

Town of Pomona Park – Town Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 (6:00 pm) This meeting was held at Town Hall for Council & Public VIA TELECONFERENCE. Call 1-888-204-5987 Access Code is 3674654#

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

Mayor Joseph Svingala led in the pledge to the flag.

Town Clerk Andrea read the Correspondence list.

Minutes of Council Meeting: Councilwoman Evans motioned to approve meeting minutes 8/17/21 and Emergency Meeting minutes 8/25/21. Dr. Warren 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimous.

Unfinished Business: Treasurer Kelly Krupski gave a review of the financials. Joe Svingala Jr. Chairperson for Beautification. The Annual Everybody's Having a Yard Sale has been postponed at this time due to community safety and lack of time for advertising. Beautification has asked to be allowed to have the yard sale at another time. Beautification voted to be involved in the Arbor Day Celebration. The Committee is going to look into purchasing another Cedar Tree for the Community Center.

Councilwoman Mead presented the September Tree Board Meeting. This year makes up thirty-one years of being a Tree City. This coming year marks Thirty-Two years of being a Tree City. Arbor Day will be January 14, 2022, at 4 pm, held at the Community Center. Beautification has agreed to partner to sponsor this year's Arbor Day Celebration. Councilwoman Mead stated a few trees would need to be removed this year. And a new Cedar tree will be planted for the Town.

Guest Speaker- Ivey Sauls presented the Environmental Coalition of Putnam County, opposing biosolids dumped in Putnam County.

Janet Spornberger explained that the County had ended the investigation into filling in the Wet Lands, it did not disqualify the Biosolid application. Attorney Sherar suggested having a Resolution opposing Biosolids at the next meeting. The Council agreed.

Brendan McKitrick from James Moore Accountants explained how his firm would be represented as the new Accountants for the Town of Pomona Park. Mr. McKitrick explained that his firm would work hands-on with the Town staff. Mr. McKitrick would like to approach the Town as a team event. The partner that will be working with the Town will be James. James Moore will start working with the Town as soon as possible.

Public Hearing Items

None



New Business

Town Clerk Andrea explained that the Town had received the first payment from the America Rescue Recovery Plan of \$230,000. At this time, the monies will sit in an account by itself until the Town decides on what the funds will go to. Mayor Svingala suggested hiring an attorney to help know how to spend the funding. Town Clerk explained that the funding is not very specific on how to spend this money. The Town will receive the next funding in twelve months.

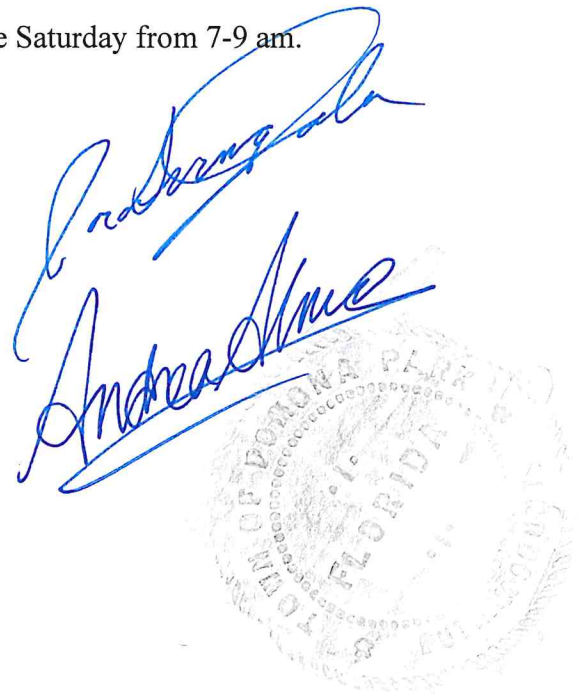
Clerk School - October 17-21

Dr. Warren motioned to approve Town Clerk Andrea to travel out of the County for Clerk School. Councilman Eckels 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimous.

A discussion was had about Deputy Clerk Kelly taking maternity leave and working from home. Mayor Svingala stated that it had been arranged with the Town Clerk for the Deputy Clerk to work from home. Resident Martha Mann recommended hiring temporary staff or herself to help in the office for the time being. No motion was made to move forward on this matter.

Upcoming events were reviewed, chat with the Mayor will be Saturday from 7-9 am.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.



The image contains two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The top signature is for Mayor Svingala, and the bottom signature is for Andrea. Below the signatures is a circular official seal. The seal contains the text "TOWN OF DONOKA, FLORIDA" and "INCORPORATED 1999".