



TOWN OF WHITE SPRINGS
“On the Banks of the Suwannee River”

AGENDA

WHITE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Council Meeting

Town Hall Council Chambers

Tuesday, March 8, 2022

6:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order, Invocation, and Pledge Allegiance to Flag** – Mayor Rivers call the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Town Clerk, Ruise led the invocation and the council led the pledge.

- 2. Roll Call** – Mayor Rivers called the roll: Council members LaRita McCallum, Mary Williams present. Mayor River and Vice-Mayor N. Williams present. Council member J. Williams and Attorney Foreman absent

- 3. Additions, Deletions, and/or Amendments to the Agenda** – Item 8. New Business to add 8. A. May Day Update by Vice Mayor Nicole Williams. Motion by Vice-Mayor Williams and seconded by Council member Mary Berry. Motion passed 4-0.

- 4. Citizens from the floor:** (Request form needed - 5min. limit)
 1. Ashley Bryant announced that she was sponsoring a Kid’s Fun Day for Pre-Easter in Ogburn Field from 1pm to 5pm. She may need electrical hook-up but will advise the town if needed.

- 5. Presentations** - None

6. Consent Docket:

Approval of Minutes:

March 8, 2022 – Town Hall Meeting – Motion made to accept the minutes by Vice-Mayor Williams and seconded by Council member LaRita McCallum. Motion passed 4-0.

7. Old Business

- a) **Update on Wild Azalea Festival (Festival Date Mar. 18-19, 2022)** – Mayor Rivers invited the community once again to the festival and flyers were available on the table.
- b) **Update Town Surplus Sale Date** – Mayor Rivers called out some of the items on the list for surplus. The Town will hold off on surplus to any town owned “real property” until the town hears from the Town Attorney Foreman on the process. Town Manger George stated that the list was not ready to be viewed by the public until the process is complete and approved by the council.

8. New Business

1. **May Day – Nicole Williams** – Dates for May Day this year will be May 20th to May 22nd (Friday-Saturday-Sunday). More details to follow by Mr. LeRoy Byrden and his committee at the next meeting.

9. Departmental/Administrative Comments

a) **Public** - None

b) **Departments:**

Town Manager – Town manger George stated that she had applied for several grants through Suwannee Rural Management in up to \$6M in hopes of getting the dollars needed for the Consent Order from DEP from 2016-19. She completed grants for several town departments. She and Utilities Director Ray Vaughn explained the “Consent Order” to Citizen Scott Gay and invited Mr. Gay to the plant for a visit. Citizen, Cheryl McCall wanted to know why the internet was down. Town Manager George stated that we began having issues when the town went to

another company for service. She also stated that the town attorney is looking into the current “phone contract” because of the issues.

Utilities Director – None

Fire Department - Thomas Brazil reported that the FD has gone to 16 fires for the month of February. The latest fire was on Spring St. as the FD arrived on the scene in 7 minutes. The fire was contained but the building was a total loss. The Fire Marshall said the cause was “an electrical issue”. The residence next door was saved as other departments arrived to assist. Unites from Columbia, Jasper, Genoa, Suwannee were on site. Jennings was called and then told they weren’t needed. Mr. Brazil wanted to know who he needed to contact about the clean-up of the fire? Town Manger George stated that she was giving the owner and the renters an opportunity to contact their insurance company before anything was done by the town. She also stated that the town will assure the safety of the bldg. by putting notices on both buildings as Mr. Brazil stated that the property was a “health hazard”.

Council - None

Adjourn – 7:30pm

IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE TOWN COUNCIL, WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS MEETING, THAT PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND FOR PURPOSE THAT PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) PERSONS NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS TO PARTICPATE IN THE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE TOWN CLERK’S OFFICE NOT LATER THAN THREE DAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

Town Manager, Town Clerk, or Designee

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