

**CITY OF STAR HARBOR
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

MARCH 11, 2024

6:00pm

CITY HALL

PRESENT: Mayor Steve 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 6:00 pm. The invocation was given by Councilman Sherman and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Watson. There were twenty-eight (28) in attendance at the meeting.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

- Jackie Robinson commented on police activity and street paving.
- David Shelton commented on street paving funding grants.

Consent Item/s:

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to dispense with the reading of the February 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 February 29, 2024, which were accepted and filed for audit:

	<u>CHECKING</u>	<u>CD'S</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$955,850.42	\$ 79,101.72	\$1,034,952.14
UTILITY FUND	\$ 62,925.81	\$112,312.29	\$175,238.10
TOTAL:	\$1,018,776.23	\$191,414.01	\$1,210,190.24

A motion was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Adair, to approve the Accounts Payable in the amount of \$2503.20, which vote was unanimously approved.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

- Mayor Steve Watson commented on the status of the wastewater project, Devin French's resignation, street repaving and golf course irrigation.

GOLF MEMBERSHIP AND GREEN FEES:

A recommendation was made by the new Golf Committee Chairman, Gary Robertson, to have no increase in membership and green fees for the 2024/2025 golf year. A motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilwoman Martin, to leave all fee structures the same as last year. The vote was unanimously approved.

B&Z RENEWAL/EXTENSION FEE SCHEDULE:

No action was taken.

STREET PAVING:

A motion was made by Councilman Hedge, seconded by Councilman Morrison, to approve a maximum of \$85,000 for repaving of city streets. The motion was unanimously approved.

LIFT STATION FENCING:

Three bids for new fencing at the city's lift stations were reviewed. A motion was made by Councilman Morrison, seconded by Councilman Sherman, to accept the bid from Pinnacle Fence for \$13,578. The vote was unanimous for approval.

HENDERSON COUNTY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:

A motion was made by Councilman Sherman, seconded by Councilman Morrison to request an Interlocal Agreement with Henderson County Precinct No. One to provide \$5000 annually for costs of labor and equipment costs available through the county. The motion was approved unanimously.

UF INFRASTRUCTURE/ASSET ACCOUNT:

A motion was made by Councilwoman Martin, seconded by Councilman Sherman, to increase the monthly deposit from \$1000 to \$3000 into the Utility Fund Infrastructure/Asset Account which is to be used for infrastructure expenses. The vote was unanimous for approval.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

POLICE DEPT. – Chief Commino reported 103 total calls for service in February with nine (9) warnings issued, one (1) welfare concern, one (1) disturbance call, one (1) criminal trespass warning, one (1) motorist assist, four (4) special assignments and one (1) alarm call.

BUILDING & ZONING – Tanya DeVaney gave a report of activity of the B&Z Review Board for permits issued in February: an addition to a dwelling at #30 Sunset Blvd. Work on a re-write of B&Z Ordinance 172R is continuing.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- David Shelton thanked the mayor for his recent update of projects and encouraged continuing wastewater service provided by the City of Malakoff.
- Roy Duvall asked if the city's golf course was an Executive Course.

- Ray Batten requested a candidate forum prior to the upcoming city election and inquired as to why all property owners in the city could not vote.
- Nancy Shaner commented on Agenda Item #9 and the Briarwood Subdivision water rate.

CONTRACTS/FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS APPROVED DURING MEETING:

- Street maintenance/paving
- Lift station fencing
- Henderson County Precinct No. One Interlocal Agreement

There being no further business on the agenda, the council adjourned at 6:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,

ADABETH ROUTH-SHUMATE
City Secretary