

**Town of Pomona Park – Final Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 21, 2020 (5:30 pm) This meeting was held at Town Hall for Council only and for Public VIA TELECONFERENCE. Call 1-888-204-5987 Access Code is 3674654#**

Mayor Joseph Svingala presided. Council present were Dr. Robert Warren, Lynda Linkswiler, CarrieAnn Evans, Patricia Mead, James Griffin, and Victor Szatkowski were all present. Attorney Sherar, Clerk Donna Fontana and Treasurer Kelly Krupski were present.

Mayor Joseph Svingala led in the pledge to the flag. Meeting started at 5:48pm due to technical difficulties.

The Mayor asked all council members if they were comfortable with all the notice provisions set forth and these uniform rules of procedures we have established for this virtual meeting? The Mayor took a roll call and it was unanimous that all council approved.

**Public Hearing items:**

**Clerk read Ordinance 2020-6 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF POMONA PARK, FLORIDA, IN PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE LEVYING OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR POMONA PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Councilwoman Evans made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-6, seconded by Councilman Griffin and Warren. There was no discussion. Mayor took roll call vote.

	YEAS	NAYS	ABSENT OR NOT VOTING
<b>PASSED ON FINAL READING:</b>	<u>7</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

Councilman Szatkowski Yay, Councilman Griffin Yay, Councilwoman Mead Yay, Council woman Evans Yay, Councilwoman Linkswiler Yay, Councilman Warren Yay, Mayor Yay. Unanimous vote to approve Ordinance 2020-6 final reading.

**Clerk read Ordinance 2020-7 AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF POMONA PARK, FLORIDA, IN PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR POMONA PARK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021.**

Councilwoman Evans made a Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-7, seconded by Councilman Warren. Mayor said, I'm uncomfortable with 3 things. One, I'm uncomfortable we didn't put any money in there on any line item whatsoever that could possibly be a raise for somebody who earned it. I know it was stated that we don't need it, but last year it was stated that we needed it so I'm not comfortable which way its supposed to be. We didn't put money in for. Councilwoman Evans said, we put money in for all of them for .50 an hour raise. Mayor said, zoning, not zoning, code? Clerk said yes we did. Mayor said, and I thought Bruce was going to come and discuss this. I'll just throw it out, we can always amend this during the year if need be.

Bruce has shown an interest in having a part time maintenance guy year round and it would be 24 hours, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. My understanding that we can amend if we're going to do that, if it comes to that, that we can amend the budget at that time. Is that correct? Clerk said, yes, the budget can be amended. Councilwoman Evans said, did we not have this discussion 2 months ago? I asked them if they needed a part time person? Clerk said, yes, and Bruce said no he did not need it. That's why you all didn't discuss it any further. He said it again in our office, right here when you (Mayor) asked him about it he said it again. Councilwoman Evans said because if you are mowing more land, I asked. Mayor said, because of the income. Councilwoman Evans said, not just that, we need another person to take up the slack for that extra time spent on the mowing. Mayor said, yeah, if Bruce gets to that point he's going to have to come before the Council and plead his case and if the Council agrees we can amend at that time, that's all. I don't have anything else on this. Any discussion from anybody outside the Council? None.

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Roll call vote, Councilman Warren Yay, Councilwoman Linkswiler Yay, Councilwoman Evans Yay, Councilwoman Mead Yay, Councilman Griffin Yay, Councilman Szatkowski Yay, Mayor Yay. Unanimous. Clerk said, I'd just like to say that none of those things were discussed with me prior to this meeting. This is our final meeting so I'm a little surprised by that. Mayor said, I thought he was going to talk about it. He said he was coming here. Clerk said, well he said he was going to come and I said, you don't need to come it's the final meeting, but he didn't say anything about any of that. Mayor said, well he did to me that's why I brought it up. We're covered though, we can amend this if need be at the time and that satisfies me. We will have a break here for 6 minutes and reconvene at 6:00.

Councilwoman Evans made a Motion to adjourn at 5:54pm.

