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**CITY OF TAVARES
MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 2010
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT

ABSENT

Robert Wolfe, Mayor
Lori Pfister, Vice Mayor
Bob Grenier, Councilmember
Sandy Gamble, Councilmember
Kirby Smith, Councilmember

STAFF PRESENT

John Drury, City Administrator
Bob Williams, City Attorney
Nancy Barnett, City Clerk
Bill Neron, Economic Development Director
Lori Tucker, Human Resources Director
Lori Houghton, Finance Director
Chief Lubins, Police Department
Jacques Skutt, Director of Community Development
Chief Richard Keith, Fire Department
Chris Thompson, Interim Public Works Director
Tamera Rogers, Director of Community Services
Brad Hayes, Director of Utilities

I CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wolfe called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chaplain Carlos Colon gave the invocation and those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1 Mr. Drury stated he would like to add under New Business, Tavares High School Year
2 Book Donation request.

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4 **MOTION**

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6 **Sandy Gamble moved for approval of the Agenda as presented with the addition
7 of the Tavares High School Yearbook donation request, seconded by Bob
8 Grenier. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0.**

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10 **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 21, 2010, August 4, 2010, and August 18, 2010**

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12 **MOTION**

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14 **Lori Pfister moved for approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2010 City Council
15 Regular Meeting, seconded by Sandy Gamble. The motion carried unanimously
16 5-0.**

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18 **Lori Pfister moved for approval of the minutes of the August 4, 2010 City Council
19 Regular Meeting, seconded by Sandy Gamble. The motion carried unanimously 5-
20 0.**

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22 **Lori Pfister moved for approval of the minutes of the August 18, 2010 City Council
23 Regular Meeting, seconded by Sandy Gamble. The motion carried unanimously 5-
24 0.**

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26 **V. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

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28 **Tab 2) Tavares Alert**

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30 Ms. Ross stated that Council had approved the contract with Blackboard Connect
31 earlier in the year to provide the mass notification service. She noted the service had
32 been renamed “Tavares Alert” and the Blackboard Connect service will allow the city to
33 communicate with its citizens 24 hours a day, seven days a week utilizing landlines, cell
34 phones, text messaging and email. She said the broadcast can be configured to specific
35 groups. She stated a policy has been developed by a staff committee which has been
36 included in the agenda packet. The policy sets guidelines for sending messages and
37 assures that the citizens receives the appropriate messages in the appropriate manner.
38 She said there are two categories of messages: priority notifications for emergencies
39 and outreach messages. She discussed how the system would be publicized to the

1 citizens and the options for data that can be entered. She said the system should be
2 launched within seven days of Council approving the policy.

3
4 Mayor Wolfe asked if anyone in the audience had comments. He expressed
5 appreciation to Ms. Ross for her work on this project.

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7 **MOTION**

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9 **Kirby Smith moved to approve the Tavares Alert notification system, seconded by**
10 **Sandy Gamble. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

11
12 **Tab 3) Proclamation for Blood Bank Awareness**

13
14 Mayor Wolfe read a proclamation designating November as “Be a Hero Month” in
15 support of Florida’s Blood Bank Centers.

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17 **VI) SWEARING IN BY CITY ATTORNEY AND DISCLOSURE OF EXPARTE**
18 **CONTACTS**

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20 Attorney Williams swore in those who wished to give testimony on Resolution #2010-11.
21 He asked Council if they wished to disclose ex-parte contacts.

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23 **VII. CONSENT AGENDA**

24
25 Mayor Wolfe asked if anyone in the audience wished to oppose the Notice of Intent for
26 the Stormwater USDA project.

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28 **MOTION**

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30 **Bob Grenier moved to approve the Consent Agenda [Notice of Intent for**
31 **Stormwater USDA Project], seconded by Sandy Gamble. The motion carried**
32 **unanimously 5-0.**

33
34 **VIII) READING OF ALL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS INTO THE RECORD**

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36 Ms. Barnett read the resolutions by title only:

37
38 **RESOLUTION 2010-11**

1 Mr. Skutt noted the Planning & Zoning Board had voted unanimously to recommend the
2 variance.

3
4 Mayor Wolfe asked if Council had questions or if the audience had comments.
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6 **MOTION**

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8 **Bob Grenier moved to approve Resolution #2010-11, seconded by Sandy Gamble.**
9 **The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

10
11 **Tab 6) Resolution #2010-12 – Declaring Sister City with Xindian, Taiwan**

12
13 Mr. Drury stated this item is before Council in order to discuss the Sister City program
14 with Xindian in Taiwan. He reviewed the information presented at the May 19, 2010
15 meeting. He noted Council had indicated support and requested more information. He
16 stated that since that meeting the Director General in Miami has been promoted to the
17 Taiwan Ambassador for St. Kitts in the Caribbean Islands. His promotion along with
18 some changes in geographic lines in Taiwan caused some delay in reporting back from
19 May 19th to this time.

20
21 Mr. Drury reviewed the city's history with the Taiwanese government through the annual
22 dragonboat racing event at Wooton Park which is put on by the Tavares Rotary Club.
23 He said the Taiwanese government has extended an offer for the City of Xindian to
24 become a Sister City with Tavares. He said he had included general information about
25 Taiwan, Taipei, and Xindian in the agenda packet.

26
27 Mr. Drury said should the City decide to become a Sister City, the Taiwanese
28 government has also invited the mayor and mayor's spouse to visit Xindian and its
29 government officials for seven days. He said the Taiwanese government would pay for
30 the hotel accommodations and meals while visiting the country. Tavares would be
31 expected to pay the airfare and travel costs which is estimated at around \$4,226.00 (a
32 detail of all costs was presented).

33
34 Mr. Drury said that Sister Cities International (an association that promotes Sister City
35 relationships) states that the purpose of having official relationships with other nations is
36 to learn more about one another and to develop friendly and meaningful exchanges. He
37 discussed some of the reasons for supporting the relationship including possible
38 economic benefits. He pointed out that Taiwan has established a historic site honoring
39 its Seaplane base established in 1931. He said the new seaplane manufacturing facility
40 in Tavares has a presence in China.

1
2 Staff recommended approval of the resolution and authorization of the funds to allow
3 the mayor and his spouse to travel to Xindian to present the resolution should it be
4 approved.

5
6 Mayor Wolfe asked for comment from the audience.

7
8 Rick Gonzales

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10 Mr. Gonzales spoke in support of the resolution and discussed economic benefits of the
11 Sister City program he had observed in other cities he had lived in.

12
13 Betty Burleigh

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15 Ms. Burleigh suggested that the City approach the Rotary to assist in funding.

16
17 Rick Gonzales

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19 Mr. Gonzales said he was a member of Rotary and although he was not present as an
20 official representative, he was aware that the Rotary grant funds are earmarked for
21 youth scholarships.

22
23 Charlotte Hope

24
25 Ms. Hope spoke in favor of the Sister City program. She said she understood the issues
26 with the budget but that Council should be very careful about matters of protocol with
27 foreign governments. She cautioned the Council on who should be sent.

28
29 Council Discussion

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31 There was consensus of the approval of the Sister City relationship with Xindian.
32 Council expressed some differing viewpoints on whether or not to fund the trip because
33 of budgetary concerns.

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35 **MOTION**

36
37 **Lori Pfister moved to approve the Sister City with Xindian Resolution but not**
38 **authorize the expenditure of up to \$4,500 to fly the Mayor and his spouse to**
39 **Taiwan, at this time, to present the Sister City resolution. The motion was**
40 **seconded by Sandy Gamble.**

1
2 Councilmember Smith said he thought it would not be a good idea to approve the Sister
3 City resolution but not allow the Mayor to present the resolution.

4
5 Discussion followed on the past use of the travel and per diem budget.

6
7 **The motion was denied 3-2 as follows:**

8
9 **Robert Wolfe** **No**
10 **Lori Pfister** **Yes**
11 **Sandy Gamble** **Yes**
12 **Bob Grenier** **No**
13 **Kirby Smith** **No**

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15 **MOTION**

16
17 **Kirby Smith moved to approve the Sister City with Xindian Resolution and**
18 **authorize the expenditure of up to \$4,500 to fly the Mayor and his spouse to**
19 **Taiwan to present the Sister City resolution. The motion was seconded by Bob**
20 **Grenier.**

21
22 Discussion followed with some opinions reiterated about the importance of sending the
23 mayor with other concerns expressed regarding the budgetary restrictions being faced
24 by the city. Vice Mayor Pfister expressed concern about who should be sent to
25 represent the City, suggesting the City Administrator or the Economic Development
26 Director would be appropriate.

27
28 **The motion carried 3-2 as follows:**

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30 **Robert Wolfe** **Yes**
31 **Lori Pfister** **No**
32 **Sandy Gamble** **No**
33 **Bob Grenier** **Yes**
34 **Kirby Smith** **Yes**

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36 **X. GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

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38 **Tab 7) Official Naming of Pavilion**

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1 Mayor Wolfe recognized Betty Coven Wilcox whose father, Leo Coven built the first
2 pavilion in 1912. He thanked Ms. Wilcox for attending and supporting the pavilion
3 project.
4

5 Joyce Ross presented the following report:
6

7 *The city is currently moving forward with the construction of a pier and pavilion which*
8 *will extend over Lake Dora in Wooton Park. When completed, the facility will be a*
9 *center for events, weddings and conferences, which will draw thousands of visitors to*
10 *the downtown entertainment district each year.*
11

12 *As we proceed through the design and bidding process this project will be brought to*
13 *the attention of hundreds of people via blueprints, bid documents and construction*
14 *signs. Once the City breaks ground, the construction will be viewed by thousands*
15 *more. As the walls go up and the building takes shape, the project may appear in*
16 *media coverage, as a backdrop for various activities in the park, and will be discussed*
17 *by visitors, residents and the business community. Therefore, it is important that the*
18 *City consider officially naming the project now so that we can begin the branding*
19 *process and build name recognition. By cultivating this positive energy we can begin*
20 *marketing the facility well in advance of opening day.*
21

22 *Informal polling of the community and City staff resulted in a variety of*
23 *recommendations centered upon the waterfront theme, the city name, or the intended*
24 *usage of the facility. The Council may consider one of these suggestions or look for an*
25 *alternative.*
26

27 *Suggested names for the new pavilion are:*
28

- 29 • *Tavares Pavilion*
- 30 • *Wooton Park Pavilion*
- 31 • *Pavilion on the Lake*
- 32 • *The Pavilion*
- 33 • *The Pavilion at Wooton Park*
- 34 • *Tavares Pier & Pavilion on the Waterfront*
- 35 • *Tavares Event Center—Waterside*
- 36 • *Tavares Waterside Event Center*
- 37 • *Waterside Pavilion in Tavares*
- 38 • *“Reflections” on the Pier*
- 39 • *The Pavilion on the Pier*
- 40 • *Tavares Pier & Pavilion*

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2 Mayor Wolfe asked for comments from Council.

3
4 Councilmember Smith said he has spoken to members of the Historical Society and he
5 believed the original name was the “Tavares Pavilion”. Councilmember Grenier
6 concurred; he suggested “Tavares Pavilion on the Lake.”

7
8 Mayor Wolfe asked for comment from the audience.

9
10 Betty Burleigh, 214 North New Hampshire Avenue

11
12 Ms. Burleigh said this is a historic replica and it was known as the “The Pavilion.” She
13 said “Tavares Pavilion” would be acceptable but it should not include other descriptions.

14
15 Linda Spencer, Artist

16
17 Ms. Spencer said she thought a longer name would be preferable; she recommended
18 “Tavares Pier and Pavilion on the Lake” or “on Lake Dora.”

19
20 Councilmember Grenier said he did not want the name “Dora” included.

21
22 Councilmember Drury noted that Council had decided early on to make any historical
23 structure that is replicated to be economically viable.

24
25 Councilmember Smith said he believed that no matter what name is chosen, the local
26 people will call it “The Pavilion” but that to have a more recognizable name would be
27 helpful for visitors and marketability.

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29 Vice Mayor Pfister said she though the pier aspect was very significant and that it
30 should be included in the name.

31
32 Bob Blais, Architect for the Pavilion

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34 Mr. Blais said it is anticipated that the project will be completed on the centennial of the
35 previous pavilion, so perhaps it could be “Tavares Centennial Pavilion on the Lake.”

36
37 Councilmember Smith asked Ms. Ross her professional opinion on what would be the
38 most marketable. Ms. Ross said “Tavares” needed to be included however since the
39 intent is to have weddings, some names with a romantic element were included. She

1 said she thought “Tavares Pavilion on the Lake” would be good or the “Waterside
2 pavilion in Tavares.”

3
4 Councilmember Pfister reiterated that she thought the differentiation on the pier was
5 important.

6
7 Mr. Drury said piers are often associated with fishing and that he thought either the
8 “Tavares Pavilion on the Lake” or the “Pier and Pavilion on the Lake”, would assist in
9 marketing that it is not just a fishing pier.

10
11 Bill Stomp, Tavares

12
13 Mr. Stomp commented on the various suggestions that had been made. He said by
14 including the word “pier” the first thing that came to his mind was a fishing pier. He said
15 “waterfront” meant to him an area where boats would dock. He suggested to keep it
16 short enough to be easy to remember and recommended “Tavares Pavilion on the
17 Lake.”

18
19 Councilmember Gamble asked if the city was going to ban fishing from the pier.

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21 **MOTION**

22
23 **Kirby Smith moved to approve the name “Tavares Pavilion on the Lake”**
24 **seconded by Bob Grenier. The motion carried 4-1 as follows:**

25
26 **Robert Wolfe Yes**
27 **Kirby Smith Yes**
28 **Bob Grenier Yes**
29 **Sandy Gamble Yes**
30 **Lori Pfister No**

31
32 **Tab 8) Approval of Contract with BESH Engineering for Design and Engineering**
33 **of the Alfred Street Widening and One Way Pair**

34
35 Mr. Skutt presented the following report:

36
37 *On March 8th, City Council selected BESH Engineering as the top ranked firm to*
38 *perform this design project. City and County staff negotiated a scope of work with BESH*
39 *that resulted in a proposed contract valued at \$566,196.68. This includes roadway*
40 *design and analysis, drainage analysis, utility coordination, environmental permitting,*

1 *surveying and mapping, geotechnical investigation, street lighting design, public*
2 *meetings and reimbursables. Through an amended interlocal agreement with Lake*
3 *County, the County has agreed to pay \$565,196.68 to fund this contract through their*
4 *transportation impact program. The \$1,000 discrepancy is a result of a typing error on*
5 *the agenda item that was submitted to the County Commission for approval. The*
6 *agreement allows the City to negotiate change orders up to \$50,000. If approved, the*
7 *design contract with BESH will be executed and the work on this project will begin.*
8 *Landscaping, irrigation and streetscape design, although an integral part of the original*
9 *RFQ, are not part of this contract since these costs are not covered by the County's*
10 *transportation impact program. Contracts for these designs will be awarded as funding*
11 *becomes available.*

12
13 Councilmember Gamble asked Mr. Ern if the architect for the public safety complex is
14 aware of the Alfred Street design. Mr. Ern confirmed.

15
16 Mayor Wolfe asked if the audience had comments.

17
18 **MOTION**

19
20 **Sandy Gamble moved to approve Option 1, the proposed contract with BESH**
21 **Engineering for the engineering and design of the Alfred Street One Way Pair**
22 **project and authorize the City Administrator to execute the contact attached,**
23 **seconded by Bob Grenier. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

24
25 **Tab 9) Request for Qualifications to Design and Construct the Pavilion**

26
27 Ms. Rogers clarified that the item should be called Request for Proposals and not
28 Request for Qualifications. She then presented the following report:

29
30 *Oftentimes governmental capital projects utilize the Design-Bid-Build method of*
31 *construction and the order of procuring the construction services is thusly:*

- 32
33 1) *Design*
34 2) *Solicitation for Bids*
35 3) *Selection of lowest most responsive bid*
36 4) *Construct*
37 5) *COMMON RESULTS: project costs can be higher than original bid due to*
38 *change orders. Quality of products and services needs constant monitoring as*
39 *this is a low bid methodology. Builder/contractor cannot provide valuable input*

1 *during design, including value engineering with potentially cost savings*
2 *suggestions.*

3
4 *Other methods of construction services for governmental projects do exist including the*
5 *Construction Manager at Risk method.*

6
7 *For the pavilion project, staff and Pavilion Architect Bob Blaise are recommending that*
8 *the city utilize the “Construction Manager at Risk” method of procuring construction*
9 *services for this project which provides the following:*

- 10
11 1) *Select a contractor prior to designing the project. The selected contractor is at*
12 *the design table from the beginning, providing input that speaks to the practicality*
13 *of design and its ability to fall within the budget.*
14
15 2) *Contractor establishes a control budget at 30% of design and evaluates the*
16 *control budget at 60% and then fixes a guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP), which*
17 *is the maximum cost to build.*
18
19 3) *Contractor selects the most qualified (not necessarily the lowest price, but best*
20 *quality) sub-contractors for the various trades, with the input of the design team*
21 *and the City. City has right to approve all subcontractors and materials vendors.*
22
23 4) *Contractor serves as the Construction Manager and is incentivized to stay on*
24 *budget because the budget is established at the beginning (similar to a “not to*
25 *exceed”). Contractor stands to make incentive bonus if project comes in on time*
26 *and under budget.*
27
28 5) *Contractor provides “Open Book” accounting of all aspects of the project for the*
29 *city utilizing the City’s tax exempt status to purchase materials thereby saving*
30 *approximately 3.5% of the project cost.*
31
32 6) *COMMON RESULTS: Quality project that comes in on budget and on time*
33 *without the Contractor attempting to make additional monies via change orders.*

34
35 Ms. Rogers stated that staff recommendation was Option 2.

36
37 Mayor Wolfe asked what would happen if the project does not come in on time and is
38 over budget.

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1 Mr. Drury said if the contingency is out of funds at the end of the project, the “at risk”
2 component kicks in and it would be a loss to the contractor. He said if it is under budget
3 the city receives the difference.
4

5 Councilmember Grenier asked Mr. Blais to comment. Mr. Blais said he has had better
6 success with projects in this format because it gives the opportunity to include the
7 contractor on the team during design. Councilmember Smith asked if he has found the
8 quality better in this process. Mr. Blais discussed his experience with cost savings. Mr.
9 Drury noted three quotes will still be received for specific areas such as plumbing,
10 however, this allows for the option to take qualified contractors in the area and then get
11 the best price. Councilmember Gamble noted that the School Board has used this
12 process successfully for several years.
13

14 Councilmember Gamble asked if Council approves option 2, would the city be restricted
15 to using this type of procedure.
16

17 Mr. Drury answered that he envisioned the city using this procedure on very large
18 complicated construction projects; standard projects would be design, bid, and build.
19 The recommendation would be for Council to go through the selection process for a
20 construction management at Risk Company and advertise that it is good for five years
21 (which meets the Competitive Consultants Negotiations Act required by the State of
22 Florida). Every project would be evaluated and staff would ask Council if they wished to
23 use the construction management at risk process for that specific project. Staff would
24 recommend the company that was previously selected be used if Council is satisfied
25 with them. This gives the option to use the firm without going through the 90 day
26 selection process each time but it does not restrict the City to this process.
27

28 Mayor Wolfe asked for comment from the audience.
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30 **MOTION**

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32 **Sandy Gamble moved to approve Option 2 – allow the staff to advertise for the**
33 **RFP for a construction manager at risk for the pier and pavilion project and any**
34 **other project the city deems appropriate and advantageous including but not**
35 **limited to the Public Safety Complex, amphitheater if it passes in November, etc.**
36 **The motion was seconded by Kirby Smith. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**
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38 **Tab 10) Alleyway Signs – Approval of Final Graphics for Sign Faces**

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1 Mr. Skutt stated that on June 2nd, Council approved and assigned names to the City's
2 downtown alleyways. The alleyways were named after famous seaplane aviators and
3 after pioneering families that have made a historical impact on Tavares. On July 21st,
4 Council approved alleyway signs with white, bold lettering on a blue background. The
5 signs are to be mounted on a decorative black sign pole. Council discussed placing our
6 city logo on the upper left face of the sign. He showed the proofs for Council approval.

7
8 CTI Signs has provided three proposed designs for the alleyway sign faces. Staff is
9 seeking Council's final recommendation on the graphics that they still prefer the design
10 on the right with the city logo.

11
12 Mayor Wolfe asked for comment from the audience.

13
14 Bill Stomp, 5892 Britannia Blvd.

15
16 Mr. Stomp said he believed the signs on the right were supposed to have the Seaplane
17 City logo not the word "Tavares."

18
19 Councilmember Smith stated he thought the signs on the right did show the logo.

20
21 Mr. Drury asked for clarification on whether Council wanted the logo.

22
23 Councilmember Smith agreed. Councilmember Gamble suggested the font on the
24 name of the alley be smaller and enlarge the logo area. Mr. Drury noted the branding
25 manual has information on the font and font size and staff will ensure the graphic is
26 consistent and will do the best to make the logo recognizable.

27
28 Linda Spencer

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30 Ms. Spencer said it was not necessary to say "Alleyway" just "Alley" which would allow
31 more room on the sign.

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33 **MOTION**

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35 **Sandy Gamble moved to approve the signs on the right absent of "way" after**
36 **alley and with the intent if possible to enlarge the logo, and keep the font the**
37 **same size. The motion was seconded by Kirby Smith. The motion carried**
38 **unanimously 5-0.**

39
40 **Tab 11) Tavares Celebration of Art Event**

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2 Ms. Rogers said she has received a proposal from Christina Smith and Sydra
3 Nightingale to bring a fine arts festival to Tavares. She said she had included their
4 proposal in the agenda packet. The event would be January 21-23, 2011. She said their
5 preferred weekend is the last weekend in January but an event has already been
6 scheduled for that date. She said in 2012 the event would move to that weekend. She
7 explained that the artists are traveling throughout the state and this would provide an
8 opportunity for out of state artists. The city's contribution would police, fire, EMS, waste
9 management and some volunteers. She said Mr. Neron has agreed to provide \$500
10 from his budget for advertising.

11
12 Ms. Smith thanked Ms. Rogers for her assistance. She said she has worked with Ms.
13 Nightingale for 12 years on event planning. Ms. Smith discussed the marketing
14 opportunities for the city. She said they would complete a Hold Harmless agreement.
15 She said they would provide the music and specialty foods. She said it will be an
16 invitational, juried based show. They expect 30,000 people to attend the event.

17
18 Colleen McGinley, Tavares Chamber

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20 Ms. McGinley spoke in support of the event.

21
22 Rick Gonzales

23
24 Mr. Gonzales spoke in support of the event.

25
26 Vice Mayor Pfister asked if there was any conflict with Mt. Dora events.

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28 Ms. Nightingale said there is no conflict with dates in other cities.

29
30 Vice Mayor Pfister expressed concerns over whether the event would be in competition
31 with Mt. Dora and if the organizers had any conflicts. Ms. Nightingale said there may be
32 some of the same artists, particularly the internationally award winning artists. She said
33 this festival will be unique for Tavares. Ms. Nightingale said there would be no conflict of
34 interest.

35
36 Councilmember Smith asked how it fit in with other events scheduled. Mr. Neron stated
37 in January is the Bass Pro event and this will be the second event in January. The only
38 event in February is the African American Festival.

39
40 **MOTION**

1 Mr. Drury said the Tavares High School Year Book staff had requested a \$300 donation
2 in exchange for a full page ad in the 2011 yearbook. He suggested Council consider a
3 half page ad at \$75.00 since it was not in the budget and to tie it in with the city's
4 seaplane theme.

5
6 Councilmember Smith asked if it could be taken out of the public relations budget. He
7 asked Ms. Ross for her opinion. Ms. Ross concurred that it was a good idea, but said
8 she did not have the money in her budget.

9
10 Councilmember Gamble said if the \$300 ad was purchased it would provide more room
11 for photos, etc.

12
13 Mr. Drury commented on the longevity of yearbooks.

14
15 Betty Coven Wilcox, resident

16 .
17 Ms. Wilcox said she wished to say how proud and excited she is about the Tavares
18 pavilion.

19
20 **Consensus to purchase the full page ad. Mayor Wolfe offered to donate the**
21 **amount needed to make it a full page ad.**

22
23 **XIV. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD**

24
25 **Betty Burleigh**

26
27 Ms. Burleigh thanked the staff for adjusting the air conditioning in the council chambers.

28
29 **Charlotte Hope**

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31 Ms. Hope said there is a huge banner in Leesburg that says "Leesburg – America's
32 Real Plane City."

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34 **XV. REPORTS**

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36 **Tab 12) City Administrator**

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38 Mr. Drury said he had no report other than the meetings listed.

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40 **Finance Director**

1
2 Ms. Houghton stated the the Finance Department is working on getting Council copies
3 of the final budget and wished everyone a happy (fiscal) new year.
4

5 **Community Services**
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7 Ms. Rogers asked everyone to note that October 23rd will be the opening of the dog
8 park and the Harvest Moon on the Lake Dora Bayou event.
9

10 **Public Works**
11

12 Mr. Thompson said that a public meeting was held on September 28th regarding
13 connecting Willow and Colerain Avenue. He said everyone at the meeting was
14 opposed. He asked for Council direction.
15

16 Councilmember Gamble said that the people that had approached him originally have
17 changed their mind.
18

19 Mr. Drury said that the residents appreciated Councilmember Gamble making the
20 recommendation to have the meeting at the Ingraham Center in the evening and
21 appreciated his outreach to the citizens.
22

23 **Human Resources**
24

25 Ms. Tucker thanked Council for the proclamation regarding the Blood Drive.
26

27 **Tab 13) City Council**
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29 **Vice Mayor Pfister**
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31 None.
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33 **Councilmember Gamble**
34

- 35 • Apologized to Mr. Thompson for questioning the sidewalk width at the last
36 meeting. He noted they are four feet and that Mr. Thompson had confirmed that
37 as well immediately after the meeting.
38
- 39 • Asked for verification of the date of the Crappie Master tournament. Mr. Neron
40 responded that is the last weekend in January.

- 1 • Said he has received comments when the water from irrigation is going on the
2 median on SR 19.
- 3 • Said recently when there was an electrical outage at Main Street and SR 19 he
4 had called the city and the Police responded quickly and he appreciated that.
- 5 • Commented on the baseball with the city logo and thanked Ms. Rogers

6
7 **Councilmember Grenier**
8

- 9 • Stated he appreciated everyone's patience with his love of history
- 10 • Expressed appreciation for Ms. Wilcox's attendance and her support of the
11 pavilion
- 12 • Stated he appreciated Mr. Thompson's report on the Colerain meeting

13
14 **Councilmember Smith**
15

- 16 • Spoke to a citizen who complimented Mike Fitzgerald at the Planning & Zoning
17 Board meeting and said he was very helpful
- 18 • Complimented John Rumble on fixing the sound in the council chambers
- 19 • Asked if the baseballs with the city logo could be sold in the Prop Shop

20
21 **Mayor Wolfe**
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- 23 • Asked the Chief to comment on the traffic laws when the power is out

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25 Chief Lubins stated that when approaching an intersection and the lights are all out it
26 should be treated as a four way stop.

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28 **Adjournment**
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30 There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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32 Respectfully submitted,
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36 Nancy A. Barnett, C.M.C.
37 City Clerk