

**MINUTES OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL  
September 11, 2014**

**ITEM 1        CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Bassler called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ITEM 2        ROLL CALL**

Those present were Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Crider, Council Member Cockburn, Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman and Mayor Bassler

**ITEM 3        INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.**

Mayor Bassler led both.

**ITEM 4        OPEN FORUM**

No one signed up to speak

**ITEM 5        CONSENT AGENDA**

Council Member Crider moved to approve the August 14, 2014 minutes. Motion seconded by Council Member Lynch. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 6        CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH SPEED OF LIGHT BROADBAND.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve the contract with Speed of Light Broadband. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 7        CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT WITH BRIAN HALL.**

Council Member Crider moved to approve the contract with Brian Hall for Animal Control Services. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 8        PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FROM PROPERTIES ON THE TAX ROLL IN THE PRECEDING TAX YEAR BY 3.9 PERCENT.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to open the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

Mayor Bassler asked if there was anyone to speak for or against the issue. No response.

Council Member Crider moved to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 9 PUBLIC HEARING AND DISCUSSION ON FINALIZATION OF THE FY 2014-15 GENERAL FUND BUDGET.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to open the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

Mayor Bassler asked if there was anyone to speak for or against the issue. No response.

Council Member Crider moved to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Council Member Howard. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 10 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADOPTING ORDINANCE 14-08, APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF PONDER FOR THE 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve Ordinance 14-08, approval of the FY2014-15 General Fund Budget. Motion seconded by Council member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 11 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADOPTING ORDINANCE 14-09, LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR USE AND SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE TOWN OF PONDER FOR THE 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to approve Ordinance 14-09. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 12 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED FINAL PHASE OF REMINGTON PARK.**

The prospective developer addressed the Council stating that they would like to move forward with this project. They would like to talk about the current developer's agreement and stated that they are working from the previous preliminary plat.

One request that they will have is to change the MF zoning on the southeast corner to be changed to SF zoning and that the majority of the lots will be 60'x115' to provide for larger homes. They will work around the current wells on the property.

Canterbury Park will be the collector street with an outlet on Robinson Rd.

There was discussion about the sidewalks and the majority of the Council agreed that sidewalks around the proposed park area would be a must. They group is suggesting having a storm sewer system along Canterbury, but open channels east of there and that east of Del Mar would be captured in the storm sewer.

The developer reported that the proposed park would be approximately 1.5 acres. They would like to be moving dirt within 8 months if all goes well. The group has budget for landscape screening for the well sites. They also stated that they have budgeted for sod, irrigation and a play structure.

**ITEM 13 PRESENTATION OF WATER RATE STUDY AND CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF THE NEW PROPOSED RATE.**

Belcheff & Associates presented to the Council the Water Study (attached).

**ITEM 14 CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADOPTING ORDINANCE 14-10, APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF PONDER WATER/SEWER FUND FOR THE 2014-15 FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2015.**

Council Member Crider moved to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Lynch. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Howard and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**ITEM 15 ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON THE NEXT AGENDA.**

None.

**ITEM 16 ADJOURN.**

Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. Motion seconded by Council Member Crider. Ayes: Council Member Crider, Council Member Howard, Council Member Lynch, Council Member Cockburn and Mayor Pro-Tem Gorman. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. Motion passed with 5 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstentions.

**APPROVED:**

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**John Bassler, Mayor**

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**Date**

**ATTEST:**

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**Sheri N. Clearman, City Secretary**