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ELECTION 2018

In November 2018 voters will elect a mayor for Melbourne Village for a two year term. Incumbent Mayor Rand Carroll and challenger Heidi Salmon have provided candidate statements which you can find on the page 2.

In addition, three Town Commission seats were up for election for two year terms and one seat for the one year remainder of the term of a resigned commissioner. Three candidates qualified to run for these seats, so there will be no election for them, and the three candidates – Incumbent Commissioners Richard Jones and David Sinton, and returning Commission Grayson Dix – will be seated for a two year term each. The remaining one year term will be filled by the Commission after the new Commission is seated.

Leaving the Commission are Commissioner and former Mayor Steve Gaul, and Vice Mayor and former Mayor L. Scott McCoy. They have each served several terms with the Town Commission, and will both be remaining active, having accepted committee appointments effective in November. See page three for pictures of the elected and outgoing Commission members.

PUBLIC WORKS

NEW MINI EXCAVATOR RESTORES DITCHES

While our open ditch drainage system is much more environmentally friendly and was less costly to install than a system of concrete storm drains and pipes, it is more maintenance intensive. The ditches and swales must be cleaned and re-graded periodically to maintain the correct elevation.

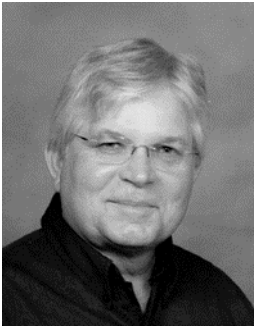
This year the Public Works department launched a project to “reclaim” the ditches and swales by restoring elevations to match the level of the culverts. Once this is done they can look at areas where the current design level does not seem to do the job and work out a re-design.

To make this possible the Town used the capital reserve from the StormWater utility to purchase a 2018 Takeuchi model TB230 compact excavator.

The public works team, led by Town Superintendent George Tompkins, are working their way around town with this. A map of the work completed and upcoming areas is posted in the Town Office, on the Bulletin Board on Dayton Blvd., and on the Town Website.



Mayoral Candidates 2018



RAND CARROLL

I have been on the Town Commission for 22 years including 11 years as vice-mayor and I am completing my 4th year as mayor.

It has been an honor to serve the residents of Melbourne Village as a member of the Town Commission and as your Mayor. I also served on the Code Enforcement Board

and was Public Safety commissioner in 1998 and 1999.

I am a graduate of Melbourne High and Calvin College.

I had a 42 year career as a teacher at Dr. W.J. Creel Elementary School during which I earned the Associate Master Teacher Award in Gifted Education from the Florida Department of Education.

I served several years on AHF committees including Chairman of Parks and Paths, Erna Nixon Hammock, Nominating, AHF swimming pool, and am currently on Credentials.

My late wife, Karon, and I moved to the Village 1981 with our 8 yr old son, Chris, because of the quality of life and the strong sense of community values. While there has been much change in neighboring cities, the Village has maintained the essence of what brought us here originally. It is unique in so many ways, enhanced by the dedication of the people who live here and work to preserve the Village for present and future residents.

I will continue to support funding for improvements and maintenance of Village Storm Water Management infrastructure. I strongly support our Police Department to ensure the safety and well-being of all our residents. I will always work to keep taxes down.

I actively supported the 2012 Land Use referendum that was passed by our voters and believe the legislation has helped enhance our village quality of life.

When the town marked its 50th anniversary in 2007, I suggested we start a new tradition as a way of building community and I have coordinated, shopped for, and served at the Founders' Eve Ice Cream Social at the Hester Wagner Community House for the past 12 years. Attendance exceeds over 100 folks each year. This tradition has strengthened our community as Villagers have enjoyed not just the ice cream but the chance to meet new Village friends and strengthen long Village friendships.

Thank you for your kind support. I look forward to further service as your mayor and working with you to protect and preserve the very values and qualities we share in our love for Melbourne Village.



Heidi Salmon

Heidi believes in ensuring Melbourne Village is the greatest place to live.

Living in the Village since 2001, Heidi is a bridge-builder and a problem-solver. After working at the Town office for four years, Heidi achieved her Certified Municipal Clerk Certification IIMC and went on to pursue a position

with a private firm as an asset manager.

Her experience includes:

- * Chairperson of the School Advisory Council (SAC) for nine years at Educational Horizons Elementary and Central Middle Schools, and currently in her second year as Co-Chair of Melbourne High School SAC.

- * Brevard Co. A+ Volunteer
- * AHF Membership Committee
- * AHF Nominations Chair 6 years
- * Internationally Certified Municipal Clerk
- * Certified Stenographic Court Reporter
- * Notary Public St of FL since 1995
- * PMRPC RSO and NRA Cert Instructor
- * USCG Master Captain

She's a Community business owner, including laundromat, car wash, online business, restaurant & catering, marketing and experience in hotel and tourist industry. Heidi is sought after for advice when it comes to business. Her training gave her the knowledge needed to run for the Mayor-Commissioner position.

Heidi and her husband, Christopher, have raised their four children in the Village. Christopher runs his own successful pool cleaning business.

Mike (26) teaches doctors how to use cardiovascular equipment, Chris (20) is in the US Navy and works under an Admiral in Norfolk, VA., Mark is in 10th grade at Mel High and on the wrestling team, and Heidi Rose is in 9th grade on the swim team. They are members of the Melbourne Yacht Club and enjoy family sailing in the Indian River - ICW.

My Platform:

Keep & Protect the Village. Make sure we follow Best Practices to Ensure we Keep our Independence as a Town and not get swallowed up by West Melbourne or Melbourne

Support & Strengthen our Drainage work and Hurricane prep & response. Working our Plans, Improving where needed, and Preparing for Future Big Expenses

Ensure that Budget funds are allocated and applied Productively and Efficiently, Keeping Taxes as Low as possible.

Allow the Villagers to have a Voice and be heard.

I ask for your vote Nov 6th and Thank you for your support. - Heidi Salmon

Public Safety

October 2018

by Chief Jack King

TELEPHONE CRIME INFORMATION

Of all our challenges at the police department the most frustrating has been the continued victimization of residents by the use of the telephone. Deterrent aggressive patrol by our officers, quick response, high visibility, and good interaction with the public has failed to stem the tide of this common weapon.

Some of the most common scams we have encountered have been predators impersonating the IRS, Microsoft technicians, FBI agents and even kidnappers. You shouldn't allow a stranger in your home and this applies to phones.

All the schemes are designed to extort money from you by the use of fear. Please do not transfer funds if you receive a call from someone you don't know. In this day and age, caller identification can be spoofed and even if you are supplied a call back number, this too can be untraceable. The use of electronic social media gives cyber-criminals a handy way to identify family members and they sometimes impersonate them to plead for a victim to transfer funds in order to alleviate a bogus emergency. **Again! You wouldn't let a stranger in your home and this applies to phones.**

Please hang-up on these calls. If you are fearful, call us at 911 or dispatch at 639-7532.

The department wishes the best of luck to our departed Deputy Town Clerk, Amber Boerner, who left her position and moving on to another great chapter in her and Ed's life. She has been a great asset to the town and to the police department. In the last eleven years she has always been a reliable, loyal worker and great person. We were blessed to have had her as a co-worker and friend. We extend our best welcome to Michele Rutledge who has taken Amber's place and has already become a valuable asset to the Town.

As always, we here at the department care if you have any suggestions or questions. Do not hesitate to contact me at the department. Please drive safe and buckle-up.

Jack King
Chief of Police



New and Re-elected Commissioners



Richard Jones



David Sinton



Grayson Dix

Commissioners Leaving Office



Steve Gaul

Scott McCoy



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Traffic Reminder



Solid Waste Collection Info

Monday Recycling and Yard Trash. Place yard waste in container or cut to 4-foot lengths.

Wednesday and Saturday Regular Garbage, Regular household rubbish.

Large Items If large appliances (stoves & refrigerators with doors removed) and furniture are not picked up within a few days, call Waste Pro at 837-0055 or contact the Town Office.

Reminder: Do NOT place large piles of yard waste directly beneath power lines or next to mail boxes. The clam truck cannot be operated under power lines. If you must place yard waste in plastic bags, do not seal them (leave them so they can be easily opened). The best option is to containerize small items whenever possible.

Contacting Town Officials

Written communication (including email) with Town Officials pertaining to Town business is considered public record. Letters should be addressed to the Mayor, Vice-Mayor, Commissioner, or Commissioners at: Town of Melbourne Village

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The Town Website is www.melbournevillage.org

Regular Town Commission Meetings are held at 7:00 pm the 4th Tuesday of every month at the Town Office.

Commissioner Phone Numbers

MAYOR	Rand Carroll	373-2637
VICE MAYOR	Scott McCoy	266-7211
COMMISSIONERS	Valerie Calenda	917-4434
	Steve Gaul	961-2169
	Richard Jones	728-1367
	Gerda Murphy	951-1715
	David Sinton	724-6928