



Meeting Minutes City Commission

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order on the above date by Mayor Bill Ganz at 7:04 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Deerfield Beach.

Present: 5 – Commissioner Todd Drosky
Commissioner Bernie Parness
Commissioner Ben Preston
Vice Mayor Michael Hudak
Mayor Bill Ganz

Also Present: 3 – City Manager David Santucci
City Attorney Anthony Soroka
City Clerk Samantha Gillyard

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Thereafter, was a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes - May 17, 2022

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITY BOARD MINUTES

Non-Uniformed Employees' Retirement Committee Meeting Minutes - February 14, 2022

Hillsboro Inlet District Meeting Minutes - April 18, 2022

Code Compliance Meeting Minutes - March 23, & April 12, 2022

African American Heritage Board Meeting Minutes - April 14, & April 28, 2022

Marine Advisory Board Meeting Minutes - March 17, 2022

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITY BOARD MINUTES - CONTINUED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to acknowledge the board minutes. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION AGENDA

June 7, 2022

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to approve the agenda as amended. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Certificate of Recognition presented to staff for the successful "Ignite" Teen Mental Health Summit.

Mayor Ganz recognized various Parks & Recreation staff for the successful implementation of "Ignite". The event, which provided an evening of education and fun was held at the DoubleTree by Hilton on Saturday, May 7th, with 105 teens participating in this first-year. Mayor Ganz said the event will continue on an annual basis. Thereafter, he recognized various Parks staff for going above and beyond for this event.

2. Certificate of Recognition presented by Captain Hofstein to BSO Law Enforcement staff.

Captain Hofstein outlined the teamwork given by Law Enforcement to keep the community safe while putting themselves in harms' way. On April 26, 2022, a theft was reported at Publix on Military Trail; however, the call quickly escalated when they were told the suspect produced a firearm and threatened the manager with it. Fortunately, the resources and efforts of the deputies allowed them to build a perimeter and with information provided by one of the deputies, they found the suspect in the warehouse and though the suspect wielded a semiautomatic handgun, the weapon and ammunition were dropped, the suspect was safely taken into custody. The handgun was reported stolen out of a vehicle burglary and during debrief it was determined that multiple burglary cases in the City were cleared off this one suspect. Thereafter, he presented certificates to each deputy involved with the arrest.

PUBLIC HEARING - SECOND READING

3. P.H. 2022-060: ORDINANCE 2022/010 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; APPROVING A \$10,000,000 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND BUDGET TRANSFER TO THE GENERAL FUND TO BE RESERVED FOR INDIRECT ARPA FUNDED PROJECTS AND A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT TO THE UTILITIES WATER AND SEWER RENEWAL FUND TO MODIFY THE \$2,800,000 DIRECT ARPA FUNDING FOR THE CHLORINE CONVERSION PROJECT TO INDIRECT ARPA FUNDING, AS SET FORTH IN THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

PUBLIC HEARING - SECOND READING - CONTINUED

The Ordinance was read by title only.

David Santucci, City Manager, advised that a presentation was given at the last meeting, which entailed the amendment of the ARPA program to allow the \$10 million expenditure for the Law Enforcement & Fire Rescue contractual services and allowing the use of those funds for programs and projects originally intended through indirect funds.

There were no comments amongst the Commission.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to approve Item 3, adopted Ordinance 2022/010. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chancy Chapman, 191 NW 47th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, commented on changes in criminal reform and laws; whereby, felonies are being downgraded to misdemeanors and misdemeanors are no longer enforced. Mr. Chapman outlined various cities where this change has been enacted and explained that crimes like car burglaries are not investigated nor is a report filed. He said this led to lots of shoplifting and many cars with broken windows. Mr. Chapman advised that something needs to be done as we are headed that way. Thereafter, he advised that Broward County Chief Justice Jack Tuter issued an order that states anyone booked on nonviolent third-degree felonies or misdemeanor charges in the County will be released without seeing a judge or paying a bond. There is no deterrence or penalty until something like a shooting takes place. Lastly, Mr. Chapman said a two-tier justice system is being built because those who can pay the bond will go to jail and see a judge but someone who cannot, walks away, which is not right. In closing, he asked the City Commission to intercede and reach out to the County Commission.

Paula Cook, 62 Centennial Drive, Deerfield Beach, commented on articles in the New Pelican regarding the CRA working with a foundation to create a Marine Science Exploratorium Center and the City forming its own non-profit corporation to operate the Exploratorium. The vision is for 10 employees and millions of dollars. Ms. Cook expressed concern because it is the same thing happening in Pompano Beach and it is not completed; additionally, because the City is already non-profit, it does not sound right that another non-profit would be created. Continuing, the other article commented on EV charging stations with Florida Power & Light at the beach. She spoke in opposition to people paying for another person's fuel and does not think it is a proper place to charge the vehicle.

Willie Rosetta Graham-Bracy, 501 NW 1st Terrace, Deerfield Beach, said every time it rains, her property floods around her corner lot. Cars coming by push water up into the yard encroaching her doors. Ms. Bracy said City staff has come out to pump the water out of the area, but it continuously happens and asked that something be done.

Sandra Jackson, 386 SW 35th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, said she is seeking a refund due to damage to her car after running over a pothole on Military Trail and 10th Street. She advised that tires were damaged from the pothole and after speaking with Risk Management, she spoke to the third party who said because the City was not aware of the pothole, the tire would not be covered. Ms. Jackson said she only purchased one tire, but also needs an alignment and another tire. She does not understand the City's process, but she did report it and asked that it be addressed. Lastly, she advised that photos have been sent to the City.

PUBLIC COMMENT - CONTINUED

Joyce Robinson, 810 SW 11th Court, Deerfield Beach, advised that the music at the Oveta McKeithen Park is very loud and believes it violates the noise ordinance. Although some are respectful, others bring professional DJ's that blast the music all day from lunch passed 8:00 p.m. She asked how long they are allowed to remain at the park. Ms. Robinson advised that the music shakes the windows at her home and even her china cabinet and asked that rules and regulations be established for these events.

William Lane, 11 Tilford A, Deerfield Beach, said he was reading an article in Travel & Leisure that named Deerfield Beach as the most affordable place to buy a house and having one of the best beaches on the east coast.

Richard Rosenzweig, 97 Farnham E, Deerfield Beach, spoke on various topics: third term for city commission and Century Village COOKVE.

Helen Lupo, 194 Newport L, Deerfield Beach, said there are many difficulties within the community that are being created by one person. She said the person has been creating havoc by forcing people to sign to make her president, whereas, she cannot vote herself in. Also, she has had people to sign removing the president from the board. Thereafter, Ms. Lupo asked why Commissioner Parness is involved.

Mayor Ganz advised that he was mistaken on the agenda item for tonight's meeting and invited Mr. Rosenzweig back to finish his comments.

Mr. Rosenzweig asked how the third term would be approved by voters when placed on the ballot.

Mayor Ganz replied that he believes it would be majority vote. Thereafter, he responded to questions posed by the public. Criminal reform and laws - encouraged Mr. Chapman to also contact the Broward County Commission; flooding - working on capital improvements to address issues but there is not much that can be done when living on a corner lot; pothole – asked that staff look into this and he would also speak with the City Attorney; noise complaint - believes the time for the park is dawn till dusk as well as a decibel limit and time for people to make noise.

Captain Hofstein advised that there is an ordinance prohibiting noise and the decibel level changes in the evening, after 8:00 p.m. He said his staff will respond accordingly.

Mayor Ganz also commented on Deerfield Beach being the most affordable city to purchase a beach property and why that is a two-edged sword, because the City's tax rate is higher, but the values are lower when compared to cities like Boca Raton.

Commissioner Parness said he saw two letters of resignation by the former president of Ms. Lupo's building; whereas, they were signed and published with the corporate stamp. He said the police are investigating to determine if forged. Also, he advised that based on state law, someone can be removed from the board if 11 out of 20 people signed a petition for removal; or, have a meeting and receive majority vote. It was claimed that there were 14 people who signed.

CONSENT - BOARD APPOINTMENTS

- 4. Resolution 2022/093 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, appointing Giuseppe Lapenna to the Board of Trustees of the Municipal Police Officers' Retirement Trust Fund of the City of Deerfield Beach to fulfill an expired term; and providing for an effective date.**

The Resolution was read by title only.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

CONSENT - BOARD APPOINTMENTS - CONTINUED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Drosky, to approve Item 4, adopted Resolution 2022/093. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

CONSENT - AGREEMENTS & EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing for Items 5 - 8; there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to approve Items 5 – 8 of the Consent Agenda. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

- 5. Resolution 2022/094 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc./Area Agency on Aging of Broward County; authorizing the City Manager to execute the MOU; providing for implementation and an effective date.**
- 6. Resolution 2022/095 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving an amendment to the Facility Use and Grant Agreement with the Little League Baseball, Inc. dba Deerfield Beach Little League for youth baseball programs to provide for an additional \$8,000 in grant funds; providing for execution, conflicts and an effective date. *(Funds from Account #001-7025-572-35-28 - Athletic Supplies)***
- 7. Resolution 2022/096 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving a Local Agency Program Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Deerfield Elementary and Middle Schools Safe Routes to Schools Project; authorizing execution of the Agreement; providing for implementation and an effective date. *(Funds from Account #399-1702-564-60-31 - Capital Project Grants & Account #108-5050-541-60-31 - Infrastructure Improvements other than Buildings)***
- 8. Resolution 2022/097 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving a work authorization with Carollo Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$165,790.00 to update the Integrated Utilities Master Plan; authorizing execution of the Work Authorization; and providing for an effective date. *(Funds from Account #401-5020-533-3099 - Other Professional Services)***

ADDENDUM

- 9. Resolution 2022/098 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving an agreement with the Supervisor of Elections of Broward County to conduct the Municipal Election to be held by the City of Deerfield Beach on November 8, 2022; authorizing execution of the Agreement; providing for implementation and an effective date. (Funds from Account #001-0308-513-32-99 - Other Contractual Services)**

The Resolution was read by title only.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Parness spoke in support and motioned approval.

Due to a lack of a second, Mayor Ganz passed the gavel and seconded the motion.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Mayor Ganz, to approve Item 9, adopted Resolution 2022/098. Roll Call:

Yeas: 3 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 2 - Commissioner Preston and Vice Mayor Hudak

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

- 10. Resolution 2022/099 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the award of Request for Proposals #22-21-PC for beach lifeguard stations 1-10; authorizing execution of an agreement with the top ranked, responsive and responsible proposer roof painting by Hartzell, Inc. dba Hartzell Painting for the services for a one year term, with two one-year renewals, in an amount not to exceed \$211,816.50 per lifeguard station; providing for implementation and an effective date. (Funds from Account #399-4553-539-65-30 - Lifeguard Towers)**

The Resolution was read by title only.

Vice Mayor Hudak spoke in support of the project.

Commissioner Drosky spoke in support of the project and advised that although he is uncomfortable with the price, he advised that in 2020, \$165,000 was budgeted and now due to COVID and inflation, the amount budgeted this year is \$212,000. If not done, it may be \$300,000 next year.

Mayor Ganz said the bid was sent to 357 perspective offerors and only 5 responses were received, which says a lot about what is happening; thereafter, he opened the public hearing.

Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed, 1430 SW 6th Way, Deerfield Beach, asked if the expense can be paid from the Community Redevelopment Agency.

Mayor Ganz replied no.

Sandra Jackson, 386 SW 35th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, spoke in opposition to the price and suggested reinvestigating as it is comparable to building a home.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS - CONTINUED

Commissioner Preston said if this project is delayed, there will be a significant increase. Further, this is a life safety issue and needs to be done so the lifeguards can perform their jobs.

Mayor Ganz said the cost does not only include painting, but actual construction of the stations, which have to withstand the environmental elements and waiting only increases the life safety issue.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to approve Item 10, adopted Resolution 2022/099. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

11. Resolution 2022/100 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving a Development Agreement with the Developer and Homeowners Association of the Peninsula Plat Development located on NE 9th Avenue/River Oak Lane; authorizing execution of the Development Agreement; providing for an effective date.

The Resolution was read by title only.

David Santucci, City Manager, said the significance of this item is the patience that the developers and property owners have had and assistance staff provided to come to an arrangement to make the properties as safe as possible with the stipulations included in the development agreement.

Vice Mayor Hudak said he has met with the stakeholder's numerous times and appreciates the work staff has done with them. This project has been in process for over 2 years and again thanked staff for their due diligence.

Mayor Ganz also spoke in support as changes to the parcel have been discussed over 10 years ago. Thereafter, he opened the public hearing.

Michael Brennan, HOA Attorney, thanked staff, Vice Mayor Hudak, and the City Attorney for their assistance.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Hudak, seconded by Commissioner Parness, to approve Item 11, adopted Resolution 2022/100. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION & LEGAL

CITY ATTORNEY - No Report.

12. Presentation on the new median landscape manual and update on current improvements.

Eric Power, Director of Planning & Development Services, provided a PowerPoint presentation. The City is working to create a holistic project plan for medians and adjacent landscaping around the medians. Planning has worked with Parks & Recreation Department members to create guidelines for the City that anyone can use. Since the plan is complete, staff is currently working on those improvements. Further,

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION & LEGAL - CONTINUED

CCNA contracts are being utilized to make improvements to four entrances, Hillsboro Boulevard from Powerline to Florida Turnpike, Military Trail north from Hillsboro to the County line, north Federal Highway from Hillsboro Boulevard to the County line and south Federal Highway from approximately 15th Street to approximately SW 10th Street. The process to improve these medians requires DOT approval along with plans designed to meet DOT's intentions. The process should take approximately 6 months from the hiring of a contract firm till DOT approval, then obtaining landscape. Thereafter, he provided guidelines including various landscaping for each segment and hardscape to include concrete pavers and decorative concrete pavers.

Continuing, Mr. Power said not every median is owned by the City which is why the plan is important. There are a little less than 4 miles of private median sections; whereby, these guidelines help private property owners understand what is required for them to improve their medians, especially when they are cited via Code Enforcement.

Teresa Rynard, Director of Parks & Recreation, explained that many times, plans are not designed with maintenance in mind, making maintenance very difficult, as evidenced with the current look of the medians. She explained that most of the medians are maintained by a private contractor; the bid is out, and service level specifications have been tightened and increased inspection programming to assure inspections happen right after the work. Further, there is a lot of sod that needs to be replaced because it has gone for years without being treated due to budget cuts, as well as other concerns. Thereafter, she outlined steps that the Parks staff has taken for beautification, tree trimming, annuals in the medians and others. Ms. Rynard outlined budget requests for the upcoming year: tree budget increased by \$150,000; irrigation by \$75,000; sod replacement increased by \$40,000; capital improvements request for multiple years, whereby, the first year includes \$250,000 and \$150,000 for the second year. Thereafter, she entertained questions by the Commission.

Vice Mayor Hudak said he is concerned with the property being built by Eller and Federal Highway. The median on Federal Highway, if traveling north from the complex will have to make a U-turn and asked if there is any thought to redesign the area to accommodate the northbound traffic.

Mr. Power replied that those medians on Federal are owned by the City, but because Federal is a DOT road, the City must receive their approval prior to installing landscape. Regarding Vice Mayor's Hudak suggestion, the developer is currently discussing with DOT to find another solution.

Commissioner Drosky said he has seen many intersections that need attention and asked if staff is able to maintain over 16 miles of median year-round especially considering other tasks they have to perform. He asked what can be done to make this a reality and how to properly fund and implement moving forward.

Ms. Rynard said there will be a lot of catch up and when budgets are cut, it compromises the grass with weeds. Also, there has not been a plan like this and right now, nothing looks consistent or purposeful due to varying trees and shrubbery throughout. She also commented on the transition into the City and still seeing something beautiful; whereas, there are Bermuda and Royal Palms for a mile going into Boca Raton. Notwithstanding, staff is able to perform certain tasks, but would hope to get some things down quickly.

Commissioner Drosky said time is short and he has not seen anything for those efforts, but he also understands we are playing catch up. Nevertheless, whatever needs to be done to fast-track and if city staff is spread thin, other options should be the focus.

Mayor Ganz said he is very frustrated because this has been ongoing for a long time. Thereafter, he commented on how fertilizer funding was cut during the hard times, but as time moved along, it was not a high enough priority and people do not understand why so much is being invested. He said many people question why is there an obvious difference when leaving/entering the City from other areas. He suggested Royal Poincianas because they are Florida natives, resilient, and don't require much water. Mayor Ganz asked how much will be managed with non-potable water.

Ms. Rynard replied not much yet.

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION & LEGAL - CONTINUED

Mayor Ganz said he understands that an allocation from Broward County is needed, as well as FDOT along their inlet. He commented on various issues with FDOT not willing to invest in their medians without the city taking on maintenance. Thereafter, he commented on certain arteries that the City does not have control, i.e. Powerline and Hillsboro where Deerfield Mall is in charge of maintenance. He said it is important to improve the curb appeal as it correlates with the property values.

Vice Mayor Hudak applauded the actions staff has taken.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing.

Gwyndolen Clarke-Reed, 1430 SW 6th Way, Deerfield Beach, said she was concerned about the Dixie Highway corridor from Pompano Beach into Deerfield Beach as the area needs a lot of attention.

Janice Fulmore-Tigner, 1090 SW 4th Terrace, Deerfield Beach, expressed concern with SW 11th Way to MLK Avenue as it is not continually maintained. Also, between 6th Way and MLK, the area is not upkept at all and asked that staff take a look. Lastly, she said the trees are too high when turning in and coming out.

Helen Lupo, 194 Newport L, Deerfield Beach, said the size of plants on the medians should be regulated because there is an obstruction of oncoming cars when the bushes are too wide or too high.

Mayor Ganz said he believes there is, but staff will clarify; thereafter, he closed the public hearing.

Ms. Rynard agreed that there is a guideline.

Mayor Ganz said the investment on Dixie Highway with the fencing received praise at the last Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting.

CITY MANAGER

Community Garden - David Santucci, City Manager, said a community garden is being set up at the Teen Center and is undergoing a grant process for funding. He said he is hopeful that the teens will operate the garden, which will serve as a therapeutic program, and whatever is produced will be given to the community.

Vice Mayor Hudak left the dais temporarily at 8:23 p.m.

Stormwater Update - Mr. Santucci advised that an update will be provided at the next City Commission meeting to address the status; this information was also provided in the Commission's weekly report.

New Assistant City Manager - Mr. Santucci said Horace McHugh was selected as the new assistant; thereafter, he outlined his experience as an executive as well as the skills Mr. McHugh possesses.

Vice Mayor Hudak returned at 8:24 p.m.

CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS**13. Discussion regarding the selection of a voting delegate to the Florida League of Cities 2022 Annual Conference from August 11-13, 2022.**

There was a brief discussion to select Vice Mayor Hudak as the voting delegate and Commissioner Drosky as the alternate.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Hudak, seconded by Commissioner Parness, to approve Vice Mayor Hudak as the voting delegate and Commissioner Drosky as alternate. Voice Vote:

CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS - CONTINUED

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

COMMENTS BY MAYOR & CITY COMMISSION**COMMISSIONER DROSKY****DISTRICT 4**

City Recognition - Commissioner Drosky said during Jeopardy, there was a question that included Deerfield Beach, which he found to be fascinating as it shows the City is being recognized on a different platform.

COMMISSIONER PARNES**DISTRICT 3**

Mass Shootings - Commissioner Parness commented on the importance of protecting the children and the various tragedies throughout the Country. He explained how assault weapons were regulated by the government which decreased mass shootings. Furthermore, he said he will not support a candidate opposed to requiring universal background checks. Lastly, he said if nothing is done, this will continue to happen and does not know what it will take for everyone to consider the long-term consequences.

COMMISSIONER PRESTON**DISTRICT 2**

Mass Shootings - Commissioner Preston echoed Commissioner Parness' sentiments and added the need for better gun laws; not taking away the right to bear arms but being mindful of those receiving guns. Lastly, he advised that other industrialized countries are not experiencing this.

Parks Staff - Commissioner Preston thanked staff for their efforts whereas they were able to coordinate an event with 2-days' notice for photos and hors d'oeuvres [sic].

Juneteenth - Commissioner Preston advised that Juneteenth will be celebrated on June 18th from 10 a.m. till 8 p.m. He encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the festivities.

NFL Camp - Commissioner Preston said a camp will be held at Oveta McKeithen Recreational Complex on June 25th and invited everyone to attend; presented by NFL players Brandon Powell and James Pierre.

Noise Ordinance - Commissioner Preston commented on calls he has received regarding loud music. Although the police are responsive, there are sometimes emergencies that prohibit them from coming right away. Nevertheless, he has heard it personally and these functions are being done without an event permit.

Potholes - Commissioner Preston said he hopes the City will find a way to help the resident repair damage caused by a pothole. Residents should not have to bear the burden of paying and asked that it be resolved satisfactorily, as the affected resident should not have to incur any costs.

VICE MAYOR HUDAK**DISTRICT 1**

Commission Chambers - Vice Mayor Hudak asked if there were any plans to remove the plexiglass around the dais.

David Santucci, City Manager, advised that it would be based on the entire Commission's comfort level.

Hurricane Season - Vice Mayor Hudak encouraged everyone to start preparing for hurricanes now instead of waiting for an imminent event to do so.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR & CITY COMMISSION - CONTINUED

Sea Oats - Vice Mayor Hudak said Lee Gottlieb and his organization planted sea oats along the south end of the beach several years ago to retain the sand. Though he was against it, the plantings have helped and believes it would be better to plant more instead of spending millions on a beach renourishment. He asked staff to research how high the mounds will get, as it is currently 2 feet high after 7 years. At a minimum, he would like the sea oats that cover the mounds to be fixed up as other plants are invading them. Also, he asked that staff research extending them along the beach or further to the next tower. He also commented on the plastic fence and bringing it down, then spending millions of dollars to renourish the beach. A long-term solution is needed to retain the sand and if the mounds will not obstruct the view, it should be considered in the future.

MAYOR BILL GANZ

Quiet Waters Park - Mayor Ganz said there was a concert at the park and the music was very loud for those living along Hillsboro Boulevard. He thanked law enforcement for acting but still plans to address this with County Commissioner Bogen as the event was too loud.

Infrastructure Plan & Flooding Response - Mayor Ganz said there is a plan to address flooding, but it is difficult to combat a lot of rain in a short period of time. Therefore, he encouraged staff to be ready to respond post hazardous, especially in areas prone to flooding. He advised that other cities face the same challenges; nevertheless, he asked for patience as there is a plan to invest in infrastructure to address long-term flooding issues.

Board Vacancies - Mayor Ganz said there are vacancies on various advisory boards and asked for anyone interested in volunteering to let him know.

Beach Nourishment - Mayor Ganz said there was a public meeting to find an alternative to sea oats which was washed away.

Misinformation - Mayor Ganz commented on a former resident who communicated misinformation online regarding the fire assessment. Although the comments received by the City were satisfactorily addressed by the City Attorney, the individual did not remove or provide an update on the misinformation. He encouraged people to research or contact him for additional information.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no additional business to discuss.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Hudak, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Parness, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Hudak, and Mayor Ganz

CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH

BILL GANZ, MAYOR

Samantha Gillyard, CMC, City Clerk