

VILLAGE HALL
500 NE 87TH ST
EL PORTAL, FL 33138
JASON M. WALKER
VILLAGE MANAGER



MAYOR CLAUDIA V. CUBILLOS
VICE MAYOR OMARR C. NICKERSON
COUNCILPERSON HAROLD E. MATHIS, JR.
COUNCILPERSON AUBREY BRUNSON
COUNCILPERSON ROXANNE ISAACS

Regular Village Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 25, 2016
Minutes
7:00 PM

Statement of Decorum

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A. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Mayor Nickerson, presiding, called the meeting for October 25, 2016 to order at 7:11pm.

B. SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE: Vice Mayor Nickerson asked all those present to stand for a pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

C. ROLL CALL: Vice Mayor Nickerson asked the Village Clerk, Yenise Jacobi, for a **Roll Call**.

Present: Vice Mayor Nickerson, Councilperson Harold Mathis, Councilperson Brunson. David A. Rosemond (Not voting), Joseph Geller Village Attorney (Not voting) Chief Eugene Morales (Not voting), and Yenise Jacobi, Village Clerk (Not voting).

Absent: Councilperson Roxanne Isaacs

Late: Mayor Claudia V. Cubillos

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Vice Mayor Nickerson asked for a motion to approve the agenda with correction **Motion:** A motion to approve the agenda **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Councilperson Mathis, **Seconded by** Councilperson Brunson. The motion passed by voice vote.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETING(S):

E1. Minutes for September 27th, Regular Council Meeting—Councilperson Mathis moved for approval of the minutes. Councilperson Brunson seconded the motion. **The motion carried by voice vote.**

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E2. Minutes for September 27th, Final Budget Hearing Meeting—Councilperson Mathis moved for approval of the minutes. Councilperson Isaacs seconded the motion. **The motion carried by voice vote.**

**F. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VISITORS AND/OR SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:
Councilperson Mathis presented the Proclamation for Educators**

G. AGENDA ITEM:

G1. County Resolution

G1a. Councilperson Mathis Jr. discussed that he would like to bring this resolution to El Portal, that it needed to be appropriately advertised and it was something to look into for the new council in the next council meeting to adopt.

G2. Escostrata Professional presentation

G2a. Roberto Ruano discussed that he would be doing research on websites and other relevant media for grants opportunities for the city, he will be at Public Meeting on Thursday for a State program for the development he estimates that a 50k grant would be needed for the nature trail to be repaired or replaced. The goal is that when the school approves the expansion to start immediately.

G2b. Adam Old – 140 NE 86th Street –I am a part of the tree committee, I saw the proposal and it seemed to be done last minutes and it should a nature trail not an exercise course, the plan should be looked at and plan for a space that it is going to last.

G3. FRS Discussion-

G3a. Irwin stated that the impact for the council to have FRS there would have to be an increase of the budget of 22k. For vesting would need to be 6 years.

G4. Village Clerk Contract

G4a. Will be moved until after the Committee Reports.

I. RESOLUTIONS/ORIDINANCES:

H2. CLERK JACOBI READ IT INTO THE RECORD

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-08 Second Reading

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF EL PORTAL, FLORIDA, TO CREATE A NEW CHAPTER IN THE VILLAGE OF EL PORTAL CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROHIBIT WITHIN THE GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES OF THE VILLAGE OF EL PORTAL THE USE OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER IDENTITY CHANGE EFFORTS WITH MINORS, INCLUDING REPARATIVE AND CONVERSION THERAPY; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

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H2A. Councilperson Brunson stated that he was not prepared or educated enough to vote on this ordinance.

Note: Councilperson Brunson motioned to move this Ordinance to the November 15th council meeting. Vice Mayor Nickerson second the motion. Motion passed by unanimous voice.

H2b. Vimari Roman- **112 NE 90th Street-** stated that how can you enforce this it is up to the parent of the child on how he or she would want to raise their children. That she wasn't a mother but she is certain that no one can tell her mother how to discipline her.

H2c. Adam Old-**140 NE 86th Street-** I am against the conversion therapy if anybody submits the report it would be against many medical and patient laws. The Ordinance must be done in a way in which it doesn't violate the HIPPA law.

H2d. **Councilperson Mathis, Jr.** stated that he will bring someone from SAVE to educate and discuss this Ordinance by the next council meeting.

J. REPORTS OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER, MAYOR & COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

J1. Village Mayor Reports - Mayor Claudia V. Cubillos

- Nature Trail
- Requesting up-to-date Financials by department

J2. Village Manager Reports – Manager David Rosemond

- Lights Out to report to the Administration and it will be fixed
- Tree City USA Grant
- Finishing the Financials for 2015
- Open Hall Night

J3. Committee Chair Remarks -

a. Public Affairs

Chairperson Claudia V. Cubillos

* Halloween, October 31st

* November – Turkey Giveaway

b. Public Works

Chairperson Omarr Nickerson – asked the residents to please report any light outage. He also encouraged the audience that early voting has begun.

c. Public Safety

Chairperson Aubrey Brunson – stated that it needs to be ensure that the police staff are doing their job well.

d. Code Enforcement Committee

Chairperson Harold Mathis- stated due to the Hurricane the Code Enforcement seminar was cancelled.

e. Planning & Zoning

Chairperson Claudia V. Cubillos discussed that we must be on track for the Form Base Code that something must be done for it to be at the next level

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while she respects the process of government this must not continue to keep dragging. It was resolved that by November 7th the Comp Plan was to be sent to the Village Clerk to forward to the Mayor & Village Council, and on November 14th for a Public Hearing to take place for discussion.

f. Administration & Finance

Chairperson Roxanne Isaacs- absent

Note : **G4.** Village Clerk Contract

Motion: A motion for Village Clerk's Contract **Moved** by Councilperson Mathis, Jr. and **Seconded** by Councilperson Brunson.

Vote: Motion carried by roll call vote of 4-0. (**Summary:** Yes=4, No = 0).

No: None. **Yes:** Councilperson Brunson, Councilperson Mathis, Vice Mayor Nickerson and Mayor Cubillos. **Absent:** Councilperson Isaacs

J4. Village Attorney Reports - Attorney Joseph Geller

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS:

L. NEW BUSINESS: None.

M. GOOD AND WELFARE: None.

N. ADJOURNMENT: Councilperson Mathis, Jr. motioned that the Regular Village Council meeting for October 25, 2016 be adjourned. Councilperson Brunson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:39pm.

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