CITY OF STAR HARBOR CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP/MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 10, 2025

6:00pm

CITY HALL

PRESENT for the Workshop: Mayor Watson, Councilmembers Tom Sherman, Kathy Martin, Bobby Hedge, John Adair and Tony Morrison. The Workshop was called to order at 6:00pm. There were twenty-two (22) in attendance at the workshop. Information was presented by Mark McLiney and Jack McLiney from SAMCO Capital as well as the city's attorney, Adam Miles, regarding Class "B" and Class "A" municipality options and infrastructure financing. Mr. Miles also updated the council on the Eminent Domain process currently underway concerning the drainage issue on Jupiter Road. The workshop concluded at 6:45pm.

PRESENT for the Council Meeting: Mayor Watson, Councilmembers Tom Sherman, Kathy Martin, Bobby Hedge, John Adair and Tony Morrison. There being a quorum present, Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:50pm. The invocation was given by Councilman Sherman and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Watson. There were nineteen (19) in attendance at the meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

• None

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to dispense with the reading of the January council minutes and approve them as submitted. Approval for the motion was unanimous.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The City Secretary presented the monthly financial report with the following bank balances as of January 31, 2025, which were accepted and filed for audit:

	CHECKING	CD'S	TOTAL
GENERAL FUND	\$618,707.15	\$283,037.55	\$901,744.70
UTILITY FUND	\$ 87,973.87	\$115,085.20	\$203,059.07
TOTAL:	\$706,681.02	\$398,122.75	\$1,104,803.77

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Sherman, to approve payment of the current Accounts Payable in the amount of \$5861.66. The motion was unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

- The roof replacement for the workshop has been completed.
- The installation of the Water Plant generators will soon be complete.
- Grant application work has begun for funding of lift station generators.
- A Blood Drive is scheduled at City Hall on February 14th, from 10am-2pm.
- Thanks were expressed to Ginny Hedge and her group of volunteers for the "Souper Supper" event recently held at City Hall.
- The filing deadline to run for city council is noon on February 14th.

2025/2026 GOLF MEMBERSHIP AND FEES:

Kathy Martin and Gary Robertson presented the Golf Committee's recommendation for golf memberships and green fees for the upcoming golf year which begins April 1st. Councilman Morrison made a motion, seconded by Councilman Sherman, to approve the recommended fee structure and Golf Rules as presented. The motion was approved by unanimous vote. Gary Robertson reported that the golf course irrigation system is now 100% operational thanks to efforts by Maintenance Supervisor Eric Hendrix and his staff, Golf Committee member Kathy Martin, Randy Pate, Mayor Watson and the City Councilmembers.

BOAT RAMP PROJECT:

The Boat Ramp Project Group headed by Councilman Hedge presented two quotes for repair work at the city's boat ramp. After discussion Councilman Sherman made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to approve the quote from J.M. Martin Contracting for this work at a cost not to exceed \$15,050. The motion was approved unanimously.

LIFT STATION REFURBISHMENT PROJECT:

Two quotes were received for repair work at Lift Station #1 at the city's entrance. After review, a motion was made by Councilman Adair, seconded by Councilman Hedge, to approve the quote from Inframark in the amount of \$30,243.55. The vote was unanimous for approval and work will quickly begin.

INFRAMARK PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Morrison, to enter into an agreement with Inframark, LLC, for the daily operation, maintenance and management of the water plant facilities. The motion was approved unanimously.

FAIRWAY MOWER:

Upon recommendation from the Golf Committee a motion was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Adair, to purchase a used Jacobsen LF570 2WD Fairway Mower from LADDS at a cost of \$46,000, which motion was unanimously approved.

STANDING COMMITEE REPORTS:

POLICE DEPT. – Chief Sam Commino reported 86 total calls for service in January with five (5) warnings issued, one (1) welfare concern, one (1) traffic control, two (2) follow-up investigations, three (3) special assignments, one (1) accident, two (2) animal complaints and one (1) alarm call. Security camera update work is being done.

BUILDING & ZONING – There are currently fifteen (15) active permits with one (1) permit being issued in January.

GOLF COMMITTEE – No report.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- Ginny Hedge invited the public to a "Paint & Sip" event scheduled at City Hall on March 1st. Details are posted on the city's website, bulletin board and in the monthly newsletter. Reservations are required.
- David Pyke commented on the Jupiter Road drainage issue.

PROJECT GROUP REPORTS:

- **1. BOAT RAMP –** Councilman Hedge no additional report
- **2. GOLF COURSE** Councilwoman Martin no additional report.
- 3. STREETS Councilman Morrison had no report
- **4. DRAINAGE** Councilman Sherman reported that the city is replacing a culvert on Rainbow Drive and performing ditch work to assist with drainage efforts around the city.

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ADABETH ROUTT-SHUMATE City Secretary