

**HAVANA TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
November 13, 2018 6 pm**

Member(s) Present: Decorkus Allen, Eddie Bass, Nick Bert, Cathy Johnson, David Norman and Vernell Ross

Member(s) Absent: Shirley McGill

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ross.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and seconded by Councilman Bass to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2018 and October 23, 2018 Regular Council Meeting. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Mrs. Darlene Wiles, 208 4th Street NE, Havana, Florida explained she is a new resident in the area and mentioned her concerns and suggestions regarding children trick or treating in the community. She advised there was no information available to the public advising the date that Halloween will be celebrated. After a brief discussion, Chief Smith advised that next year he will publish an ad in the paper.

OLD BUSINESS:

N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. McKinnon stated the first reading of Ordinance No. 378 was approved at the last meeting and this request is to approve the final reading. If the ordinance is not approved, the town will not be able to participate in the flood insurance program with the federal government and he recommends approving the ordinance. Motion was made by Councilman Bert and seconded by Councilwoman Johnson to read Ordinance No. 378 by title only. Town Clerk Shelia Evans read the ordinance by title. Motion made by Councilman Bass and seconded by Councilman Bert to approve the final reading of Ordinance No. 378. Motion carried.

Dewberry Engineering is requesting the council approve Change Order No. 1 for Project Azalea. When the drawings were submitted there was a misunderstanding. The main was assumed to be plastic but was bare steel which is more expensive. The additional cost is \$10,154. Mr. McKinnon advised Hoover is planning to be constructed by the first of the year and operating by March 1st. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Allen and seconded by Councilman Bert to approve the change order request. Motion carried.

The debris pickup agreement with Gadsden County was approved at the last council meeting. The monitoring contract is the second part of the agreement. Each truck has a monitor riding behind the crews that are picking up the debris and documenting it for FEMA. Mr. McKinnon stated he recommends approving the agreement. Motion made by Councilman Bert and seconded by Councilman Bass to approve the monitoring agreement with Gadsden County. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER:

Mr. McKinnon gave an update on the estimated cost for Hurricane Michael. The largest expense for the town was getting the electrical system back up. The estimated cost is \$200,000 - \$300,000 in which 88% to 90% will be reimbursed. Mr. McKinnon commended the council for the reserves the town has on hand and for being good stewards for managing the town's money.

The town is actively moving forward with the program income money and will need to meet CDBG guidelines.

Mr. McKinnon stated he will follow up on the agreement for the park south of town.

The recreation committee will update the council at the next council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Mayor Ross presented a plaque to the Town that was received from the National League of Cities for participating in the NLC Service Line Warranty Program. He stated it is most gratifying and satisfying to do something good for the community.

Motion made by Councilman Bass and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Allen to pay bills. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.

Vernell Ross, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shelia A. Evans, Town Clerk