**MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**MADISON, FLORIDA**

**APRIL 11, 2023**

The City Commission met in a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall. Commissioner Rayne Cooks (District 1), Mayor/Commissioner Ina Thompson (District 2), Commissioner Jim Catron (District 3), Commissioner Byron Poore (District 4), and Commissioner Judy Townsend (District 5) were present.

City staff present were: Jerome Wyche-City Manager, Lee Anne Hall-City Clerk, Clay Schnitker-City Attorney, Tyrone Edwards-Police Captain, Chris Cooks-Police Lieutenant , Mark Joost-Police Sergeant, Bruce Jordan-Fire Chief, and Mary Graham-Director of Community Development.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

During Citizens’ Participation:

● Alice Smith and Billy Margraves reported on the community efforts to upgrade the appearance of Four Freedoms Park.

● MCDC Executive Director, Doug Brown, briefed the Commission on current economic development projects.

● Katie Young requested consideration of speed bumps on Orange Avenue.

● Serraya Robinson reported that her shoe drive community project had been very successful and thanked the commissioners and city for their support.

● Haggai Vardi discussed southern hospitality.

Commissioner Cooks moved to adopt the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Catron. Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Townsend moved to adopt the consent agenda: (a) Minutes of March 14, 2023 Regular City Commission Meeting, (b) Department Head Reports, and (c) Finance Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Poore and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to have proposed Ordinance No. 2023-1 read by title only; seconded by Commissioner Cooks. Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Poore moved to adopt, on first reading, proposed Ordinance No. 2023-1 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADISON, FLORIDA REGULATING AND PROHIBITING THE EMISSION OF HARMFUL NOISE; DECLARING SUCH NOISES TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, COMFORT, CONVENIENCE, SAFETY, WELFARE AND PROSPERITY OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF MADISON; ESTABLISHING AND DEFINING CERTAIN TERMS; ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL CIVIL REMEDIES AND CITATIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooks and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Townsend moved to make the following appointments: Mark Colvin as a member of the Planning and Zoning Board for a term ending May, 2026, Glenda McCall as a member of the Planning and Zoning Board for a term ending May, 2027, Jamie Davis as a member of the Code Enforcement Board for a term ending May, 2025, Barry Barnhart as a member of the Code Enforcement Board for a term ending May, 2026, and Barbara Funk and Robert Wieland as members of the Code Enforcement Board for a term ending May, 2027. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooks and passed 5-0.

Attorney Tommy Reeves discussed proposed new documents concerning the old Madison County Sanitary Landfill Site and the remediation of the environmental contamination thereon. He stated that a special joint meeting of the Board of County Commissioners and the City Commissioners is scheduled for May 3, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. to possibly act upon these proposed new documents.

Commissioner Townsend moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the lease agreements between RDK Assets, Inc. and the City of Madison for (1) 2023 Freightliner M2106 Rear Loader and (2) 2023 Freightliner M2106 Grapples. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Catron and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Catron moved to award the bid for the Acer Street Stormwater Improvements Project to the lowest bidder, C. M. Brandies, Inc./Communication Contractors, LLC for $30,000.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Poore and passed 5-0.

Engineer David Bolam discussed the construction bid results for Critical Water System Improvement Project Part A – Public Services Building. He advised that a single bid was received from SGS Contracting in the amount of $3,489,700.00 and had been negotiated down to $2,587,000.00. It was the consensus to direct Mr. Bolam to continue to negotiate with the contractor to get within the budgeted price.

Commissioner Townsend moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute proposed Task Order 6 with Saltus Engineering, Inc. in the amount of $150,000.00 for technical services during construction of the Critical Water System Improvement Projects. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Catron and passed 5-0.

The City Manager was directed to prepare a plan of action concerning Code Enforcement for the Commissions’ consideration at the June 11, 2023 meeting.

The City Manager’s Report was accepted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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ATTEST: Ina Thompson, Mayor/Commissioner

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Lee Anne Hall, City Clerk