

- 1) **ROLLCALL:** Mayor Thiess, Ingrid Van Hekken, Dale Reed, & John Langel. Also attending: Village Attorney Richard Neill Jr., Marshal Scott Dennis, and Building Official Billy Hatcher. Absent Vice Mayor Jim Grimes, Tim Ritter, & Floodplain Manager Carl Peterson
- 2) BLESSING-
- 3) **PLEDGE OF APLELLEGIANCE**
Clerk of the Court Joe Smith was present to swear in Mayor Bill Thiess and Dale Reed, absent Vice Mayor Jim Grimes.
- 4) **MINUTES- Motion** to approve the April minutes was made by John Langel, (Anne Sinnott asked that before continuing, that in reference to the Sewer & Water, Jennifer Grimes stood up and had some comments toward the end of the discussion that those comments be reflected in the minutes. Ms. Sinnott said she asked could a part of the Village from the Reeds on down the Drive. The Clerk said she would listen to the tapes of the meeting again. Mayor Thiess said without something specific it would be hard to amend the minutes. Village Attorney Richard Neill said in truth the minutes can be doubly informed they don't have to be literal reputation of everything that takes place. He said the fact that everything is not in there isn't necessarily important unless the Board feels differently, and then the Clerk can review the tapes again. There was further conversation. Mayor Thiess asked the Board if they could not approve the minutes. Ingrid Van Hekken suggested the Clerk find the information Ms. Sinnott brought to the Board and approve the minutes next month. Board approved.
- 5) **TREASURY REPORT: Motion** to approve the Treasury Report and pay the regular bill was made by Ingrid Van Hekken and seconded by Dale Reed. Rollcall Unanimous.
- 6) **MARSHAL'S REPORT-** Marshal Dennis said that the locations at 3429 & 3463 N Old Dixie Highway are pretty much the same, there was a yard sale going on at the 3429 location. 4101 N Old Dixie this is the pool location he reported earlier to the Board. He has not heard back regarding the pool but he understands she has reached out to the Building Official. Marshal Dennis ask the Board to recall the gentleman who has the old Norris's location there was discussion back old forth with Ms. Jones regarding the fence again and also her dogs going after the new owner. He explained to him that the County was our primary enforcement. Marshal asked for any questions. Anne Sinnott asked about the debris on the side of the road by Norris's, it has been there the two past meetings. Marshal Dennis said the fact that it is a commercial location he has reached out to Waste Pro approximately a month ago got a quote and gave the information to Mr. Smith. As of last Thursday he has made an arrangement with Waste Pro, it is not a regular free pickup for a commercial location. They had comingled the debris with construction as well as

yard waste. / Ingrid Van Hekken said there is a homeowner on Riverwoods Drive that lives on the east side of the Drive that puts their vegetation cuttings on the west side of the Drive, Waste Pro will not pick it up. Mayor Thiess asked if it was still there, she said it was and they have been spoken too about where it should be. Mayor Thiess will call Mike Smith.

7) **BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT-** Building Official Billy said he had a proposal from a contractor with Golden Homes for Richard Lee on Yachtview Lane, this with replace their demolished home. The Board reviewed the plans. Motion to approve was made by John Langel seconded by Dale Reed. Rollcall Unanimous. **Motion** to pay the Building Official and approve his salary was made by Ingrid Van Hekken and seconded by John Langel. Rollcall was Unanimous.

8) **BUSINESS AGENDA:**

a) **4101 Old Dixie (PFJ Enterprises)** – Mr. Neill said that he spoke to Sarah Purshing who is one of the owners of the house, he had sent her a letter pointing out the issues. She said; ok I will be glad to put a fence, he told her before that she put get a permit and they talked briefly about the condition of pool, she pointed out that she had fish in the pool and doesn't want to harm them. Mr. Neill said when he last spoke to Mr. Hatcher he had not heard from her, but he thinks today, that he has heard from her and has been to the property. Mr. Hatcher said that Ms. Purshing called him Thursday said she had her fence up without consulting him. He said he went to the property Friday Afternoon and she does have a temporary pool he said it is good for awhile. Mr. Hatcher said he told Ms. Purshing that she is suppose make the area secure, she said she didn't know that. Mr. Hatcher said she has received two letters from Mr. Neill regarding making the area secure. Mr. Hatcher said he will watch for her to get her place secure. Mr. Neill said he thinks they have made some progress, and he will send a follow up note reminding her that what she has done so far is temporary only she does still need to follow up with Mr. Hatcher.

b) **Establishing a Village zip code-** Both the Mayor and Mr. Neill has had people ask them about a Zip Code for the Village. Mayor Thiess said that two people trying to sell a home here and they wanted the Village to have their own zip code. They said in the real estate world when you pull up 34946 not good things come up related to other parts of St. Lucie County, not good if selling property. Carroll Collins brought this information to the Mayor went to the effort of tracking down the people in the Postal Service that could get this done. He gave the Mayor contacts, a list of items that need to be done and who to contact. Mayor Thiess said he brought this back to the Board, the public, is this something they would be interested in. Ingrid Van Hekken asked if it would have to be under our legal name, Town of St. Lucie Village or St. Lucie Village. Mayor Thiess said once you have the zip code he didn't think the name really mattered, probably either. Mayor Thiess said the

way to go on this is to authorize our Attorney to see if this is all we have to do. His concern is notification of the residents and property owners. Marshal Scott Dennis said another problem the Town may run into in regards to property insurance costs. Mayor Thiess said we need to find out 1.) Can it be done, 2) Will be still be able to use the Orange Avenue and Midway Post Offices, 3) What all is involved other than what is on the list Carroll Collins sent, 4) Who sends the notification to the residents, 5) What about out parcels, will they be included in our zip code. 5) Costs.

c) **Establishing a Village Email and/or Cloud File Storage system.** Mr. Neill said it has been suggested that the Village should have a (I could not hear or understand). He said that it has been suggested by some of the citizens that the Village ought to have better system to store all the Village email. Mr. Neill said that he and the Mayor had talk to Terrance Cannon who has helped us with our web site asking what we can do. One of things we talked about also actually having a file where we actually had all our files in one server or somewhere on the cloud or in one server. Mr. Neill said he sent the Board in their report just a draft what they have pulled together. He said at this point there are two questions, 1; do you want to go ahead and set up a Village email system and 2; are we interested at this point going beyond that. Mr. Neill said his suggestion is that the Village should do the email thing, and probably not go beyond that. Mayor Thiess said the cost of the Cloud emailing email is \$22.00 monthly. There was discussion regarding the new procedure.

d) **Ordinance 2018-3 – Code Enforcement by Special Magistrate-** establish special magistrate and to include a Special Magistrate. First reading based on discussion last time, any foreclosure is decided by the Board, and the County does not do that. Ingrid Van Hekken asked if we should look into having Insurance for the Marshal. The Marshal is insured by the Florida League of Cities. No other discussion. Mayor Thiess asked for a motion. **Motion** to approve first reading of Ordinance 2018-3 was made by Ingrid Van Hekken and seconded by Dale Reed. Rollcall was Unanimous. Mayor Thiess said the other Ordinance; (all the changes) hopefully will be ready next month.

9) **PUBLIC COMMENT – REGARDING OTHER MATTERS-** Anne Sinnott and her husband Paul to the Board regarding the letter they sent regarding the ditch; Grist, North Capron Ditch. They were reengineered in 2014. Ms. Sinnott said they came before the Board at that time and now we have hurricane season coming up. Ms. Sinnott said the problem is salt water coming all the way back to their ditch causing flooding. She said this didn't happen until it was redesigned. Mayor Thiess said for the next meeting he will get a price on a tide valve and bring it back to the Board. / Corey (?) asked Mayor Thiess if the code board would that be on our Web Site. Mayor said it would and explained; in June will be the changes; each section of the Zoning Ordinance that was strike

through, underlines changed section. After that we will outside person go back redo the entire Ordinance and put everything back in it. Mayor Thiess said once we get this big Ordinance done it will all be in Word, the outlined format with automatic Table of Contents in it. He said it will easy to bring other things in and add them. Anne Sinnott asked if it were clear that these were all amendments of existing documents. She is concerned about Home Rule. Mr. Neill said one of the things he did over the last month; he talked to Dan McIntyre about (?) changes, as this is what we are doing. What he got from him is that it is not a problem at all. No other public comment.

10) **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**- nothing-

11) **VICE-MAYOR'S REPORT**- absent

12) **MAYOR'S REPORT**-Mayor Thiess gave an update; two years ago, we had the Florida Department of Emergency Management do a field visit. They came up with three homes that had been renovated; one of them was the Noelke's. The question was where these renovation over 50% of the value of the homes. And if they were did the home get raised to the elevation. The other was Cherokee Lodge, Hoskins this Board approved the Variance, and it was above flood ordinance. Mayor Thiess said there was one other on Waters Drive, he said they were not sure where it will land; this started out a little project and grew. /FEMA reimbursement, lot of activity on this the last two weeks. Waste Pro could not get the information needed, will probably fine \$500.00, Mayor Thiess said they have done a good job. We received an email from the State, 77 pages plus attachments. / Mayor Thiess passed around the scope of work for ditch cleaning this is the last that needs doing, and then Mark Austin's people can take over. He gave the various areas and amounts. All of the work will be done for \$6000.00. Mayor Thiess asked for a motion to approve; Motion was made by Dale Reed, Ingrid Van Hekken asked how this will be maintained. Mayor Thiess said we have raised Mark Austin's salary and John Langel will be monitoring the work. A resident said he remembered the Mayor walked the ditches in Riverwoods, the resident said he had not walked it, he didn't know if the Mayor determined an outcome for the ditch. Mayor Thiess said the only ditch they looked at was on the far north side of the property. The **Motion** by Dale Reed was seconded by Ingrid Van Hekken. Rollcall Unanimous. / The laptop for the Clerk is ready, Mike Lewis asked for a call when we were ready. By the next meeting we should have the new laptop and sound system. /the survey for water and sewer will be going out tomorrow. The return date on this is June 6th, three weeks after they went to the Post Office. Mayor Thiess explained the process; all the 3x5 cards will go to the Post Office. The Mayor will go through the cards, use a spread sheet with columns for voting, yes/no. There were 450 parcels sent out, one vote for each parcel. / The Mayor told the Board that the Clerk had been

working on the back room of the building. It is going to be used for storage for the past's years of the Village; it is a work in progress. The Clerk appreciated the mention very much.

13) **NEW BUSINESS**- none

14) **BOARD COMMENTS**- Ingrid Van Hekken said she received a scholarship to pay for a Class she is enrolled in June. The cost was \$300.00; it has not been received as yet.

No further business, meeting adjourned