



Thursday, September 7, 2017
City Commission Special Emergency Meeting

Minutes

12:00 PM – City Hall Commission Chamber, 210 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

I. CALL TO ORDER

A special emergency meeting of the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, was held on Thursday, September 7, 2017 at the City Hall Commission Chamber, 210 Sams Avenue, New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168. The emergency meeting was made necessary in response to the imminent impacts to the City of New Smyrna Beach by Hurricane Irma.

Mayor James W. Hathaway called the emergency meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

| Attendee Name | Title | Status | Arrived |
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| Jason McGuirk | Commissioner | Present | |
| Jim Hathaway | Mayor | Present | |
| Judy Reiker | Commissioner | Present | |
| Jake Sachs | Commissioner | Present | |
| Randy Hartman | Commissioner | Present | |

Also present were City Manager Pam Brangaccio, City Attorney Frank Gummey, Assistant City Manager Khalid Resheidat, Police Chief Mike Coffin, Interim Fire Chief Shawn Vandemark, Finance Director Althea Philord, Maintenance Operation Director Faith Miller, Public Information Officer Anna Hackett, City Clerk Johnny Bledsoe, and Assistant City Clerk Kelly McQuillen.

II. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

1. Emergency Adoption of Ordinance No. 40-17: The forecast by NOAA of the probability of this City being within the path of Category 5 Hurricane Irma necessitated consideration of this ordinance prior to the originally scheduled dates of September 12 and 26, 2017, in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City in accordance with Section 166.041(3) (b), *Florida Statutes*, by enactment of a two-thirds vote of the City Commission. Amending the *City Code* to include a Civil Emergencies Update - Conduct the first reading of an ordinance, which if adopted, would define a formal declaration of an emergency or state of emergency by city officials, this document added emergency management definitions and actions, which would take place during a natural or possibly manmade disaster incident. Provisions for emergency management powers and order of succession were also included. The ordinance included solid waste language in an effort to increase efficiency during cleanup efforts. Debris removal language was added for clarification and authority to enable removal of debris from private roads and gated communities within the City when a public health and safety concern was warranted.

City Attorney Gummey read Ordinance No. 40-17 the first time, by title only.

Mayor Hathaway opened the public hearing. As no citizens wished to speak, Mayor Hathaway closed the public hearing.

Motion:

Commissioner McGuirk moved to adopt Ordinance No. 40-17, as submitted. Commissioner Reiker seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hathaway declared a state of emergency for the City of New Smyrna Beach.

Interim Fire Chief Shawn Vandemark gave a presentation that described both the current path and forecasted path and impacts of Hurricane Irma.

Public Information Officer Anna Hackett commented on updating the City's Facebook page with the most current information.

Vice Mayor Sachs asked if there were telephone numbers to call in lieu of Facebook.

Ms. Hackett stated the two telephone numbers were: (386) 424-2113 and (386) 424-2114.

City Manager Brangaccio commented on hurricane preparations. She stated that the City of New Smyrna Beach would not open shelters, as Volusia County was in charge of shelter operations. She commented on Votran public transportation that would be available. She commented on the possibility of a church opening up to accommodate the homeless population.

Police Chief Mike Coffin addressed evacuation concerns. He commented on manning the traffic lights on State Route 44 and he explained evacuation procedures. He stated he spoke with counterparts throughout Central Florida for a possible curfew, and stated 10:00 pm to 6:00 am could be a curfew. He also stated that residents would not be allowed to drive should winds that exceed 45 mph.

City Manager Brangaccio stated they needed to emphasize if it was a mandatory evacuation, rescue services would not be able to rescue citizens as they were told to evacuate.

Commissioner McGuirk commented on the City's reentry policy after a mandatory evacuation.

City Manager Brangaccio stated residents would need to have their identification and either a Utilities Commission bill or a tax bill showing the residents address and they would be able to be allowed to return after the evacuation was lifted.

Vice Mayor Sachs commented on the last hurricane. He said that the process was orderly for residents returning to their homes.

Finance Director Althea Philord outlined the disaster management services.

City Manager Brangaccio commented on debris removal. She stated Waste Pro was turned around by Law Enforcement from entering neighborhoods during Hurricane Matthew. She commented on other debris removal vendors and stated Maintenance Operations Director Faith Miller added a vendor to the Disaster Services.

City Manager Brangaccio commented on notifying citizens the right and wrong way to stack debris post storm.

Motion:

Commissioner McGuirk moved to continue the regular scheduled City Commission meeting from Tuesday, September 12, 2017 to Tuesday, September 19, 2017. Vice Mayor Sachs seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Motion:

Commissioner Reiker moved to utilize property owned by Jack Holcomb in the vicinity of U.S. Highway 1 and Industrial Park as additional parking for City equipment. Commissioner Hartman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

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| RESULT: | ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] |
| MOVER: | Jason McGuirk, Commissioner |
| SECONDER: | Judy Reiker, Commissioner |
| AYES: | McGuirk, Hathaway, Reiker, Sachs, Hartman |

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No citizens wished to speak.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

1. Consider entering into a contract for one year with Tetra Tech, Inc. for Disaster Management Services, utilizing the Volusia County Bid.

Assistant City Manager Khalid Resheidat outlined the contract.

Motion:

Commissioner Hartman moved to approve entering into a one-year contract with Tetra Tech to provide Disaster Management Services, as submitted utilizing the Volusia County bid. Commissioner Reiker seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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| RESULT: | ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] |
| MOVER: | Randy Hartman, Commissioner |
| SECONDER: | Judy Reiker, Commissioner |
| AYES: | McGuirk, Hathaway, Reiker, Sachs, Hartman |

2. Consider award of contract for back-up Debris Removal, Reduction and Disposal Services with Phillips and Jordan, Inc., for a term ending January 31, 2020, utilizing the Volusia County Bid.

Assistant City Manager Khalid Resheidat outlined the contract.

Motion:

Commissioner Reiker moved to approve the award of contract for back-up Debris Removal, Reduction and Disposal Services to Phillips and Jordan, Inc. for the period through January 31, 2020, utilizing the Volusia County bid, as submitted. Commissioner McGuirk seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

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| RESULT: | ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] |
| MOVER: | Judy Reiker, Commissioner |
| SECONDER: | Jason McGuirk, Commissioner |
| AYES: | McGuirk, Hathaway, Reiker, Sachs, Hartman |

V. CITY COMMISSION/STAFF COMMENTS

There was none.

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

There was none.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no other business to discuss, Mayor Hathaway declared the meeting adjourned at 1:03 PM.