointment of Jane Jollay as a Regular member of the Board of Adjustment through May, 2019.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

3. Approve a Resolution encouraging the Great Floridian Committee, the Florida Legislature, and the Governor, to select Harry T. Moore to represent the State of Florida in the United States National Statuary Hall Connection in the United States Capital. (16-226). (Administrative Services Director)

Councilman Blake advised that recently the Governor had noted that two statues had been removed from the capital building and that they would be replacing them with two new ones. Cities throughout Florida are nominating Harry T. Moore to be one of the statues chosen. Titusville recently adopted a resolution.

Harry T. Moore was a dynamic leader throughout the State of Florida and Councilman Blake felt that he should be recognized at the nation's capital. He believed that Mr. Moore was the grandfather of civil rights.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

Councilwoman Warner hoped that this would bring visitors to the City to visit the Moore museum.

4. Approve a Resolution Supporting the Initiative of the Space Coast and Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities 'Indian River Lagoon Regional Compact; One Lagoon-One Community-One Voice'. (16-227). (Administrative Services Director)

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

5. Approve the Cancellation of the Regular City Council meetings of November 22nd and December 27th due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. (16-240). (Administrative Services Director)

Ms. Gemmati advised that this item was requested by Deputy Mayor Boisvert. She pointed out that there could be a special meeting if needed.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

VIII. CITY BUSINESS:

1. Authorize the City Manager to negotiate and sign a revised three-year contract with CareATC and future renewal terms. Authorize staff to work with the City Attorney and Gehring Group to negotiate terms of an Interlocal Agreement with other local governments for the sharing of the health center facility. (16-212). (Administrative Services Director)

Ms. Gemmati advised that an interlocal agreement was being prepared and would be brought back to Council due to other local government agencies expressing interest in the use of CareATC.

Deputy Mayor Boisvert advised that the school board was looking into this. City Manager Titkanich pointed out that they were not looking at partnering with the City, but other municipalities were. The school board was looking into something different.

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

There could possibly be four interlocal agreements coming back to Council.

Councilman Blake mentioned that at a recent FMIT meeting, the discussion of clinics was held and Cocoa was used as an example.

2. Approve Twenty (20) Additional Full-time employees and unfreeze one (1) position for FY 2017, pending approval of the FY 2017 Budget. (16-218). (Utilities Director)

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

3. Approve a Resolution waiving the competitive bidding process for the purpose of making a Sole Source purchase of TEAM Resilient Wedge InsertValve Installation Equipment from TEAM Industrial Services, Inc., N. Augusta, NC; To approve a Resolution adjusting the FY 2016 Budget. (16-222). (Utilities Director)

Mr. Walsh presented the item, reminding Council that this had already been purchased. He explained the cost savings and process of which the equipment worked and believed the equipment was a huge blessing to the city.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UANIMOUSLY (4-0)

4. Approve a Resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a Community Aesthetic Feature (CAF) Agreement and other required documents with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the placement of "COCOA" letters on the SR 520 bridges over the Indian River. (16-223). (Public Works Director)

Mr. Wegerif explained that this item came about due to the recent work being done on the SR 520 bridge. He asked FDOT if it would be possible to paint "COCOA" on the bridge so that boaters would see the sign as the passed by the bridge. FDOT was accommodating and the resolution before them was required. In addition, $1,000 deposit for maintenance would have to be done.

Mr. Wegerif stressed that they were still waiting on final approvals, but believed this would be great if it is approved. He stated he was shocked that FDOT was in agreement.

Mayor Parrish and Council felt that this was great.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilwoman Warner, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

5. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Contract for Purchase and authorize a budget resolution amending the FY 2016 Budget using General Fund Contingency for purchase of a vacant lot on Lakemont Drive, Parcel ID: 24-36-29-BW-00000.0-0230.00. (16-224). (Public Works Director)

Mr. Wegerif advised that the title should reflect "Stormwater Fund" and advised that this was a vacant lot on South Lakemont Drive. Purchasing this would give the city access to a portion of Horseshoe Lake. Maintenance to this area would reduce the potential for flooding and increase the overall appearance of the community.

* **MOTION by Councilwoman Warner; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

MULTI-YEAR CONTRACTS:

6. To award Bid No. B-16-14-COC, Lift Station No. 4 Improvements, Project No. WSLS04, to L7 Construction Inc., Sanford, Florida for Construction of the Lift Station No. 4 Improvements Project; to Approve as a Multi-Year Contract from FY2016 through FY2017 pending approval of the FY2017 budget; To Approve a Resolution amending the FY2016 budget; to Approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to approve change orders in an amount not-to-exceed $56,170 (10% contingency); and to Authorize the City Manager to execute the contract. (16-225). (Utilities Director)

* **MOTION by Councilman Blake; Seconded by Deputy Mayor Boisvert, to approve the item.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner
THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

IX. INFORMATIONAL AGENDA:

1. New Local Business Tax Receipts. (16-231). (Community Services Director)

2. Councilman Michael C. Blake's resignation letter effective November 1, 2016. (16-244). (City Clerk)

X. REPORTS:

Mr. Wegerif invited all Council to the Peachtree Street Grand Opening which would be on Friday, July 8th at 11:30 a.m. Ms. Senger will be sending out invitations and Councilman Blake requested that Ms. Hall be invited.

Councilwoman Warner advised that she would be out the whole month of July.

Mr. Wegerif further noted that the Waste Management recycling carts have arrived and were being assembled. They would start deploying them this week. They would be done by a contractor of Waste Management and the first part of July would be the initial pickups.

Lastly, Mr. Wegerif spoke about St. Johns River Water Management and grant funding that was received for two projects. He explained the projects in detail.

Mayor Parrish inquired on the status of US1. In response, Mr. Wegerif noted that they had started planting of greenery, reclaimed water has been installed, and they were still aiming for July. He also noted that the permit was issued for the welcome signs and those will be installed when they were ready.

Chief Cantaloupe reminded everyone of the upcoming Juneteeth event which would be on Saturday, June 18th from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Chief Prince thanked everyone who attended the Fire Department award ceremony last Thursday night.

Councilman Blake mentioned that it was nice to see all of the families there.

Mayor Parrish added that many firefighters came up and stated that they had never worked for anyone like Chief Prince and that he was a true leader.
In response, Chief Prince stated that they do all of the work and he truly appreciates all of them.

Mr. Walsh spoke in regards to the recent negative publicity of the water system. He read a prepared statement into the record as follows:

Cocoa Water Statement

"The Cocoa customers are being notified in their water bills of a recent violation of water quality standards that occurred. Your water was and is safe to drink. You have a right to know and thus the notification that was sent out per the FDEP guidelines. The violation was for an exceedance of 3 parts per billion over the limit of 80ppb LTRAA in 1 of 12 sites tested for trihalomethanes, a disinfection by-product that is created when using chlorine to disinfect the water.

The city's most recent test at the same location was 35ppb, well under the maximum of 80 ppb. City staff is continuing to monitor the testing results, making recommended changes to improve our water quality and lower our TTHM's, and adding additional equipment as necessary to assist in the operations of the plant. The City of Cocoa staff is committed to maintaining a high level of water quality that meets or exceeds all federal and state water quality standards as well as producing potable water that tastes great."

Mr. Walsh advised that Cocoa's Water Quality committee has been meeting since Oct 2015

He mentioned that recommended changes, testing, and other protocols are always dealt with. In addition, there have been improved sampling systems installed in the distribution system.

Further discussion was held on the water system and Mr. Walsh advised that he would be happy to answer questions if customers wanted more in depth information. He apologized to tax payers who rely on the City's expertise and the problem has been corrected.

Mayor Parrish asked if this was going to be on ongoing problem. In addition, he felt that the articles in Florida Today were irresponsible and that started a firestorm. He reassured Mr. Walsh and staff the he was aware that they were doing what they could to keep the systems going.

Mr. Walsh further stated that there were many things that could affect the outcome of the water. All things involving chemicals come in to play with this. He does not want to spend money if it was not needed and believed there was

enough flexibility in their processes to fix the problems. He believed they can manage it.

Councilman Blake asked Mr. Walsh if he believed in Cocoa water. In response, Mr. Walsh answered in the affirmative. Councilman Blake asked if the City had ever had other problems, been fined, etc. Councilman Blake stated he would base his livelihood on the work being done and believed in Mr. Walsh and his staff.

Mayor Parrish agreed with Councilman Blake and believed we had the best system.

Ms. Gemmati announced the upcoming employee health fair on Wednesday, June 22, 2016. The blood mobile will also be parked in front of City Hall in the municipal parking lot from 8 am until 1 pm. She is hoping that with the recent tragedy the turnout would be good. Appointments for the blood drive will be encouraged through social media.

In a question posed to Assistant City Manager Fuhrer about boats by Mayor Parrish, he advised that he would be following up with Mr. Sansom regarding funding for removal of derelict vessels.

City Manager Titkanich announced that Cocoa Rotaract will be hosting a Vigil for the Orlando tragedy on Thursday, June 16th in Riverfront Park. There will be another event hosted by Space Coast Pride on Friday in Eau Gallie. There were no further details on that event.

He assured Council that he followed up on the articles published regarding the water. He, along with Don Downs, Samantha Senger, and other pertinent staff met with Florida Today staff. They expressed their concerns and let them know that they wanted to maintain ongoing communications and dialogue. A tour of the Dyal Plant has been scheduled with a reporter so that they can see the city's processes. They wanted to make sure that they stay current in the City's issue and that information being reported was correct.

City Manager Titkanich advised that both he and the Assistant City Manager had met with All Aboard Florida and that they were in the process of constructing stations in West Palm Beach, Miami, etc. Phase One would open June 2017, and Phase 2 they would be extending services to Orlando International Airport.

There is an upcoming meeting regarding crossings and they wanted to make sure comments were received from the City.

He advised Council that he had been asked to serve on the board for the United Way of Brevard. Meetings would be on Thursday so they would not interfere with Council meetings. All Council members agreed that it would be great for him to be on that board.

City Manager Titkanich advised that an email went out from Florida League of Cities regarding committees for 2016-2017. If anyone was interested they could go on line and complete the form. Choices have to be ranked 1-5. He did verify that both an elected and appointed official from each city could serve on the same committee.

He spoke about the Employee Appreciation Event and he thanked all Council and employees who attended the Brevard County Manatees game.

In closing, he reminded everyone that Juneteenth was this weekend and that the Assistant City Manager would be attending on his behalf at that event and the FIND event. Mr. Belden would also be attending the FIND event and Ms. McGrady would be presenting for Cocoa.

Councilman Blake also reminded all in attendance about the Juneteenth event, noting it was from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and that if anyone needed further information they could contact 321-652-5477.

He spoke of his attendance at the wedding of John and Rudeen Jackson, and of his attendance at the 25th Annual Freedom Fund Banquet. Judge Belvin Perry was the keynote speaker and Cocoa was awarded one of three Unsung Hero Awards. Ms. Delores McGlaughin and Dr. Stephanie Soliven were awarded the other two. He stated it was a terrific event.

He reiterated Mr. Sansom's comments about getting Cocoa's priorities in order and he wanted to make sure that Cocoa's were submitted in the correct order.

Councilman Blake announced that the next Space Coast Honor Flight would be taking a group of veterans on June 25th, and leaving at 3 a.m.

He mentioned to the Clerk that a power point on the Indian River Lagoon would be submitted from the Summit that he recently attended.

He also advised that at a recent FMIT meeting they spoke about a Supreme Court ruling on the way that Workers Compensation matters were handled. They pointed out that things were changing.

In conclusion, he asked all to pray for Orlando and those directly affected by the tragedy. He reminded all to buy local, spend local, and keep it local.

Councilman Warner appreciated the opportunity to attend the Freedom Fund Banquet and stated that Belvin Perry provided a great message.

She further noted that with the exception of Joe Lee Smith, Cocoa was the only city represented at the banquet. She finds it bothersome that other cities do not represent. She issued a challenge to Titusville, Melbourne, and Palm Bay to have representation there next year. County Commissioners were also not attendance; however, Sheriff Ivey was represented. She thanked everyone again for a great event.

Councilwoman Warner thanked Mr. Walsh for the clarification on the water issues, and reminded all that school was out and streets were full of children. She asked everyone to be careful.

Lastly, she noted that she had a really hard time with what has happened in Orlando, knowing many who both live and work in Orlando. She asked that everyone, not just victims, be kept in thoughts and prayers. Our Mayor had let Mayor Dyer know that we were here if they needed anything.

She reminded all to buy local and keep it local and reminded all how fortunate Cocoa was to have both Ace Hardware, Tractor Supply, and Travis Hardware all in one city.

Deputy Mayor Boisvert spoke about his attendance at the BBQ & Blues event and noted it was a good turnout. He reminded everyone about his District 3 Town Hall Meeting on June 21st at 6 p.m. at the Lost Lakes Clubhouse.

Mayor Parrish wished everyone a Happy Flag Day.

He pointed out that the City was getting ready for the July 4th event and believed that the baseball game was a great way to spend time with friends and employees. He hoped that the baseball team would get to stay in the county.

Mayor Parrish advised that he wished to attend the Florida League of Cities Conference, and that he would be speaking at a breakfast hosted by Celebration Tabernacle.

He spoke about the upcoming FIND meeting, Juneteenth, Lost Lakes District 3 meeting, and expressed his excitement for the "COCOA" signs on the bridge. He really hoped that project would go through.

Mayor Parrish voiced his frustration about the negative things being said about Cocoa on social media. He did not appreciate those who do not live in the city who try to label the city. He stated that it was not going to continue happen and those citizens should not expect that Cocoa was going to let it happen. He takes this information very seriously and all members of Council were passionate about the City. He believes that Cocoa has the smartest and most stable Council.

He mentioned the horrible situation that had occurred in Orlando and reiterated that he had reached out to Mayor Dyer.

In closing, he mentioned the Memorial Day parade and service and thought everyone gave great speeches.

He asked everyone to keep Councilman Furbish in their prayers.

In closing, he announced that Councilman Michael C. Blake had issued a letter to himself and City staff noting his resignation from his seat as Councilman for District 1, effective November 1, 2016. He is resigning in order to run for the District 51 House seat.

Mayor Parrish pointed out that there has not been a house member from Cocoa for about seventy years.

Councilman Blake advised that he has enjoyed every second of his term as Councilman and would be staying until November 1st. He thanked the Mayor and noted that all members and Council and staff were great.

Mayor Parrish advised they would wait until Councilman Furbish returned to make a decision about his seat at a future meeting. It was clarified that it would not be until November and they had up to two council meetings after his effective date to make a decision.

XI. ADJOURNMENT.

* **MOTION by Deputy Mayor Boisvert; Seconded by Councilman Blake, to adjourn the Regular meeting of June 14, 2016.**

AYES: Parrish, Boisvert, Blake, Warner

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (4-0)

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Henry U. Parrish III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carie Shealy, City Clerk