

Week Ending: September 28, 2018

Witte Thoughts for the Commission

This week I met with DeLand (along with Mayor Raisler, City Attorney Simpson and Planner Beliveau) regarding the Joint Planning Agreement. On Thursday, I visited Interim County Manager George Recktenwald and I set a meeting with the County Director of Water Resources and Utilities (set for October 9th) to discuss the acquisition of Cassadaga water. I am putting together the agenda for the 11th of October, so if there is anything you would like to add, please let me know.

"Tough times never last, but tough people do." ~Robert H. Schuller~

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Meetings

Tuesday, October 2 at 8am
Historic Preservation Board

Thursday, October 11 at 7pm
City Commission Meeting

Thursday, October 25 at 7pm
City Commission Workshop

Thursday, November 1 at 6pm
Downtown Master Plan Workshop

Events

Saturday, September 29th
Market in the Park Picnic 1pm

Saturday, October 6th
City Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, October 6th
Pumpkins arrive at Methodist Church

Saturday, October 22nd
Ivy Hawn 5k and Fall Festival

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- PLDRC discussed the Joint Planning Agreement with DeLand on Monday, September 24th.
- Mayor Raisler, Attorney Simpson, City Planner Greg Beliveau (by phone) and I attended a meeting with DeLand for Joint Planning Agreement Discussion on Tuesday, September 25th. We should have a new draft next week.
- VGMC application should go out next week.

Capital Projects (FY 18/19)

- Michigan and Water Street CDBG Closeout
 - We submitted reimbursement request to CDBG on Tuesday, September 25th.

Lake Helen Villa Account Reconciliation

- Bids from Financial Professionals to perform the account reconciliation were received on Tuesday.
- Bruce, Integration Specialist from Ferguson Waterworks - Meter & Automation conducted a profile on Wednesday, September 26th.
- On Thursday, September 27th Mayor Raisler, Jason Lawrence and I met with the team at Lake Helen Villa. We will be meeting again next week and bringing forth a discussion at the meeting on October 11th.

Downtown Master Plan Workshop/Presentation

- PJ from East Central Florida Regional Planning Council will present the Downtown Master Plan on Thursday, November 1st. Please spread the word!

This Week: Volunteer Meeting for Fall Fest & Haunted House

Cub Scouts at American Legion Post 127



Saturday October



For more information Contact: City of Lake Helen Events
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PLDRC

- PLDRC on Monday, September 24th contained their organizational meeting. Joe Hammett will remain Chairman, Joy Taylor was appointed Vice Chair, and Stacy Eckert will remain Secretary.

Staff

- Lauren (City Hall) got engaged last weekend. She is starting to plan her Spring 2019 wedding!

City Finances

- Water Bills will be mailed October 1st.
- We are working with Florida Rural Water to present some options on rates at the October 11th Regular City Commission Meeting.
- Michael Wright has been in the office this week assisting with the close out of FY 17/18.

Building & Development

- Modular Home at 551 Forsythe Road was set on Monday, September 24th.

Ivy Hawn Bond

- Zoning verifications and street vacation verification reviews as well as parking and code requirements were completed on Wednesday, September 25th.
- They plan to print bond documents next week – we'll have a hard copy if you want to see it.

FEMA

- Waiting for the \$70,000 debris removal to be obligated to the State by FEMA.

Looking forward to next Regular Meeting on October 11th

Presentations, Proclamations and Resolutions:

- Happy Birthday Lake Helen – 140 Years
- My City – I'm Part of It, I'm Proud of It Resolution
- Catalyst Grant Award Presentation (\$1,500)
- Red Ribbon Week Proclamation
- Water Rate Options

Agreements

- City Arborist (we have been working with since March but need a formal agreement)
- Ariel Faith Historic Design Consultant and Pattern Book
- Task Orders for ECT: Tangerine Drainage, Lemon Avenue Water Line, Dirt Road Paving Projects
- Fireworks (to discuss)
- Selection of Financial Professional for Account Reconciliation (Villa Water Account)

Discussion/Consideration

- League of Cities Dinner in March 2019
- Workshop on October 25th
- Villa Water Bill Reconciliation and future

Please let me know as soon as possible if you have any items you would like added to the agenda



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