

Commission Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2022
5:30 pm

Vice Mayor Danny Nugent said before we begin the official meeting of the Starke City Commission, there will be a time of voluntary prayer. Those willing to do so are asked to stand and Commissioner Waters will lead us in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Mayor Nugent called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

This meeting was the second regular meeting of the month. Members attending included Vice Mayor Danny Nugent, Commissioner Shannon Smith and Commissioner Wilbur Waters. Also present were City Clerk Jimmy Crosby, Deputy Clerk Lisa Heeder, Police Chief Jeff Johnson, City Attorney Clay Martin and City Manager Drew Mullins. Mayor Janice D. Mortimer and Commissioner Scott Roberts were absent.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for agenda changes. There were none. Vice Mayor Nugent entertained a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Waters made a motion. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion passed 3-0.

Vice Mayor Nugent entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda. The consent agenda consisted of the minutes of the June 7, 2022 Commission Meeting, Resolution Number 2022-32 amendment to the traffic signal maintenance and compensation agreement and the commissioner bill review. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the consent agenda. It was seconded by Commissioner Waters. The motion passed 3-0.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for emergency items. There were none.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for old business. There was none.

Vice Mayor Nugent read the statement for citizen requests "The City of Starke welcomes you to this meeting. This time is set aside for our citizens and general public to address the city commission. This is not a question or answer time. It is not a political forum, nor is it a time for personal accusations or derogatory remarks to or about city personnel. If you would like to address the commission, please complete a form, come to the podium when you are called, speak into the microphone and state your name and address for the record. Please also limit your comments to not more than 3 minutes. Your participation is welcomed." There was none.

Vice Mayor Nugent called for public hearings. Attorney Martin read the description for the project for the application to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for one or more Community Development Block Grants. Grant Administrator Andy Easton said this is a Federal Grant that goes to the State on an annual grant cycle. Vice Mayor Nugent asked about grants for the Southgate Subdivision for fire hydrants. Mr. Easton said these are low-income grants.

Drew Mullins asked about ARA money. Commissioner Smith asked for a break-down of what was received and how it has been spent. Clerk Crosby said he will have an update on ARA and the budget. Attorney Martin read the title of Resolution Number 2022-33 authorizing the Mayor to make application to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for approval of the Community Development Block Grant. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2022-33. It was seconded by Commissioner Waters. The motion passed 3-0. Attorney Martin read the title of Resolution Number 2022-34 authorizing city funds to be used as local match for the Community Development Block Grant Neighborhood Revitalization Grant Application. Commissioner Smith Made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2022-34. It was seconded by Commissioner Waters.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for the City Clerk report. Clerk Crosby had nothing.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for the City Manager report. Mr. Mullins addressed Resolution Number 2022-35 agreement with Inspection Solutions for Building and Zoning Regulations and Enforcement. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2022-35. It was seconded by Commissioner Waters. The motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Mullins addressed Resolution Number 2022-36 State Revolving Fund Construction Loan Agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2022-36. It was seconded by Commissioner Waters. The motion passed 3-0.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for the Police Chief report. Chief Johnson addressed the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 State Financial Assistance Funding Application. He said they received approval to move ahead with the project and everything is good except the availability of the generator. Vice Mayor Nugent entertained a motion. Commissioner Waters made a motion. It was seconded by Commissioner Smith. The motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Smith asked about the noise ordinance. Chief Johnson said they are working on citations.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked for the attorney report. Attorney Martin said there are notebooks with information for the July 5, 2022 Commission Workshop. Vice Mayor Nugent said he would like to see the State Policy. Attorney Martin said he will provide the State Statute.

Commissioner Smith had nothing further.

Commissioner Waters had nothing further.

Vice Mayor Nugent asked Mr. Mullins about signs that need to be replaced. Mr. Mullins said some have been fixed and they are continuing to work on others. Vice Mayor Nugent asked for them to be ready for upcoming events.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 pm.