



CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA

CITY COMMISSION

MINUTES • MARCH 26, 2019

City Commission Chamber

Regular City Commission Meeting

7:00 PM

CITY HALL
1065 RIDGEWOOD AVENUE
HOLLY HILL, FL 32117

City Clerk's office: (386) 248-9441 - Fax: (386) 248-9448

1. CALL TO ORDER

a. Roll Call

Mayor Via introduced Anasette Gentilhomme, Madame Mayor for A Day. She will be receiving a Certificate of Recognition for her essay, "If I Were Mayor for A Day" from the 6th Grade at Holly Hill K-8. Anasette helped Mayor Via open the meeting this evening.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Chris Via	Mayor	Present	
John Penny	District 1 - Commissioner	Present	
Penny Currie	District 2 - Commissioner	Present	
John C. Danio	District 3 - Commissioner	Present	
Roy Johnson	District 4 - Commissioner	Present	

b. Invocation

Pastor Vic Pruett, Senior Pastor from Holly Hill Church of Christ led the invocation.

c. Pledge of Allegiance

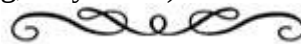
Anasette Gentilhomme led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2. POSITIVITY AWARD - HANSARD'S SERVICE CENTER

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Positivity Award - Hansard's Service Center

(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)



3. PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Via read the Proclamations into the record and congratulated everyone receiving an award.

1.

Honoring Martin "Marty" Warrington for 28 Years of Service to the City of Holly Hill

(Requested by Antoine Khoury, Public Works)

RESULT: NO VOTE NEEDED



2.

Honoring James "Jim" Kenney for 30.5 Years of Service to the City
(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

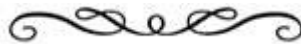
RESULT: NO VOTE NEEDED



3.

Teacher of the Year 2019 - Penelope Aguilar
(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT: NO VOTE NEEDED



4.

Mayor for a Day - Certificate of Recognition - Anasette Gentilhomme
(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT: NO VOTE NEEDED



5.

Proclamation - Child Abuse Prevention Month - April 2019
(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT: NO VOTE NEEDED



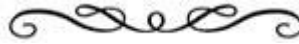
6.

Proclamation - April is Water Conservation Month

(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

Abby Johnson, Intergovernmental Affairs Coordinator for the St. Johns River Water Management District was present to accept the Proclamation for Water Conservation Month.

RESULT:	NO VOTE NEEDED
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4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following individuals spoke to the Mayor and City Commissioners:

Heidi Heller, 460 Ridgewood Avenue, Holly Hill, came forward and encouraged everyone who comes out to the Arts Festival on April 6 - 7, 2019 at City Hall to contribute and participate in the event and support them by either purchasing art or donating to the festival or to the school band for equipment.

Jim Cameron, Senior Vice President, Government Relations of the Daytona Beach Regional Chamber of Commerce gave a brief summary of last week's Volusia Days in Tallahassee.

Jim Schultz, 117 Harvard Drive, Ormond Beach, shared his concerns on fluoride issues.

Lynne Smith, 107 7th Street, Holly Hill, thanked Ms. Heller for speaking about the Arts Festival and is looking forward to the event. Mrs. Smith is the sponsorship coordinator for the Arts show and if anybody would like more information or make a sponsorship, she has some information about that. Two of the Commissioners who have businesses have participated, thank you.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1.

Minutes - March 12, 2019 Regular City Commission Meeting

(Requested by Valerie Manning, City Clerk)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	John C. Danio, District 3 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	Roy Johnson, District 4 - Commissioner
AYES:	Via, Penny, Currie, Danio, Johnson

Enacted and approved this 26th day of March, 2019, in Holly Hill



6. CONSENT AGENDA - NONE

7. REGULAR AGENDA

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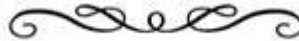
Seawall Repair / Replacement Assessment From Hurricane Irma in 2017 the Sunrise Park North and Riverside Park Seawalls Incurred Damages. Staff Requests to Issue Work Orders to Sea Diversified for Continuity of Design Standards and Approaches Between the Seawalls and the Already Issued Work Order for the Pier Design.

(Requested by John McKinney, Finance)

Mayor Via opened public participation. No one spoke.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Penny Currie, District 2 - Commissioner
SECONDER:	John C. Danio, District 3 - Commissioner
AYES:	Via, Penny, Currie, Danio, Johnson

Enacted and approved this 26th day of March, 2019, in Holly Hill



2.

American Legion Post 120 Request to Have Fees Associated with a Special Event
Waived

(Requested by Joseph Forte, City Manager)

*Commissioner Johnson made a motion to **APPROVE WAIVING FEES ASSOCIATED WITH A SPECIAL EVENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150 AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 120 FOR THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY**, seconded by Commissioner Penny.*

Mayor Via opened public participation.

Brian Carter, Squadron Commander and Dave Lowry Post Commander for American Legion Post 120 were present and gave some history on the 100th Anniversary special event and what it is they would be doing.

Mayor Via closed public participation.



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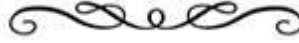
Boys with a Purpose (BWAP) is Requesting to Have the Fees Associated with the Use of Sica Hall on May 29, 2019 from 6:00 Pm - 8:00 Pm Waived.

(Requested by Joseph Forte, City Manager)

Mr. Forte gave brief history of who the Boys with a Purpose are and what it is that they will be doing over at Sica Hall. The BWAP are asking for the fees associated with the use of Sica Hall to be waived on May 29, 2019 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

*Commissioner Currie made a motion to **APPROVE WAIVING THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE USE OF SICA HALL FOR THE BOYS WITH A PURPOSE (BWAP) EVENT ON MAY 29, 2019 FROM 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM**, seconded by Commissioner Penny.*

Mayor Via opened public participation. No one spoke.



4.

Goals and Objectives 2019

(Requested by Joseph Forte, City Manager)

Mr. Forte went through the goals and objectives that was in the agenda packet. They were okay with what they discussed at the workshop and made a couple of adjustments to the goals listed. **Goal #2:** address parking requirements for businesses along the Ridgewood corridor **Goal #3:** add Easter Egg Hunt event; not listed that they discussed is Bike Week type festivals that they talked about "not" including and wanted to make sure that's still the direction. There was **consensus** to **not** include Bike Week type festivals to the goal list. **Goal #7:** look into landscaping corner of LPGA/Nova Road **Goal #11:** **consensus** from Commission to pull from goal list **Goal #12:** can be broken up into sections and bring it back in sections; more feasible and efficient way to start **Goal #13:** public meetings needed for this; it's imperative that the city points out to that there has to be cooperation from Ormond Beach to really make the trail work because there will be a gap if they don't so it would only be a substandard trail so that's something to consider. The goal should reflect to see where Ormond Beach is on the idea of a trail.

Consensus from the Commission to widen the trail; there is a grant out there that can be used that the city doesn't have to match it.

Commissioner Penny stated in a perfect world he thinks they would design Riverside Drive with a wide trail. When they look at Goal #13, there are two different goals there. Riverside Drive is a 25 MPH scenic road. If it's supposed to be a traffic calming, widening the trail would be a traffic calming device and putting the high speed traffic out on US1 is where it belongs. Trying to be the peacemaker and looking at their goals and objectives, he thinks they should eliminate them both and combine them and say work with the Greenways and Trails to maximize the multi-purpose trail on Riverside Drive. Not leave anything off the table because they're doing this down in Port Orange by Aunt Catfish. When he first heard of it he thought it was crazy but when the city talks about changing the image and changing the lifestyle of our community, one person, and one house and one block at a time. Would you have thought ten years ago that we would have had a first class arts show in front of our City Hall? The culture is changing and echo tourism is a really hot topic right now and if we can get people to drag their kayaks out there and use the waterway. That bicycle path, it took this Commission 15 years, maybe 20 years to connect our sidewalk to Ormond Beach. There was a massive undertaking. He is so pleased that the city has it but it just doesn't meet the requirements to call it a multi-purpose trail. You can't walk your dog and have a person and a baby stroller and then

have a leisurely person on a beach cruiser like me, compete with the high traffic bicycle guys that are going 30 MPH. It just doesn't work in that little area. He doesn't want to handcuff the Commission to these two options but he would want to encourage them to continue to look out of the box ways that....item B is his idea (*Turn Riverside Dr. into a one direction road allowing the east side*); look at out of the box ways to maximize that multi-purpose trail. Just don't leave anything off the table because that decision is not going to be made tonight and if they go down option B, they're certainly going to have charrettes, town hall meetings because it will impact the way things work. If they can go back 125 years and plan Riverside Drive, they certainly would have planned it a lot wider so they can incorporate, what I think, is our best asset, which is our Halifax River out there. If they can get people to come and use it then they change their opinion about our city, which is what he thinks, they all have in common in what they are trying to do up here. He doesn't want the Commission to get handcuffed tonight. He doesn't want to take anything off the table. He wants the Commission and staff to be able to work with Trails community and come up with a solution that's a win-win.

Mr. Forte stated and he thinks, if they, if they want they can have Paul come up, he may tell the Commission the greatest step in the right direction that this Commission can do is just what Commissioner Penny said. Is to support and seek ways to widen and better that trail system and make that solid trail connection between the Seabreeze bridge and Granada bridge and to work with Ormond Beach and the Greenways Natural Trail folks to achieve that.

Commissioner Johnson stated the most important thing on that whole sheet is working on getting that CRA extended. What happens if they run out and they don't have any more CRA money? Six or seven years go by rather quickly.

Mr. Forte stated that's a big goal.

Mr. Forte continued with the goals and discussed **Goal #14, Seaplane Base**. Mr. Forte stated one of the challenges that they have with the Seaplane Base is the Manatee Protection Zone which limits the speed limits of vessels and a seaplane, when it's on the water, is considered a vessel to 25 MPH. There's two areas of jurisdiction that govern the activities in the intercostal waterway. One is the State Fish and Wildlife and then there is the Federal Fish and Wildlife. When it comes to the State and they regulate the speeds within a 100 feet of the shoreline, which is really the taxi area of where these seaplanes would be, and then they have the US Fish and Wildlife that govern, for the most part, the open area of the intercostal. They need permission, by a variance, to allow these vessels to exceed that 25 MPH speed limit, especially when taking off. Not so much when landing but when the land they decelerate rather quickly but taking off they need to get up to 45 MPH in order to get their lift. The problem the city is having is the State is saying, "You don't have a conflict with us because you're not speeding in the 100 foot distance to the shoreline and the US Fish and Wildlife is saying, "We need a letter from the State saying that they have no objection" and the State is coming back saying, "We don't have a problem so we're not going to give you a letter." They have quite a dilemma and Mr. Forte doesn't really see the US Fish and Wildlife granting a variance for this purpose, with the exception under the claim that it's creating an economic hardship and that economic hardship could be the possibility of light seaplane manufacturing

companies coming to Holly Hill if they were allowed to do it. It's very restrictive to the point where even the colleges that have the crew team, these row teams, need a variance to practice because they exceed the 25 MPH. They get a short-term temporary variance for their practice times when they're out rowing in the intercostal. Mr. Forte stated he doesn't know how they are going to get a variance to drop these seaplanes and it's really a political matter that's going to have to work its way up through this political structure that we are all familiar with in order to get the US Fish and Wildlife to even consider dropping that Manatee Protection speed limit. There was **consensus** to leave it on as a goal knowing that there are going to be some challenges. **Goal #15**: There was **consensus** for the City Manager will send regulations/requirements to Mayor and Commissioners for Tree City USA designation so they can see what it looks like and maybe they don't want to be a tree city designation, maybe they just want to be more tree-friendly.

RESULT:	CM COMMENTS
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8. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

None

9. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. City Manager & Staff Comments
 - B. City Attorney Comments
- None

C. City Commission Comments

Commissioner Danio congratulated Anasette Gentilhomme for winning "Mayor For A Day"; congratulated the Hansard's family for receiving the Positivity Award for the month of April.

Commissioner Johnson reminded everyone about the special events coming up; Fitness Court Grand Opening on March 30th at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Easter Egg Hunt on April 13th from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM and the Arts Festival coming up on April 6 - 7, 2019 in front of City Hall.

Commissioner Penny echoed what Commissioner Johnson said about the special events in Holly Hill taking place; a lot of information is on the city's Facebook page; spoke about his trip to Tallahassee with Mayor Via for Volusia Days and the Volusia League of Cities Advocacy Team. While they were up there they met with their entire Legislative Delegation and the local Delegation took about fifteen minutes to meet with them and they were there to talk about Home Rule and Senator Travis Hudson is our local Senator and they expressed their concerns for a bill that was coming before him. He got up from his desk and went to his assistant and asked to file an Amendment on that bill and they found out a couple of hours later that the Amendment was filed. The message is, call your elected officials; they want to hear from you. They really want to hear from the citizens than they do the other elected officials. They want to hear from citizens. Commissioner Penny thanked the Daytona Beach Chamber that went up the following week and

providing that leadership for the citizens. They talked about special elections and short-term rentals. The day before they went up to Tallahassee, they found out about a bill that affects distilleries. Holly Hill has a distillery. Commissioner Penny encouraged the residents to reach out to the Mayor and City Commissioners as well. We want to hear from you.

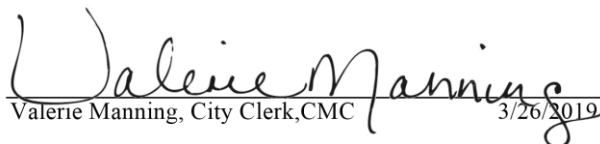
Commissioner Currie echoed what Commissioner Penny stated in regards to reaching out to them. Their contact information is on the city's website. Call or stop by. Congratulated and thanked both Holly Hill employees for their retirement recognition this evening; congratulated the Teacher of the Year; congratulated Anasette in her essay writing and winning Mayor For The Day; very happy to have her there with them tonight; Child Abuse Prevention Month and the block party that is coming up on April 10th at City Hall from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, it's a great event and a lot of information is available for the parents and kids; the Fitness Court Grand Opening is this Saturday at Sunrise Park at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM. A lot of good things coming up for Holly Hill and congratulated the Hansard's family for receiving the Positivity Award for the month of April.

D. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Via stated much of what he was going to talk about tonight has already been said but he has to say that he is very excited about the city's Art Festival coming up on April 6 - 7, 2019. There's a lot of great things coming to Holly Hill and he is very proud of the work that this Commission has put together. Mayor Via reminded everyone that at 11:30 AM they will be doing the ribbon cutting for the Outdoor Fitness Court at Sunrise Park. It starts at 11:00 AM but the ribbon cutting will start around 11:30 AM. It's a beautiful facility, best place to work out. Thanked Jim Cameron for being at the meeting tonight and for the great trip to Tallahassee last week and thanked Commissioner Penny for giving the update and echoes everything he said. Congratulated the Handsard's family for receiving the Positivity Award and for being a positive source in Holly Hill for so many years. Thanked Donna Strauss for her wonderful idea and contribution to this amazing Provision Pacts Charity and thanked Kerry for being there tonight to support that and thank you to Anasette for winning Mayor For A Day. She is going to do wonderful things and he enjoyed his time with her today at City Hall and recognized her parents and thanked them. Anasette came forward and banged the gavel to adjourn the meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned approximately at 8:30 PM.


Valerie Manning, City Clerk, CMC 3/26/2019


Chris Via, Mayor

3/26/2019