
ROCKLEDGE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023 ♦ 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The Rockledge City Council met in regular session on April 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at Rockledge City Hall, 1600 Huntington Lane, Rockledge, Florida.

PRESENT:

Thomas J. Price	Mayor
Dr. Michael A. Cadore	Councilmember, Seat #1
Dr. R. Shaun Ferguson	Councilmember, Seat #2
Frank T. Forester	Councilmember, Seat #4
Duane A. Daski	Councilmember, Seat #5
Joseph E. Miniclier	City Attorney
Dr. Brenda Fettrow	City Manager
Jennifer M. LeVasseur	City Clerk & Public Relations Officer

ABSENT:

Sammie Brown Martin	Councilmember, Seat #3
Ted J. Hartselle	Councilmember, Seat #6

STAFF PRESENT:

Matthew Trine	Assistant City Manager & Finance Director
John Cooper	Planning Director
Victor "VJ" Karycki	Public Works Director
James H. Wilson	Deputy Fire Chief
Donna Seyferth	Deputy Chief of Police
Brian Smith	Assistant Wastewater Treatment & Water Reclamation Director

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Thomas J. Price.

2. INVOCATION

- At the invitation of Councilman Forester, the invocation was given by Councilman Ferguson.

3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- A salute was given to the flag, and the Pledge of Allegiance was repeated in unison.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Regular Meeting on April 5, 2023

Councilman Daski moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on April 5, 2023; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried unanimously (5).

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Mayor Price

1. Award for First Quarter 2023

a. Employee of the Quarter

- Natalia Turbeville, Investigator, Rockledge Department of Public Safety – Police Division

Mayor Price recognized Investigator Natalia Turbeville, Rockledge Department of Public Safety – Police Division, as recipient of the Employee of the Quarter Award for the first quarter of 2023. Investigator Turbeville was presented with a gift certificate and a Certificate of Commendation, along with the congratulations of the Council.

B. Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast

1. Mission Space Coast

a. Angela Neal, Director of Special Projects

Angela Neal, Director of Special Projects, provided an overview of Mission Space Coast, an initiative to create a unified brand for Brevard County. Ms. Neal shared methods for the Council and Brevard County residents to get involved.

6. FINANCIAL / BUDGET REPORT

- March 2023

Councilman Ferguson moved to be in receipt of the Financial/Budget Report for the month of March 2023; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion passed by unanimous vote (5).

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS

- None

8. REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Councilman Daski moved to be in receipt of the minutes of the following meeting:

- Student Advisory Committee, Minutes of Meeting on April 4, 2023

motion seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion passed unanimously (5).

- A. Student Advisory Committee, Minutes of Meeting on April 4, 2023 (no recommendation)

Council Members encouraged staff to brainstorm ideas to increase student involvement.

- B. Reappointments and Appointments

1. Reappointments

- a. Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners

Councilman Ferguson moved to reappoint Ed Inman to serve a successive four-year term on the Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners; seconded by Councilman Forester. The motion passed unanimously (5).

- b. The Rockledge Environmental Enhancement (TREE) Board

Councilman Daski moved to reappoint Pamela Shoemaker, Martha "Marti" Rich, Frederick Sanders, Hope Leonard, and Julie Rebelo to The Rockledge Environmental Enhancement (TREE) Board for successive three-year terms; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried by unanimous vote (5).

2. Appointments

- a. Code Enforcement Board

Councilman Ferguson moved to appoint Thomas Murray to the Code Enforcement Board in the Subcontractor seat; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion passed without objection (5).

- b. The Rockledge Environmental Enhancement (TREE) Board

Councilman Daski moved to appoint Leigh Anne Hart to The Rockledge Environmental Enhancement (TREE) Board; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion carried unanimously (5).

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- o None

10. CONSENT BUSINESS

Councilman Daski moved for approval of this consent business item:

- A. Approval: Renewal of Agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for Body Worn Cameras (Public Safety Department)

The motion was seconded by Councilman Cadore and passed by unanimous vote (5).

11. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT BUSINESS

- None

12. NEW BUSINESS

- None

13. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Fritz VanVolkenburgh, District 3 Commissioner for the Canaveral Port Authority, introduced himself, shared a brief summary of the Port's growth, and offered his service and assistance.

14. REPORTS

A. City Manager Report

- City Manager Fettrow:
 - Reminded the Council of the groundbreaking ceremony on Saturday, April 22nd at 11:00 a.m. at 1049 Harvin Way.
 - Requested that Council Members RSVP by Friday for the Volunteer Breakfast on Saturday, May 6th at Rockledge Regional Medical Center.
 - Reported that there currently is a piece of property for sale, which adjoins City property. She requested Council's approval to contact a real estate attorney to research the potential property purchase, which is located within a Redevelopment District. The proposal would be presented to the Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners to commit funding, and if approval is recommended by said Board, the purchase would be referred to Council for final approval.

Councilman Cadore moved to allow the City Manager to contact an attorney to obtain more information about the property; seconded by Councilman Daski. The motion passed without objection (5).

City Manager Fettrow requested clarification concerning negotiations.

Councilman Cadore amended his motion to include negotiations if need be; seconded by Councilman Daski. The motion passed unanimously (5).

B. City Attorney Litigation Report

- o April 2023

Councilman Ferguson moved to be in receipt of the City Attorney Litigation Report dated March 31, 2023; seconded by Councilman Cadore. The motion passed unanimously (5).

City Attorney Miniclier provided a brief update on the cases listed on the report.

C. Reports from the Dais

- o Councilman Daski is serving on the Florida League of Cities Scholarship Committee and will keep the Council up to date regarding Committee developments.
- o Councilman Cadore will be attending a Federal Reserve meeting at Eastern Florida State College.
- o Mayor Price announced that summer attire will commence at the next Council meeting.

15. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Chairman Price declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Council Chairman

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk