***HAVANA TOWN COUNCIL***

***REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING***

***JUNE 29, 2021 6 pm***

***Member(s) Present:*** Decorkus Allen, Eddie Bass, Nick Bert, Janice Hart (by phone), Jenny Stone and Dwight Vickers

***Member(s) Absent:*** Warkeen Jordan

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Bert.

Invocation was led by Mayor Pro Tem Bert followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to approve the minutes from the May 24, 2021 First Public Hearing (Central Business District and Design Standards) was made by Councilwoman Stone and seconded by Councilman Vickers. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes from the May 25, 2021 Regular Council Meeting was made by Councilwoman Stone and seconded by Councilman Bass. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Stone and seconded by Councilman Bass to approve the minutes from the June 7, 2021 Second Public Hearing (Central Business District and Design Standards). Motion carried.

***VISITORS:***

N/A

***OLD BUSINESS:***

N/A

***NEW BUSINESS:***

Chief Tracy Smith mentioned there are several special event permits that are seeking approval. Havana Main Street is proposing to host a Farmers Market on the second Saturday of each month. Chief Smith stated he recommends the council approve the event. Motion to approve the Havana Main Street Farmers Market was made by Councilman Bass and seconded by Councilwoman Stone. Motion carried.

Blessings of Hope Empowerment Outreach is seeking approval for three (3) special events. There are plans for a merchandise giveaway on July 17, 2021 at the Hazel Baker Community Center. There will also be a food giveaway at Town Hall on July 24, 2021 and a catered food giveaway at the Hazel Baker Community Center on July 31,

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2021. Chief Smith stated Blessings of Hope Outreach is doing amazing things for the Havana community and mentioned he recommends approval. Motion to approve the special event permits for Blessings of Hope Outreach was made by Councilman Bass and seconded by Councilwoman Stone. Motion carried.

***REPORT OF THE TOWN MANAGER:***

N/A

***COUNCIL COMMENTS:***

Councilman Bass inquired about updates on the police department. Mr. Johnson, Town Manager, advised the architect is working on the plans. The environmental is complete along with the survey. Councilman Bass asked if the Garden Club or Town is responsible for the upkeep at the welcome sign south of town. Mr. Johnson advised the upkeep/maintenance reverted back to Town. He advised there was a car accident that occurred and the town crew is now working on replacing the pavers.

Chief Smith advised he made contact with the property owners of the old elementary school after receiving several complaints for the owners to clean up and mow the property.

Mayor Hart inquired about the cutting of limbs on US 27. Mr. Johnson advised there was a request from Teligent EMS to trim the overhanging limbs and the crew will also start clearing for the hurricane season. There is still more line clearing to be done.

Motion to pay bills was made by Councilman Bass and seconded by Mayor Hart. Motion carried.

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Motion to adjourn.

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***ATTEST:***

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Shelia A. Evans, Town Clerk