

**MINUTES
ORMOND BEACH CITY COMMISSION
HELD AT CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

April 1, 2014

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

Present were: Mayor Ed Kelley, Commissioners James Stowers, Rick Boehm, and Bill Partington, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, City Attorney Randy Hayes, and City Clerk Scott McKee.

A G E N D A

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. INVOCATION**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. AUDIENCE REMARKS - REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Minutes from City Commission meeting – March 18, 2014

6. CONSENT AGENDA

The action proposed is stated for each item on the Consent Agenda. Unless a City Commissioner removes an item from the Consent Agenda, no discussion on individual items will occur and a single motion will approve all items.

- A. **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-45** : A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION (REQUISITION #00000011395) FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHT 2014 CHEVROLET CAPRICE PATROL VEHICLES, UNDER FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION BID NO. 13-21- 0904; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Facundo Tassara, Fleet Operations Manager (386-676-3506)

- B. **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-52** : A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM QUENTIN L. HAMPTON & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES REGARDING THE UTILITY MASTER PLAN UPDATE PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A WORK AUTHORIZATION THERETO; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: John Noble, City Engineer (386-676-3269)

- C. **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-53** : A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM HALL CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES REGARDING THE NOVA COMMUNITY CENTER ROOF REPLACEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A WORK AUTHORIZATION AND PAYMENT THEREFORE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: John Noble, City Engineer (386-676-3269)

- D. **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-54** : A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE LEISURE SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD; SETTING FORTH TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Scott McKee, City Clerk (386-676-3340)

- E. **Riverside Drive Closure**

Staff Contact: Andy Osterkamp, Police Chief (386-677-0731)

Disposition: Approve as recommended in the City Manager memorandum dated April 1, 2014.

F. As-Needed Information Technology Contract Services

Staff Contact: Ned Huhta, IT Manager (386-615-7031)

Disposition: Approve as recommended in the City Manager memorandum dated April 1, 2014.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. ORDINANCE NO. 2014-07 :** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP TO CHANGE THE DESIGNATION OF ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING +35 ACRES LOCATED AT 550 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY "URBAN HIGH INTENSITY (UHI)" TO CITY OF ORMOND BEACH "HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (HDR)"; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(SECOND READING)**

Staff Contact: Ric Goss, Planning Director (386-676-3238)

- B. ORDINANCE NO. 2014-08 :** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE 1, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT AND GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 35± ACRES LOCATED AT 550 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD, FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY R-7 (URBAN MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO ORMOND BEACH PRD (PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT), AUTHORIZING REVISION OF OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(SECOND READING)**

Staff Contact: Ric Goss, Planning Director (386-676-3238)

- C. ORDINANCE NO. 2014-15 :** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE 1, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT AND GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 8.3±-ACRES LOCATED AT 1451, 1453, 1455, 1457, AND 1459 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY B-4 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ORMOND BEACH B-8 (COMMERCIAL), AUTHORIZING REVISION OF OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(SECOND READING)**

Staff Contact: Ric Goss, Planning Director (386-676-3238)

- D. **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-17** : AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE I, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT AND GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 18.68± ACRES LOCATED AT 1500 SAN MARCO DRIVE, FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY R-7 (URBAN MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO ORMOND BEACH PBD (PLANNED BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT), AUTHORIZING REVISION OF OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Ric Goss, Planning Director (386-676-3238)

- E. **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10A** : AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10 REGARDING THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 275 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD BY CORRECTING THE APPROPRIATE CITY COMMISSION ZONE DESIGNATION FROM ZONE 3 TO ZONE 4; RATIFYING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMISSION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Contact: Ric Goss, Planning Director (386-676-3238)

8. REPORTS, SUGGESTIONS, REQUESTS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Item #1 – Meeting Call to Order

Mayor Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Item #2 – Invocation

Pastor Neal Ganzel, Coquina Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation.

Item #3 – Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kelley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item #4 – Audience Remarks

Ms. Rita Press, Citizens for Ormond Beach Incorporated, stated that the housing bubble affected communities throughout the United States. She explained that in Ormond Beach, like in all communities, the effects could be seen in foreclosed and vacant homes, deteriorating properties, loss of property values and in loss of revenue to the city at a time when those dollars were sorely needed. She stated that her civic group, Citizens for Ormond Beach Incorporated (CFOB), believed that something needed to be done about the issue. She explained that, with the cooperation of city staff and the community, they began to catalogue those vacant properties, and asked residents to go to their website, cfobonline.com, and anonymously tell them of a vacant home in their neighborhood. She noted that a number of respondents told them of homes that had already registered with the city, but a great many of those reported had not been. She stated that the response they received and continued to receive was most gratifying and very encouraging.

Ms. Press explained that CFOB established a research team which looked into homes' ownership, tax bills, foreclosure actions and dismissals, as well as the purchase of homes for rent by hedge funds. She stated that CFOB believed that they had accumulated enough information to give a presentation to the City Commission and to the community. She stated that she believed that they would find the presentation interesting, informative, very surprising, and a good foundation in which to begin a dialogue in an atmosphere of cooperation between the city and the community. She stated that she believed the dialogue and discussions would be a great example for other communities to follow.

Mr. Donald Cunningham, 19 N. Yonge Street, stated that it was interesting to him that Ms. Press made comments about vacant properties. He stated that he believed the best way to eliminate blight was to restore the integrity of the aquifer to support large trees and make properties far more attractive and habitable. He stated that the only way to do that was through effective terracing. He noted that he had been in contact with the Department of Professional Regulation. He stated that he would pass out to the Commission a copy of the letter he had received from that department, as well as a letter he wrote, a photograph of his grandfather in 1922 in Ormond Beach by his airplane, and copies of the state and federal codes on clean water. He noted that he had also spoken to Mr. Steven Lichliter, Airport Manager, and wanted him to receive a copy of his materials so he could review it and speak to him about it. He stated that there were a couple of enormous oak trees which were having water runoff because of the roads that were put in, and much of the water was being lost into drains off of that property. He stated that it was imperative to address the issue now and to save or plant large trees. He noted that he had been in a business previously where he learned about the information he was presenting, but the opportunity had passed for him to stay in that business, as there were no resources available to do so.

Item #5A – Approval of Minutes

Mayor Kelley advised that the minutes of the March 18, 2014, regular meeting had been sent to the Commission for review, and were on the city’s website for public viewing. He asked for any corrections, additions, or omissions. He stated that hearing no corrections, the minutes would stand approved as presented.

Item #6– Consent Agenda

Mayor Kelley advised that the actions proposed for the items on the Consent Agenda were so stated on the agenda. He asked if any member of the Commission had questions or wished to discuss any items separately.

Commissioner Stowers moved, seconded by Commissioner Boehm, for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Partington	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Item #7 – Public Hearings

Mayor Kelley opened the public hearings.

Item #7A – 550 Williamson Blvd. Large Scale Land Use Plan Amendment

City Clerk Scott McKee read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-07
 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP TO CHANGE THE DESIGNATION OF ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING +35 ACRES LOCATED AT 550 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY “URBAN HIGH INTENSITY (UHI)” TO CITY OF ORMOND BEACH “HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (HDR)”; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Kelley noted that though this was the second reading of the ordinance, the attorney for the applicant was present.

Mr. Jim Morris, attorney for the applicant, thanked the city for working with the applicant on the item and let the Commission know he was available to answer any questions that they may have.

Commissioner Boehm moved, seconded by Commissioner Partington, for approval of Ordinance No. 2014-07, on second reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Partington	Yes
	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Item #7B – 550 Williamson Blvd Rezoning

City Clerk Scott McKee read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE I, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT AND GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE ONE (1) PARCEL OF REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 35± ACRES LOCATED AT 550 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD, FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY R-7 (URBAN MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) TO ORMOND BEACH PRD (PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT), AUTHORIZING REVISION OF OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Partington moved, seconded by Commissioner Boehm, for approval of Ordinance No. 2014-08, on second reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Partington	Yes
	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Item #7C – 1451-1459 N. US1 (Gardens Business Center) Zoning Map Amendment

City Clerk Scott McKee read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE 1, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT AND GENERAL REGULATIONS, OF THE CITY OF ORMOND BEACH LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TOTALING 8.3±-ACRES LOCATED AT 1451, 1453, 1455, 1457, AND 1459 NORTH US HIGHWAY 1, FROM VOLUSIA COUNTY B-4 (GENERAL COMMERCIAL) TO ORMOND BEACH B-8 (COMMERCIAL), AUTHORIZING REVISION OF OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; REPEALING ALL INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Boehm moved, seconded by Commissioner Stowers, for approval of Ordinance No. 2014-15, on second reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Partington	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Item #7D – 1500 San Marco Drive Rezoning

City Clerk Scott McKee read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PARAGRAPH C, OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF SECTION 2-01, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF ARTICLE I, ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIAL ZONING MAP, OF CHAPTER 2, DISTRICT

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Mr. Ric Goss, Planning Director, stated that he wanted to inform the Commission why the property was being given a Planned Business Development (PBD) instead of a residential zoning designation. He noted that the property had 13 units per acre and the R6 residential zoning designation capped at 12 units per acre. He explained that a PBD involved density based on a plan and providing a professional office designation allowed for a PBD. He noted that staff and the Planning Board recommended approval.

Commissioner Partington moved, seconded by Commissioner Stowers, for approval of Ordinance No. 2014-17, on first reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
	Commissioner Partington	Yes
	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Item #7E – 275 Williamson Blvd. Annexation (Correction)

City Clerk Scott McKee read by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10A
 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10 REGARDING THE ANNEXATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 275 WILLIAMSON BOULEVARD BY CORRECTING THE APPROPRIATE CITY COMMISSION ZONE DESIGNATION FROM ZONE 3 TO ZONE 4; RATIFYING ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10, AS AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMISSION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Goss explained that this ordinance corrected the previously approved Ordinance No. 2014-10 by correcting the zone from Zone 3 to Zone 4. He noted that the applicant's attorney wished for him to state for the record that the city intended to provide a land use designation of low intensity commercial, which was consistent with the property's zoning in the county and intended to give them a PBD to recognize the uses and development standards that were permitted under the county.

Commissioner Partington moved, seconded by Commissioner Boehm, for approval of Ordinance No. 2014-10A, on first reading, as read by title only.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Partington	Yes
	Commissioner Stowers	Yes
	Commissioner Boehm	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Kelley	Yes

Mayor Kelley closed the public hearing without objection.

Item #8 – Reports, Suggestions, Requests

Ms. Shanahan reminded the Commission that their Tuesday, April 15, 2014, City Commission Meeting had been moved to Wednesday, April 16, 2014, due to the Passover holiday.

Ms. Shanahan noted that Ms. Press had spoken earlier that evening about CFOB wanting to give a presentation to the Commission. She explained that there was already a workshop scheduled for May 6, 2014, at 5:30 p.m., and the CFOB presentation could be added to that workshop agenda, if the Commission was inclined to do so.

Mayor Kelley asked if the Commission would receive information in advance of the workshop.

Ms. Shanahan stated that she had advised Ms. Press to provide the information to staff in advance, by April 30, 2014, so that it could be included in the agenda packet for the workshop, noting that the agenda packet would be sent to the Commission on May 1, 2014.

Mayor Kelley stated that he believed Ms. Press had asked for 30 minutes to make her presentation. He noted that he thought that was a little long as he believed that the Commission was aware of the issues and had been following them. He explained that he felt 30 minutes was long for a presentation when the Commission would have the information beforehand to review.

Ms. Shanahan noted that the time limit was certainly up to the Commission's discretion. She suggested that possibly the 30 minutes would include time for questions and answers.

Ms. Press stated that there were 328 foreclosures registered with the city. She stated that CFOB had indicated that there were a great number of unoccupied homes that were in terrible condition.

Mayor Kelley stated that the Commission did not need to hear the report at that time. He asked if Ms. Press thought the presentation could be made in less than 30 minutes.

Ms. Press stated that if the Commission did not wish to hear the presentation, then it could be moved to the library and opened up for the public. She explained that city staff had been good at working with them, and she believed that making the presentation to the Commission would follow through. She stated that she believed that CFOB had compiled information that she did not believe anyone in the city had. She noted that they had a record of every foreclosed home, the taxes, the dismissals, and foreclosures. She asked if the Commission was aware that she recently found two homes in the city that had been unoccupied for years and had homestead exemptions. She stated that she did not believe that all of that information was already known. She stated that she believed it was incumbent on the community to do something about the issue. She noted that residents were very encouraging of CFOB's actions and understood the problem. She stated that she thought the Commission should be open to listening to suggestions.

Mayor Kelley asked if there was anything that could be done other than making them aware of what they already knew about the issue.

Ms. Press stated that she believed there was something that could be done. She explained that they had initiated some legal review. She stated that she thought that the Commission should at least be open to listening to their presentation and having a discussion.

Ms. Shanahan stated that she believed Mayor Kelley had expressed that he was open to the presentation but was attempting to allocate enough time for it, as well as the other items on the workshop's agenda.

Mayor Kelley noted that since there was a previously scheduled workshop that night and that they would only have approximately an hour and 45 minutes for that workshop as well as this presentation.

Ms. Shanahan stated that she had tried to find a date for the presentation, but the Commission already had workshops accompanying every meeting until August.

Mayor Kelley explained to Ms. Press that he just wanted the workshop to be productive. He stated that he had been following the issue as well and that some of the information that they would be given was information they already had from the city. He noted that he wanted the discussion be productive and not repetitive. He explained that the city did the same thing when Finance Director Kelly McGuire gave budget presentations, as the Commission did not want to go point by point through a PowerPoint presentation with her on information that they had been previously provided. He stated that discussions that could cause solutions was what he thought was important. He explained that he was more interested in CFOB's ideas for solutions than the actual information about the homes. He noted that he believed that the city was fortunate not to have the percentage of foreclosed properties that some neighboring cities had.

Ms. Shanahan stated that she believed she had Mayor Kelley's direction.

Ms. Shanahan asked the Commission to please keep Assistant City Manager and Public Works Director Ted MacLeod in their thoughts and prayers, and noted that he was getting better every day.

Mayor Kelley asked Ms. Shanahan if she had a timeline for when Mr. MacLeod would return.

Ms. Shanahan replied that she did not; she explained that he was still undergoing some testing.

Commissioner Boehm noted that one of the items on the Consent Agenda dealt with replacing eight police vehicles. He explained that in the past, when new vehicles were ordered they were ordered with additional options including emergency lighting and partitions already installed by the dealer. He went on to explain that now the Fleet Department, which had a Master Certified Emergency Vehicle Technician, was going to perform that work themselves in-house, which would save the city money and get the vehicles back to the Police Department much faster. He stated that he thought that was another example of city staff doing much more than people gave government credit for. He noted that they were going over and above.

Commissioner Boehm stated that he attended the Taste of Ormond, as did Commissioner Partington. He stated that it was a terrific event put on by Ormond Beach Main Street and a number of the local Ormond Beach restaurants had participated in the event. He encouraged everyone to attend the event in the future.

Commissioner Boehm stated that the Celtic Festival would be held by Ormond Beach Main Street in late April. He recommended everyone attend.

Commissioner Partington stated that he thought the Tomoka Marathon was a great event. He noted that he arrived around 11:45 a.m. and there were thousands of people there. He stated that he saw runners going into the shops along Granada Boulevard after they had completed their races. He stated that he heard from local runners how out of town runners raved about the course and Ormond Beach.

Commissioner Partington stated that Movies on the Halifax would be held on Friday, April 4, 2014, and the movie that would be shown was *The Flight of the Navigator*.

Commissioner Stowers noted that his cell phone number was available and listed on the city's website. He explained that he prided himself on trying to be accessible to residents so as to not have a scenario where residents had the perception that staff or elected officials hid from contact. He stated that he did not need a month to prepare for a meeting and was willing and available to meet with residents about foreclosures or any other issues, noting that he believed that most of the Commission felt the same. He noted that he recognized the utility of presentations and a public forum but wanted to make it clear that he was available. He stated that, as Mayor Kelley had mentioned, the Commission was aware of foreclosure issues and had been trying to find solutions. He explained that he had recently had a back and forth discussion with the City Attorney about an idea he had based on continuing legal education he had taken. He noted that it turned out that the City Attorney mentioned in the legal education had an approach that was so inventive that it had made its way to the Florida Supreme Court and was now illegal. He stated that he believed the issue was critical, and it should remain at the forefront.

Commissioner Stowers stated that he also attended the Tomoka Marathon. He noted that he was impressed with the level of participation and number of people at the event. He stated that he was also impressed the next morning when reading the Daytona Beach News-Journal and seeing the list of all of the winners and leaders, noting that there were not a lot of local people listed and that the list was mainly comprised of participants from outside the community and outside the state. He noted that the event was great to bring in people from outside the community and to show them one of Ormond Beach's best assets, The Loop.

Commissioner Stowers thanked Ms. Shanahan and Leisure Services Director Robert Carolin. He explained that he had a resident call him Sunday afternoon with a concern at about 1:08 p.m. He stated that he responded to him, sent a few emails and by 1:15 someone from the city was on their way out to the park to deal with the concern. He stated that the citizen had expressed surprise that he had called him back so soon and was impressed when he texted him back that someone was on their way to resolve the

issue. He stated that a 50-year resident of Ormond Beach called him last week and had been very frustrated. He noted that again within five to ten minutes someone addressed the situation, and he believed the resident was very receptive and appreciative of that. He explained that the battle to change perceptions of government continued, and he wanted to let people know that they were transparent and responsive.

Commissioner Stowers thanked Mayor Kelley and Ms. Christina Maguire, Risk Manager, for putting on the Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge. He noted that he technically participated the previous year but truly participated this year. He stated that he believed he lost weight.

Mayor Kelley stated that the Challenge was well received. He explained that people had their lives changed. He thanked Commissioner Partington for going all out on the Challenge. He noted that Ms. Maguire did a fantastic job and that the Challenge would be continued and would have at least a monthly meeting of sorts.

Mayor Kelley stated that there was a very positive response to the Tomoka Marathon. He noted that there were participants in town from Canada and South America. He noted that 900 people ran and three people qualified for the Boston Marathon. He stated that he would like for Ms. Siobhan Daly from The Casements to let them know what comments she heard from participants. He noted that the race made the front page of the Sunday Daytona Beach News-Journal.

Mayor Kelley stated that his cell phone was also listed and that the Commission responded quickly.

Item #9 – Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

APPROVED: April 16, 2014

BY:

Ed Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

J. Scott McKee, City Clerk