



# Town of Melbourne Beach

**TOWN COMMISSION SPECIAL  
EMERGENCY MEETING  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2018  
3:00 p.m.  
MASNY ROOM – 507 OCEAN AVENUE**

## **MINUTES**

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Mayor Jim Simmons  
Vice Mayor Wyatt Hoover  
Commissioner Steve Walters  
Commissioner Sherri Quarrie

Town Manager Daniels  
Town Clerk Nancy Wilson

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## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Town Commission conducted a Special Emergency Meeting  
at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, October 12, 2018 in the Masny Room  
to address the items below.

**I. Call to Order – Led by Mayor Simmons**

Mayor Simmons called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

**II. Roll Call**

Town Clerk Wilson led the roll call.

Commissioners Present:

Mayor Jim Simmons  
Vice Mayor Wyatt Hoover  
Commissioner Sherrie Quarrie

Staff Present:

Town Manager Bob Daniels  
Town Clerk Nancy Wilson  
Public Works Supervisor Tom Davis  
Maintenance Worker Greg Schaefer

Commissioners Absent:

Commissioner Steve Walters

**III. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**

Led by Mayor Simmons

**IV. Public Comment**

No public comments

**V. New Business**

- A. Consideration of emergency allocation of funds for Brewer Paving to modify structures and pipe type for the Andrews Avenue stormwater project – Town Manager Daniels

(Any actions taken at this meeting will be placed on the next Regular Commission Meeting agenda for ratification)

Town Manager Daniels said we are trying to move the project forward but we have a conflict that couldn't be cured by Brevard County. There's a sewer line that runs along the south side of Andrews Drive. As it runs in front of the houses, there are connection laterals where houses tap into the sewer line. Whether it was Brevard County or a private plumber who did the sewer line taps, they went through our outfall line. Those lines are gravity fed, from the house to the sewer line, so a certain elevation needs to be maintained. Originally, we were going to have them move the lines but that wouldn't work so we have to move our pipe to solve the problem. The current pipe is a 30" HDPE pipe which is a lightweight, plastic-like pipe. However, to fix the problem, we need to have an elliptical pipe to ensure the flow of water isn't impeded; elliptical pipes are made out of concrete only so this is going to add to the price of the project. There are 388' affected, running from drainage structure 13 to drainage structure 12. Changes need to be made to the structures themselves to match the pipe. With Commission approval, the pipe can be on site by Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. The installation of this pipe won't go as quickly as the plastic pipe due to the fact



that it is so much heavier and not flexible. This means that moving the FPL pole will be moved to Friday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Vice Mayor Hoover asked why we didn't know that the sewer lateral lines were going to be an issue. Town Manager Daniels answered that we knew they were there but we didn't know they were going through our outfall line until October 11<sup>th</sup>. Brevard County couldn't make the changes to their pipes because a certain pitch from the houses needs to be maintained and they wouldn't accept responsibility for the pipes that run to the houses.

Mayor Simmons said a similar situation happened on his street. Ana Saunders, BSE Consulting, said drainage structure 13 is at the intersection of Andrews and Riverside and drainage structure 12 is east of that at the intersection of Andrews and Mango. The two services between DS13 and DS12 go directly through the sewer line. Some probing has been performed and east of DS12 the problem doesn't occur; it appears those services are 6-12" below the storm sewer which is OK. To answer the question about how it could happen that the 4" sewer pipe could go through the top half of the stormwater pipe Ms. Saunders speculated that the sewer line could have just been placed right through our pipe. However, more than likely what happened is that the sewer was there first and the storm sewer came along later; she explained how that could have happened and drew a diagram on the white board. She added that to keep the ball rolling because of the deadline to receive FEMA dollars, an emergency meeting was called. The concrete, elliptical pipe is all that can be used to get under the sewer pipe between DS13 and DS12, they'll be able to lay about 60-70' per day.

Commissioner Quarrie asked how we can ensure that we won't break the old, clay sewer pipes. Ms. Saunders said it will involve hand work to chip out the old pipe and backfill it as they go. She has confidence in Brewer Paving and said Brevard County will be onsite when this work is being done and if they see any issues, they'll instruct Brewer to do it differently so that they can protect their own infrastructure. By being present, Brevard County takes on some liability. Also, Brewer Paving has a very good working relationship with the County.

Vice Mayor Hoover asked about the lack of baffle boxes in that area and asked if there is an option to retrofit them in the future. Ms. Saunders replied that it would have cost substantially more to install them adding that a small baffle box cost starts at around \$30,000 and FEMA wouldn't cover the cost since they would be considered an improvement. BSE has a design that includes baffle boxes so they could be retrofitted in the future. Mayor Simmons asked if it would cost substantially more to do a retrofit and Ms. Saunders said there would be an expense associated with it but it wouldn't be that costly.

Vice Mayor Hoover asked Greg Schaefer since he was down in the pipes and used cameras, is this something we should have been able to see. Mr.

Schaefer said he was in the pipe and he did see the problem but knowing that there are different sizes of pipes and different ways of laying it, he wasn't concerned. He also felt it may have been abandoned. Ms. Saunders added that even if we'd know this up front, the solution wouldn't have changed.

Mayor Simmons asked the Town Manager that if we approve the \$43,000, where does the money come from. Mr. Daniels replied that if we stay under the original not to exceed price on this project, it will be covered with those funds. Otherwise, it will come from reserves or from FEMA dollars for which this additional cost is eligible.

Mayor Simmons asked who is responsible for replacing the irrigation and landscaping. Mr. Daniels said the contractor is responsible for that and it is part of the contract. Ms. Saunders said they will be performing those tasks as they go instead of waiting until the end of the job.

Commissioner Quarrie asked if the Town has to cover any costs associated with moving the FPL poles. The Town Manager responded that there will be a cost associated with the pole on Riverside Drive but he won't get that information for a few days; he's hoping it will be below \$5,000. Vice Mayor Hoover asked why we are just now having this conversation instead of, say, six weeks ago. Ms. Saunders answered that we could have had the conversation sooner but FPL is notorious for being slow to respond.

The Commission decided to address the cost associated with the FPL pole at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Commissioner Quarrie made a motion authorizing the additional cost of \$43,388 for the Andrews Drive project to be taken out of reserves; Vice Mayor Hoover seconded. Motion carried 3-0.**

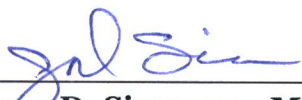
The Commission also asked that this amount be added to the Action Item documenting how much had been borrowed from Reserves and that it is to be repaid from FEMA reimbursements.

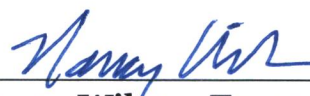
## **VII. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

**Vice Mayor Hoover made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Quarrie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.**

**ATTEST:**

  
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**James D. Simmons, Mayor**

  
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**Nancy Wilson, Town Clerk**