



**TOWN COUNCIL OF BRINY BREEZES
REGULAR MEETING AT TOWN HALL
4802 N. OCEAN BLVD., BRINY BREEZES, FL 33435
FEBRUARY 23, 2017 4:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Roll Call:** President Thaler called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Deputy Town Clerk Jackie Ermola called the roll: Michael Hill, Susan Thaler, Allen Behringer, Robert Jurovaty, James McCormick, and John Skrandel present; Christina Adams absent with notice.
- II. Additions, Withdrawals, Deferrals, and Arrangement of Agenda Items:** None
- III. Ex-Parte Communications -** None
- IV. Minutes for Approval:** MOTION to approve minutes of the Regular Town Council Meeting December 22, 2016 made and seconded (Behringer/McCormick). After a call for public comment, motion passed unanimously.
- V. Announcements:**
 - a. The next Regular Meetings of the Town Council will be held, March 23, 2017, April 27, 2017 and May 25, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. at Briny Breezes Town Hall.
 - b. The Town Election that was scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2017, was not required to be held and was cancelled.
 - c. The Town Council Post-Election meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. at Briny Breezes Town Hall.
- VI. Correspondence:** There were three letters received. One was from Dr. Celine Alexandra expressing concern about rumored reduction in lot sizes. Two letters were from Joe Masterson regarding work at P209 and alleging illegal issuance of Stop Work order by an Inspection Officer.
- VII. Reports:**
 - a. **Public Safety Services** – Captain Yannuzzi reviewed the monthly report. There was a discussion regarding a golf cart fire. In addition, there was a discussion on chimineas; residents asked what is legal and not legal. The chimineas can be used for cooking only. There was one report on an unattended fire in a chiminea that was not used for cooking.
Captain Yannuzzi also responded to a claim for clarification, that someone was sending police to a residence repeatedly by the owner. Captain Yannuzzi reported that there was one incident call since October to this location.
 - b. **Briny Breezes, Inc** – Joe Coyner District 3 Representative reported that finances were good. Gene Adams will be joining as a District 3 Representative and as liaison to Town Council. Golf Cart safety is being reviewed.

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- c. Mayor Michael Hill** – Mayor Hill met with Florida Public Utilities about lift station pumps and natural gas conversion for power as an alternative to electric. The natural gas line runs along A1A. This is of interest for hurricanes, if electric goes out, the lift station pumps could run on natural gas. He is researching this further on possible subsidies for this project. In addition, he will look to see if there is a FEMA grant restriction. Tom Olgesby will talk to an engineer on costs of hook up.

Mayor Hill would like review of the ordinance regarding elections. The process for elections seems cumbersome for a small town. There will be further discussion on the process. Mayor Hill informed everyone that the cost of an election to Briny Breezes is about \$8,000.00. Mayor Hill also suggested consideration of changing terms of Mayoral office to a 2 year term instead of 1 year.

Mayor Hill then thanked everyone for supporting him as Mayor during his terms, and then announced he will not be back as Mayor.

- d. President Sue Thaler:** President Thaler started by asking everyone to join in thanking Mayor Hill for his service.

The auditors are still working with our Bookkeeper on the audit report. We hope to have that audit report in March.

Sue discussed briefly the recent PB League of Cities Meeting that was held in Wellington. Senator Jack Latvala was at the meeting from Tallahassee.

A sidewalk usage study was completed on Wednesday, February 15, 2017. It was a 12 hour study done by Boynton Beach Police. During this study it was noted that 78 golf cart trips were made, 82 bike trips and 205 pedestrian trips. Bob Jurovaty asked why they included bike trips. Captain Yanuzzi responded that there is no bike lane on A1A at that area; therefore they sometimes use the sidewalk. This count will be studied further. The count was done on the East side A1A traffic. The Boynton Beach Traffic Engineer has offered to help us as we proceed on the sidewalk construction. Instead of the sidewalk being widened, we may be able to install turn-arounds converting grassy areas.

- e. Aldermen:** No report.
- f. Chairman, Planning & Zoning Board:** Rough draft of the “Green Sheet” is available on line.
- g. Attorney John Skrandel:** No report.
- h. Financial Report for December 2016:** Reported by Jim McCormick.

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VIII. Items for Council Action at Public Hearing:

- a. Resolution 2017-1, Designating the salary, benefits and manner of payment for the office of Town Clerk. Motion to approve, made and seconded (McCormick/Behringer). After a call for public comment, motion passed unanimously.
- b. Resolution 2017-2, Directed to the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections, advising the Town's Election for March 14, 2017 was canceled. Motion to approve, made and seconded (Jurovaty and McCormick). After a call for public comment, motion passed unanimously.
- c. Proclamation of Results of the Town Election. Motion to approve, made and seconded (McCormick/Behringer)

IX. Items for Council Action:

- a. Accounts Payable: MOTION to approve December invoice from Attorney Skrandel for total \$3,503.90 Made and seconded (Jurovaty/McCormick). After a call for public comment, motion passed unanimously.

X. Other Items for Council Discussion: None

XI. Public Comments: Lynn Weiner, M201, and Frank Coppola, C212, discussed the 911 calls for the fires. Lynn noted confusion at the 911 end. Ted Gross asked if the Fire Dept. uses a GPS system for response and finding streets. Kathy Cline, Fire Marshal, stated that when they are dispatched and they find they cannot get down a street they may need to find an alternative and turn around. She wanted to clarify; it is not that they are lost. In addition, Roger Bennett mentioned to help the Fire Department it should be discussed to trim back shrubs on streets and keep them back to where the BB Inc. rules state they should be. The shrubs can cause an issue for the fire truck when pulling in.

The fire marshal reported on the two recent incidents; the fire company dispatched at 8:44 pm and arrived at 8:46 p.m. to the chiminea incident. They dispatched at 6:59 p.m. and arrived at 7:07 p.m. to the golf cart incident.

A few residents expressed frustration with the permit process. There is wrong information circulating regarding renovations and what requires a permit. Some residents feel they don't need permits. Alice and Joe Coyner, F207, expressed their opinion on their recent bathroom renovation and the need for a permit.

Joe Masterson, M204, expressed his opinion regarding stop work on jobs that he currently was working on that require a permit. He feels this system is too strict and asked the Council to adopt some ordinances to allow some jobs to be done without permits.

Attorney Skrandel discussed the permit requirements, addressing why you need building permits and the Florida State Building Code requirements that the Town has to follow for permitting.

There appears to be some "Green Sheet" confusion and interpretation of what is on the "Green Sheet". The updated "Green Sheet" is in process of revision by the Corporation.

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XII. Adjournment: MOTION to adjourn was made and seconded (Behringer/Jurovaty) at 6:00 p.m. After a call for public comment, motion passed unanimously.

Michael Hill, Mayor

Susan Thaler, President

TOWN SEAL

Christina Adams, Alderman

Allen Behringer, Alderman

Robert Jurovaty, Alderman

James McCormick, Alderman

ATTEST:

Robert Jurovaty, Town Clerk Pro Tem

For relevant testimony, discussion, or oral reports, etc. please refer to the audio CD available at the Town Hall.