

**FINAL AGENDA AND MINUTES
TOWN OF JUPITER
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP
JUPITER COMMUNITY CENTER
THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 2019**

Mayor Wodraska called the meeting to order at 6:33 P.M.

Roll Call: Mayor Todd R. Wodraska; Vice-Mayor Ron Delaney; Councilor Ilan G. Kaufer; Councilor Jim Kuretski; Councilor Wayne R. Posner; Town Manager Matt Benoit; Town Attorney Thomas J. Baird and Town Clerk Sally M. Boylan.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Linda Otto, resident of West Riverside Drive, stated she felt construction of a new Town Hall should be postponed for 10-15 years.

Ms. Joann Pisani, resident of Ocean Trail Way, felt disappointed there was no funding assigned for traffic management for the intersection of Jupiter Beach Road and A1A within the Strategic Plan.

Ms. Dorothy Espinola, resident of A1A, agreed with traffic management concerns at the intersection of Jupiter Beach Road and A1A.

Ms. Lili Wolfson, resident of Jupiter Cove Drive, spoke about her concerns regarding derelict boats and floating structures.

Mr. Ernie Fidanza, resident of Center Street, thanked Council for their positive support for Center Street.

1. Discussion of proposed Initiatives for 2019/2020 Strategic Plan.

Mr. Benoit reviewed Council's priorities from the January 10, 2019 Town Council Workshop which he broke down into three categories comprised of nominal effort priorities, significant policy consideration, and vigilance priorities.

Councilor Kuretski suggested a consensus of three or more, for the vigilance priority items such as Island Way South.

Mr. Benoit suggested considering those items which may have a majority of support rather than determining a consensus through a prioritization exercise. He noted items continued from the 2018/2019 plan included the Police Department (PD) data center; Daniels Way; traffic counts and mitigation strategies; an indoor athletic facility; entry features at major gateways; workforce housing; and the land acquisition/bond referendum.

Councilor Kuretski stated the priority for the PD data center was to have the construction complete by hurricane season 2020. He noted advocating for the bond referendum would be a priority.

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Mayor Wodraska said the indoor athletic facility would be a regional facility which would need additional partners for developing.

Councilor Kaufer clarified the Town could not advocate for the bond referendum, but should provide the residents with as much information as possible.

Councilor Posner believed the entry way features should include infrastructure for any roadways, highways and streets under the Towns control.

Mayor Wodraska wanted to capture the beautification of the South Florida Water Management District (SFWFD) gate C18 area as part of the gateways.

Vice-Mayor Delaney asked for clarification on advocating for the open space bond referendum.

Mr. Baird stated the Town could only present the facts to residents.

Mr. Benoit went on to discuss the nominal effort priorities which included renaming a section of Indiantown Road to Burt Reynolds Boulevard; utilizing historic structures at Sawfish Bay Park for eco-tourism; creating incentives for historic structures; encouraging and supporting local contractors and vendors; enhancing the entry monument on Indiantown Road west; conducting development process and skills workshops for developers and applicants; creating an education campaign for proper recycling; and communicating decisions on the construction plan and schedule for the US Highway One bridge.

Vice-Mayor Delaney suggested having a roundtable meeting with the consultant to discuss the US Highway One bridge construction plans.

Councilor Posner believed the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) would be coming in 2019 to provide information on the construction.

Councilor Posner clarified that the policy for the incentives for the historic structures was to incorporate having a Historic Resource Board review prior to going before the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Mr. Benoit discussed significant policy consideration priorities which encompassed improving the Center Street corridor from Loxahatchee River Road to Alternate A1A and conduct Council workshops on development reviews.

Mayor Wodraska stated the Center Street corridor was a long range plan and believed conducting Council workshops for pre-application development reviews would not be good for the Town's quasi-judicial process.

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Mr. Baird clarified that Council had previously codified the process in the Town Code which allowed for due process for all participating parties. He noted if the Town amended the Code to codify workshops review it could possibly make the process longer for approval.

Councilor Posner felt the Town may be able to provide advice to smaller developers and save both the Town and the applicant time and money.

“Conduct Council Workshops on development reviews” initiative was removed as a priority.

Council agreed to move forward with “Develop and implement strategies and ride-share partnerships to reduce drunk driving or driving while influenced in the Town” as a 2019/2020 initiative.

“Implement paid parental leave for Town employees” initiative was removed as a priority.

Mr. Benoit said the emphasis would be safety for the “Evaluate and enhance existing bike lane network for safety improvements” initiative.

Mr. Benoit stated the approach for the “Determine the state of our local sea grass beds, and evaluate strategies and plans for long term sustainability in the inlet and Loxahatchee River” initiative was to collect detailed data from other agencies currently involved with sea grass, provide the information to Council and allow Council to determine the Town’s involvement.

Councilor Kuretski mentioned an initiative he previously mentioned as “inlet and waterway health” which included seagrass and the Riverwalk. He said his intent was to be inclusive of all waterways, Jones Creek, Riverwalk, and the Loxahatchee River. Council agreed to extend the initiative to include waterways.

“Develop strategies for removal of at risk derelict boats” will remain a 2019-2020 initiative.

Mr. Benoit mentioned the last point was development vision and plans for older properties along Indiantown Road as candidates for redevelopment. He suggested several ways to approach the visions.

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Next, Mr. Benoit introduced vigilance priorities.

Councilor Kuretski discussed approaching the initiative of reducing pedestrian and cyclist conflicts as a significant policy consideration instead of a vigilance priority. He felt the subject could be addressed under ongoing mobility discussions as an action item.

Mr. Driscoll gave an update on the intersection improvements at Jupiter Beach Road, and ongoing accident and traffic counts monitoring.

Mr. Benoit suggested Transportation and Roadway projects could also be included in the ongoing mobility discussions as an action item.

Councilor Kuretski said he wanted his itemized priorities of Indiantown Road and Island Way South improvements to remain in the forefront.

Council discussed Public Participation at meetings and mentioned it would not stay on as a strategic initiative but would always be monitored for improvement.

Councilor Kuretski suggested a roundtable discussion on environmental initiatives that the Town was already involved in or monitoring and making the public more aware of where Council stood on issues.

Mr. Benoit said he planned to have the initiatives drafted by Resolution at the February 19th Town Council Meeting.

2. Discussion of the draft resolution opposing Dubois Park parking fees proposed by the Palm Beach County.

Mr. Benoit presented a draft Resolution to Council to oppose the County parking fees at Dubois park during weekends and Holidays.

Councilor Posner stated he was in favor of the resolution but mentioned the County needed to help keep the park and beach safe.

Councilor Kuretski stated he felt the Town should have been a participant in the process especially since the Town polices the park. He also mentioned he was open to ideas to help make the park more available to the public.

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Councilor Kaufer stated he wrote to the County Commissioners and Commissioner Hal Valache asked the Board of County Commission to consider an amendment to the budget to reverse the fee which would hopefully be considered at their next budget meeting. Councilor Kaufer encouraged everyone to call or write a letter to the County Commission expressing their personal views and concerns as residents.

Councilor Kaufer also thanked Commissioner Valeche, Commissioner McKinlay, and Commissioner Kerner who spoke with him and listened to his concerns.

Vice-Mayor Delaney mentioned he would be meeting with Commissioner Valeche next week.

Mayor Wodraska stated he would like the Resolution on the February 5, 2019 Agenda with the suggested changes from Council.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:28 P.M.

Sally M. Boylan, Town Clerk

Todd R. Wodraska, Mayor