



TOWN OF PIERSON REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

PIERSON TOWN HALL -106 N Center Street, Pierson, FL 32180
Tuesday, July 12, 2022- 07:00 P.M.

1. CALL MEETING – Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
2. ROLL CALL
3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
 - a. Regular Meeting June 28, 2022
 - b. Workshop- Airport June 23, 2022
 - c. Workshop- FRDAP June 23, 2022
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Temporary Fuel Surcharge Adjustment for GFL Environment (formally WCA) – Maddie Moore, Site Manager GFL Solid Waste SE
 - b. Taylor Middle-High School 2022-2023 Wildcats Gridiron Club Football Program Sponsorship - Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
 - c. Town of Pierson Elections – Linnie Richardson, Resident
 - d. Quote- Limitless Repair Services Inc- John Deere Tractor - Councilman Gray Leonhard
 - e. Updates by Mayor - Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
 - f. Update of Town projects from Town Attorney – Town Attorney Christian Waugh
 - g. Update of Town projects from Town Planner – Town Planner Mark Karet, Zev Cohen & Associates
6. OLD BUSINESS
7. OTHER BUSINESS
 - a. Council and staff reports.
8. GOOD AND WELFARE (public participation)
9. ADJOURNED
 - a. **Please be aware of the following meeting schedule(s) dates:**
 - i. Next Regular Council Meeting schedule:
 1. Tuesday, July 26, 2022 - 7:00 pm
 2. Tuesday, August 9, 2022– 7:00 pm

- ii. Budget Workshop and Special Meeting:
 - 1. Tuesday, July 26, 2022 – 6:30 pm (before council meeting)
- iii. Planning Commission Meeting:
 - 1. Tuesday, July 19, 2022 – 5:30 pm

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In accordance with the provisions of F.S. Section 286.0105, should any person seek to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, such person will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made; which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in the proceedings should call Town Hall at (386) 749-2661 no later than four (4) days prior to the proceeding for assistance.

DECORUM - All comments must be addressed to the Council as a body and not to individuals. Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who becomes boisterous while addressing the Council, shall be barred from further audience before the Council by the presiding officer, unless permission to continue or again address the Council is granted by the majority vote of the Council members present. No clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts in support or in opposition to a speaker or his/her remarks shall be permitted. No signs or placards shall be allowed in the Town Hall Chambers. Please mute or turn off your cell phone or pager at the start of the meeting. Failure to do so may result in being barred from the meeting. Persons exiting the Town Hall Chamber shall do so quietly.



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022 – 7:00 PM
PIERSON TOWN HALL**

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1. Call meeting to order

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and asked Town Clerk Carmen Spelorzi to take the roll call.

2. Roll call

PRESENT:

- Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
- Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund
- Councilmember Sergia Cardenas
- Councilmember Gray Leonhard

Also present was Town Attorney Christian Waugh. Town Planner Mark Karet was excused absent.

3. Invocation and pledge of allegiance

Mayor Samuel Bennett gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes – Mayor Samuel Bennett

- a. Regular Meeting June 14, 2022

Mayor Bennett asked if there were any additions and deletions if not he would entertain a motion.

Councilmember Gray Leonhard made the motion to approve the above listed minutes; seconded by Councilmember Sergia Cardenas. All agreed; motion carries.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Recommendations from FRDAP Workshop - Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett

Mayor Bennett asked Mrs. Spelorzi to speak. Mrs. Spelorzi elaborated on the letter that will need to be send out requesting an amendment to the original project budget for Chipper Jones Park and Palmetto Avenue Park as discussed by the Council during their FRDAP workshop with Mr. Fred Fox in attendance.

46 Vice Mayor Greenlund explained the categories that FRDAP monies were allocated to and
47 that the Council moved as much as they could towards new playground equipment, triggering
48 the need for the amendment.

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50 **Councilmember Gray Leonhard made the motion proceed with the recommendations**
51 **from the FRDAP workshop to make changes to the grant funds allocation for Chipper**
52 **Jones Park; seconded by Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund. All agreed.**

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54 **Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund made the motion proceed with the recommendations**
55 **from the FRDAP workshop to make changes to the grant funds allocation for Palmetto**
56 **Avenue Park; seconded by Councilmember Gray Leonhard. All agreed.**

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58 b. Recommendations from Airport Workshop - Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett

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60 Mayor Bennett spoke on the Municipal Airport and that all are in consensus to apply for grant
61 monies to get hangers to allow the Airport to earn revenue.

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63 **Councilmember Gray Leonhard made the motion proceed with the recommendations**
64 **from the Airport workshop to move forward to pursue grant funds for the Municipal**
65 **Airport; seconded by Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund. All agreed.**

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67 c. Updates Airport - Councilman Gray Leonhard

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69 Councilmember Gray Leonhard spoke on

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- Trying to create Master plan for Airport in order to apply for grants
- Getting grants for hangar purchases, process to apply for grants, getting direction from Flagler Airport Manager, use funds to purchase T-hangars to get revenue as there seems to be a great demand
- Cleaning up the gliders and other areas of the Airport,
- All tenants up to date with their fees and dues
- Old Clubhouse will be torn down
- Power has been completely disconnected to the Clubhouse
- Having special events at Airport

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Mayor Bennett spoke on

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- 4th of July celebration update
- Public Works has been pressure washing, clearing and cleaning Park(s)
- New Town Center being worked on by Eric Nelson and is coming along; No date to move in yet but it's getting closer
- Contacting VC Road and Bridge about concerns raised at the last meeting, they have not responded yet
- Town Planer being out due to Family Member's health concerns, asking for prayers

89 Resident Paul Martel, 506 N. Pine Street, asked for a summary of expenses that have been
90 incurred for the renovation of the New Town Center. Mrs. Spelorzi stated that it is
91 approximately \$200,000 not including employee wages.

92 e. Update of Town projects from Town Attorney – Town Attorney Christian
93 Waugh

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95 Mr. Waugh spoke on Letters sent to businesses on signage violation.

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97 Resident Paul Martel inquired if any type of notification was sent out the businesses about the
98 change in the alcohol sales policy. Mr. Waugh stated that since the ordinance has not been
99 officially changed yet, as it has only passed on first reading, he has not sent out any notices.
100 Discussion ensued about the process for proper noticing of ordinance changes.

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102 Mrs. Spelorzi informed the Council that some residents thought that the new regulation for
103 alcohol sales was in effect and that she had to inform them of the contrary.

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105 f. Update of Town projects from Town Planner – Town Planner Mark Karet,
106 Zev Cohen & Associates

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110 **6. OLD BUSINESS**

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114 **7. OTHER BUSINESS**

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116 a. Council and staff reports

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118 Town Attorney Waugh had no additional comments.

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120 Vice Mayor Greenlund

- 121 • Asked about sponsorships for the 4th of July festivities and how much sponsorship
122 money has been received. Mrs. Spelorzi will get an accurate figure.

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124 Councilmember Sergia Cardenas

- 125 • asked if more volunteers are needed and was told that there is still a need
126 • stated that the Mexican Consulate Orlando and the Farmworkers Association are
127 inviting the Council to attend a meeting at the DeLand Police Department on 6/29/22

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129 Councilmember Gray Leonhard

- 130 • spoke about mowing needed by Marlon Bates, Mayor will contact him again
131 • attended a meeting with Volusia County and learned that Pierson is receiving a
132 trophy for its participation (funds donated by employees) during the “Feed the Need”
133 food drive

- 134 • suggested having a local mechanic take care of the Town’s vehicles and equipment
135 repair needs. Mayor feels that the consensus is to support local businesses.
136 • Informed that the Playground equipment has a large wasp nest. Mayor will take care
137 of it.

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139 Mrs. Spelorzi

- 140 • read Thank you letter from Larrivee family on their loss
141 • advised of CSX crossings closing 7/18/22 not 7/5/22

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143 **8. GOOD AND WELFARE (public participation)**

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145 Mrs. Linnie Richardson, Richardson Lane

- 146 • stated that she saw Town staff spreading lime rock on what she knows to be an
147 easement and not a city street. Mrs. Spelorzi will call the County to clarify, as her
148 documentation shows that it is a city street.
149 • Inquired if it is possible to have the Town mandate a criteria for a safe berm to
150 discharge weapons. Mr. Waugh will check into it, but feels that it may not be possible
151 • Optical has not started work on repairing the ROW. Mr. Waugh updated the Council
152 on their communications

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154 Mr. Pete Glover inquired about the status of the event venue ordinance. Mr. Paul Martel,
155 resident and Chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission, stated that the event venue
156 ordinance has been done away with by the P&Z. Mr. Martel commended the Council for their
157 due diligence in sending the draft ordinance back to the P&Z.

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159 Mr. Martel ask the Council to consider doing an old fashioned carnival in the fall to get people
160 together and enjoying their family oriented community. Discussion ensued about the best time
161 for holding a carnival and maybe asking the Schools to join in the effort.

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163 **9. ADJOURNED**

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165 Mayor Bennett read upcoming meeting dates/times and thanked all in attendance.

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167 **Hearing no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.**

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169 Minutes prepared by:

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Carmen Spelorzi, Town Clerk

Minutes approved by:

Samuel G.S. Bennett, Mayor



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2022 - 2:00 P.M.
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett called the workshop to order at 2:23 PM and asked Town Clerk Carmen Spelorzi to call roll.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett
Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund
Councilmember Sergia Cardenas
Councilmember Gray Leonhard

3. Invocation and pledge of allegiance

Mayor Samuel Bennett gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Discussion on possible improvements at the Pierson Municipal Airport

Mayor Bennett invited Councilmember Leonhard to speak on possible improvements. Councilmember Leonhard stated that he had met with the Flagler Airport Director and has also been put in touch with an Airport consultant to come up with a plan to improve various areas on the Pierson Municipal Airport.

Councilmember Gray Leonhard spoke on

- Trying to redo the Master plan for Airport in order to apply for grants
- Getting grants for hangar purchases, process to apply for grants, getting direction from Flagler Airport Manager, use funds to purchase T-hangars to get revenue as there seems to be a great demand
- Cleaning up the gliders and other areas of the Airport,
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48 Discussion ensued about grant monies and what expenses are reimbursable. Councilmember
49 Leonhard stated that the main goal is to make the Airport attractive to attract revenue creating
50 business.

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52 **Vice Mayor Greenlund made the motion to recommend moving forward with making**
53 **plans to make improvements in the form of hangars to be rented using either the existing**
54 **plan or to create a new plan; seconded by Councilmember Sergia Cardenas. All agree,**
55 **motion carries.**

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57 The Council is in favor to make sure that the Airport remains a benefit to the Town. Discussion
58 ensued about the history of the Airport.

59 **5. ADJOURNED**

60 **Hearing no further business, meeting adjourned at 2:20 PM.**

61 Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

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Carmen Spelorzi, Town Clerk

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2022 - 3:00 P.M.

(or immediately following the 2:00 pm meeting)

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett called the workshop to order at 2:23 PM and asked Town Clerk Carmen Spelozzi to call roll.

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2. ROLL CALL

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PRESENT:

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Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett

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Vice Mayor Robert Greenlund

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Councilmember Sergia Cardenas

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Councilmember Gray Leonhard

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3. Invocation and pledge of allegiance

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Mayor Samuel Bennett gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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4. NEW BUSINESS:

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Mayor Bennett introduced Mr. Fred Fox with Fox Enterprises. Mrs. Spelozzi summarized the need for the workshop and stated that Mr. Fox will be able to convey the urgency for acting on this matter and to answer any questions. Mr. Fox spoke on the grant rules, deadlines and time constraints imposed on these grant funds and that in the past no extensions have been granted. All construction has to be completed by April 2023.

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- a. To review, discuss and select new playground equipment for the two FRDAP Grants received for:

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(FRDAP- Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program)

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- i. Chipper Jones Ballfield Park Phase

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1. Renovation of Playground/ Picnic Facility/ Baseball Field/ Softball Field/ Soccer Field/ Landscaping Irrigation/ Rest Room

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Mr. Fox stated that any changes to the project are up to the Council and that the Town would have to bid it out. Mr. Fox will assist with any letters and notifications that need to be send out. Mr. Fox will also forward a list of vendors used by other Cities to the Town Clerk.

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Discussion ensued on how much of the FRDAP funds should be allocated to the Chipper Jones Park and how they are best spent. There has to be special focus on ADA compliance.

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49 Mayor Bennett suggested focusing more on baseball and Playground equipment for Chipper
50 Jones and considering Palmetto Avenue Park as a primary soccer field.

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52 Mrs. Spelorzi summarized that the only active components will be the Playground renovation
53 and the Baseball field. Discussion ensued about keeping general landscaping active and move
54 the restroom renovations in-house or look into an ECHO grant.

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56 **Councilmember Gray Leonhard made the motion to recommend reallocating the**
57 **Chipper Jones funds for the soccer field of \$2,500, softball field \$7,500 and the picnic**
58 **area \$2,500 towards the playground and restrooms renovations and to make these**
59 **recommendations an agenda item for the next regular Council Meeting; seconded by**
60 **Councilmember Sergia Cardenas. All agree, motion carries.**

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ii. Palmetto Avenue Park Phase I

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1. New Playground/ Soccer Field/ Picnic Facilities

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2. Renovation of Playground / Soccer Field

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66 Mayor Bennett summarized the areas of concern for Palmetto Avenue Park and discussion
67 ensued about bleachers and shade structures.

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69 **Vice Mayor Greenlund made the motion to recommend combining the Palmetto Ave**
70 **Park funds from the Parking item, the picnic facility and the bleacher (total \$9,500) to**
71 **create a better Picnic Facility and to make these recommendations an agenda item for**
72 **the next regular Council Meeting; seconded by Councilmember Gray Leonhard. All**
73 **agree, motion carries.**

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75 **Councilmember Gray Leonhard made the motion to recommend combing the Palmetto**
76 **Ave Park funds from the new soccer field with the soccer reservation (total \$8,000) to**
77 **the soccer field renovation and to make these recommendations an agenda item for the**
78 **next regular Council Meeting; seconded by Vice Mayor Greenlund. All agree, motion**
79 **carries.**

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81 Mr. Fox stated that the Town would qualify for one (1) more FRDAP grant and Mrs. Spelorzi
82 will look into a warranty deed on a property to possibly secure FRDAP funds for a possible
83 Fitness Park for adults.

84 **5. ADJOURNED**

85 **Hearing no further business, meeting adjourned at 3:23 PM.**

86 Minutes prepared by:

Minutes approved by:

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Carmen Spelorzi, Town Clerk

Mayor Samuel G.S. Bennett