

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE LADY LAKE TOWN COMMISSION  
LADY LAKE, FLORIDA  
February 3, 2014**

The Regular Meeting of the Lady Lake Town Commission was held in the Commission Chambers at Lady Lake Town Hall, 409 Fennell Blvd., Lady Lake, Florida with Mayor Ruth Kussard presiding. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

- A. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Ruth Kussard
  
- B. PROCEDURAL:** *Citizens are encouraged to participate in the Town of Lady Lake meetings. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Additional time may be granted by the Mayor. Citizen groups are asked to name a spokesperson and the Mayor, at his/her discretion, may allow longer than three minutes. Upon being recognized by the Mayor, please approach the dais, state your name and address, and speak into the microphone. The order of agenda items may be changed if deemed appropriate by the Town Commission. Please be respectful of others and put your cell phone on silent mode.*
  
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Ruth Kussard
  
- D. INVOCATION<sup>i</sup>:** Pastor Keith Johnson, Chapel of Christian Faith
  
- E. ROLL CALL:** Tony Holden, Commissioner Ward 2  
Dan Vincent, Commissioner Ward 3  
Paul Hannan, Commissioner Ward 4  
Jim Richards, Commissioner Ward 5  
Ruth Kussard, Mayor/Commissioner Ward 1

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** Kris Kollgaard, Town Manager; Derek Schroth, Town Attorney; Thad Carroll, Growth Management Director; C.T. Eagle, Public Works Director; Mike Burske, Parks & Recreation Director; Chief Chris McKinstry, Police Department; Jeannine Michaud, Finance Director; and Nancy Slaton, Deputy Town Clerk

**F. PUBLIC COMMENTS<sup>ii</sup>**

Mayor Kussard asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak on any item.

- Joe Quinn of 633 Rainbow Blvd. stated that the new Paradise Park walking trail opened last week in Lady Lake and it is very nice and has comfortable walking surfaces, but many people are walking their dogs there and are not cleaning up after them. He stated The Villages is allowing a six month trial period for pets to be allowed there, but asked if there was anything to be done about it now by any authority. Mr. Quinn stated he loves dogs, but many people are not picking up after their pets. He stated this occurred at the Art in the Park event at the Log Cabin Park as well.

Mayor Kussard stated she would like to speak with Mr. Quinn about this after the meeting.

Commissioner Hannan stated he has also visited this new park and is in agreement with Mr. Quinn about the pet messes being left behind. He stated that John Rohan is the person to speak to and he was

considering sending him an email about this as well, but thought it might be better that it come from the Town. He also commented that the park closes at dusk and he thinks this is good.

**G. CONSENT<sup>iii</sup>:**

**1. Minutes – January 6, 2014 – Regular Commission Meeting**

**2. Consideration of Budget Amendment to Increase Parks & Recreation Capital Outlay Equipment (Jeannine Michaud)**

The background summary for this agenda item is on file in the Town Clerk's office. It states that the Town received a settlement check for \$12,933.00 from the insurance company to replace the bleacher sun shades damaged in a storm on September 24, 2013. This amendment will increase capital outlay to replace the sun shades and increase insurance claims proceeds. This amendment requires Commission approval because it involves the capital budget and it also increases the total revenue and expenditure bottom line budget.

**3. Consideration of Request from Lake County Supervisor of Elections to Utilize the Lady Lake Public Library for an Early Voting Site for the 2014 Primary and General Elections (Kris Kollgaard)**

The background summary for this agenda item is on file in the Town Clerk's office. It states that the Lake County Supervisor of Elections is requesting to utilize the Lady Lake Library as an early voting site for the Primary Election for the dates of August 11-16, 2014 and August 17-23, 2014; and for the General Election for the dates of October 20-25, 2014 and October 26-November 1, 2014.

**4. Consideration for the Parks and Recreation Department to Invest \$400.00 to Install Irrigation at the Driving Range to Assist in Controlling Dust at Their Parking Lot (Mike Burske)**

The background summary for this agenda item is on file in the Town Clerk's office. It states that the Parks and Recreation Department is asking to install irrigation that would allow the Driving Range to water their parking lot during periods without rain. The irrigation would come on manually and would be controlled by the Range. The water for the irrigation would be paid for by the Driving Range and Parks and Recreation staff would install the system using new and old irrigation parts from our inventory.

**5. Consideration to Host the Annual Lady Lake Easter Egg Hunt at the Junior Field at the Guava Street Athletic Complex on April 12, 2014 (Mike Burske)**

The background summary for this agenda item is on file in the Town Clerk's office. It states that last year, the Lady Lake Easter Egg Hunt Volunteers counted over 2,700 people attending the event. The Parks and Recreation Director is proposing to host this event at the Junior Baseball Field at the Guava Street Athletic Complex. The size of the field and the available parking will assist in handling a crowd of this size. As in years past, many different groups and organizations will assist the Town with this event. Many Chamber members, businesses and churches donate their time, labor and signs for the event. Last year, over 30 different groups supported this event and allowed for a controlled Easter Egg Hunt. The egg hunt goes for the duration of the event and allows children of similar ages to hunt at the same time. The number of children is also controlled to make sure every child is able to get several eggs. Some of the groups who assisted last year were the Lady Lake Library, Chamber of Commerce, Girls Scouts, Relay for Life, Steeple People, Life Family Practice, United Southern Bank, Lady Lake

Area Rotary Club, Heritage Community Church, First Baptist Church of Lady Lake, Crossroads Community Church, Sonic Drive Thru, Chick-Fil-A, Z88 Radio, Recreation Plantation and the Historical Society. As with any event, the groups and games will change from year to year, and bounce houses are expected to be donated for the event once again this year. The businesses who donate their time and efforts are able to advertise who they are and hand out coupons or literature to help support their organization; this is also the practice for the Halloween Party. To assist with marketing, this event will appear on many websites for different organizations and will give the event great exposure while not having to pay to advertise. There are many different churches and organizations that volunteer to run the egg hunt and the front gate, which allows the Town to staff the event without utilizing paid staff. Including those running games, approximately 100 people volunteer for this event and assist in the coordination.

*Upon a motion by Commissioner Richards and seconded by Commissioner Hannan, the Commission approved Consent Items #G-1 through #G-5 by a vote of 5 to 0.*

**H. OLD BUSINESS:**

**I. NEW BUSINESS:**

**6. Consideration to Construct a Sun Shade at Town Hall Utilizing Up to \$500.00 in Contingency Funds and Using Parts from Several Storm Damaged Shades to Build one Shade (Mike Burske)**

Parks and Recreation Director Mike Burske gave the background summary for this agenda item (on file in the Town Clerk's office). He stated that the Parks and Recreation Department is asking to restore and utilize one of the sun shades that was destroyed at the Rolling Acres Sports Complex. It is estimated to cost \$500.00 to paint and build concrete supports for the shade structure. The shade would be located behind Town Hall and would serve as a picnic table cover. He stated that staff was able to restore one of the shades and place it at Pyramid Park, so he believes that the shade will hold up to the repairs and placement at another area.

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard pointed out that the proposed location for the shade structure is in back near the steps and by the side of the building and will provide staff with a shaded area to take breaks or eat their lunch outdoors.

Commissioner Hannan questioned whether the Town should spend nearly \$500.00 on this when hurricanes or wind gusts have damaged others, and suggested coming up with something more stable.

Ms. Kollgaard stated that the structure should be protected to a degree since it will be between the woods and the building, and Mr. Burske agreed.

Commissioner Richards commented that to put it in perspective, the dog park put in hardened pavilions at \$8,000.00 each.

Ms. Kollgaard asked Mr. Burske if the shade screen can be removed.

Mr. Burske replied that the top part can be removed during storms and that staff plans on putting the supports three feet into the ground using concrete.

Commissioner Richards asked that Mr. Burske be recognized for the Town receiving a Horizon Award for a Large Municipality from the Lake-Sumter MPO for the Rolling Acres Road Sidewalk Project. He stated this was a grant that Mr. Burske worked on and he is the local agency project manager, which requires a lot of work to keep the State happy for the award of the grant money. Commissioner Richards stated this project will help provide sidewalks within two miles of the school on Rolling Acres Road, Hermosa St., Lemon St., part of Clay St., Griffin Rd., and First, Second and Third Streets.

*Upon a motion by Commissioner Richards and seconded by Commissioner Holden, the Commission approved the Consideration to Construct a Sun Shade at Town Hall Utilizing Up to \$500.00 in Contingency Funds and Using Parts from Several Storm Damaged Shades to Build one Shade, by a vote of 5 to 0.*

**7. Consideration of Mattress Firm-Major Site Plan 12/13-001 – Proposal for Construction of a Single-Use Development Consisting of 4,020 Sq. Ft. of Furniture Retail Sales Area – Located at 867 N. Hwy 27/441 Within the Home Depot Subdivision (Thad Carroll)**

Growth Management Director Thad Carroll gave the background summary for this agenda item (on file in the Town Clerk's office). He stated that the applicant, Van MF Lady Lake, LLC, has submitted a site plan for the construction of a one-story single-use development consisting of 4,020 sq. ft. of furniture retail sales area. The parcel is approximately 1.19 +/- acres located at 867 N. Hwy 27/441 and is an outparcel of the Home Depot Subdivision. Mr. Carroll stated this is located in front of the Home Depot and to the north of the retention pond. He noted there is another Mattress Firm located further up the road in Summerfield. He reviewed plans and photos showing the site plan and the present view of the site. It was noted that the site plan was reviewed to determine if it is in compliance with the Land Development Regulations (LDRs) including parking, setbacks, landscaping, engineering, environmental protection and commercial design standards.

Mr. Carroll reported that the property is zoned Heavy Commercial ("HC") which permits the development and construction of the proposed project. The Future Land Use Map designation for the site is Commercial General-Retail Sales & Services (RET). The requested use is consistent with the directives of the Comprehensive Plan and adopted Land Development Regulations.

Mr. Carroll stated that site plans have been submitted by Gregory Robert Roth, Professional Engineer with Thomas Engineering Group (formerly Bohler Engineering). The landscaping and irrigation plans have been prepared and certified by Jason E. Rinard, Registered Landscape Architect with Hardeman Kempton & Associates, Inc. The applicant has complied with all requirements pursuant to the Land Development Regulations (LDRs) for site plans, including Chapter 7-Site Plan Development Regulations, Chapter 10-Landscaping & Tree Protection, Chapter 14-Water, Reuse Water, and Sewer Standard Specifications, and Chapter 20-Commercial Design Standards of the LDRs. Reviews were completed for the Town of Lady Lake by Town staff, Neel-Schaffer Engineering, and Kerry Barnett for compliance with the Florida Fire Prevention Code. The following reviews are contained in the packet:

- a. Town Engineer comments for the site plan dated January 23, 2014 (satisfied).
- b. Fire Review comments dated December 7, 2013 (satisfied).
- c. Waste Management comments dated December 5, 2013 (satisfied).
- d. Lady Lake Building Official comments dated December 5, 2013 (satisfied).
- e. Lake-Sumter MPO comments dated December 11, 2013 (satisfied).
- f. Lady Lake Public Works comments dated December 23, 2013 & granted reuse waiver request dated January 6, 2014 (satisfied).

- g. Florida Dept. of Transportation comments dated January 15, 2014 (satisfied).
- h. Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection Wastewater Permit Exemption Determination dated January 6, 2014 (satisfied).
- i. Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection Water Permit Exemption Determination dated January 7, 2014 (satisfied).
- j. St. John's River Water Management Individual Environmental Resource Permit No. IND-069-94056-7 (pending approval).

It is anticipated that the applicant will receive the St. John's River Water Management District Individual Environmental Resource permit in the next coming weeks; however, in accordance with Florida Statute 166.033. Paragraph 4, this permit may not be a requirement for development approval. However, the applicant shall provide all required state permits prior to commencing construction.

Mr. Carroll stated the application was not presented to the Town Commission in the venue of the conceptual workshop as the plan meets all requirements of the code, and no waivers to the commercial design standards were requested. Photos of the proposed landscaping vegetation and drawings of the building elevations were presented.

Commercial Design Standards: The project will exhibit exterior building designs in accordance with the Mediterranean Architectural Style. No waivers are needed and none have been requested.

Landscaping and Tree Protection - Tree Requirements: In accordance with Chapter 10-Landscape and Tree Protection, the site is required to provide 190.4 tree caliper inches based on its 1.19-acre area (160"x 1.19). The landscaping tree proposal breakdown is as follows:

Existing trees to remain	20.5 tree caliper inches
Proposed trees for the site	<u>179.0</u> tree caliper inches
Total tree caliper inches	199.5 tree caliper inches

Mr. Carroll reiterated that the caliper inches of the landscaping material exceeds minimum requirements of the LDRs. All landscaping buffers and required plant material for landscaping islands and building base will be provided; a Buffer Type Class "A" will be provided on the property. No waivers are required and none have been requested.

Mr. Carroll stated the application was received on December 5, 2013, and the Technical Review Committee reviewed the application at its regular meeting on January 7, 2014 and voted 5-0 to move forward to the Town Commission. He noted that the Planning and Zoning Board does not review Site Plan applications, and the Tree & Beautification Advisory Committee did not review the site plan application as the plan meets all requirements of the code and no landscaping waivers were requested.

Mr. Carroll stated that sidewalks are being proposed to be installed by the FDOT along this road. He stated the applicants are present if there are any questions.

Commissioner Hannan clarified that the fire safety issues for the project were resolved. He also asked if it would be in the best interest of the Town if boring were to be done under Hwy 27/441 and if it would be beneficial to the other businesses on that side of the street. He stated perhaps the cost could be shared.

Mr. Carroll stated the boring would be for the reuse and that it is already at Sam's Club at this time. He stated the cost would be prohibitive at \$33,000 for the applicant to connect, whereas by not

connecting to the reuse, the applicant would pay \$641 for one irrigation ERU. He stated this has been approved by Public Works. Mr. Carroll stated that there are no other new applications for businesses in this area to share the cost, and the Town has no leverage to mandate it.

Commissioner Richards asked if the Town had enough reuse available to satisfy everyone at this time.

C.T. Eagle, Public Works Director, stated that the reuse system output is equal to what comes in. He reiterated that it is cost prohibitive for the applicant and that is why they sought a waiver on hooking up to the reuse and are instead paying \$641 for one irrigation ERU.

Ms. Kollgaard asked if Mr. Eagle could estimate what it would cost to hook up the other businesses in the area.

Mr. Eagle replied that the Home Depot and Panda Express are not hooked up to reuse, and would use a minimal amount if they were, due to the lack of landscaping, etc., although Sam's Club is the big user and is already hooked up to reuse.

Commissioner Hannan asked if there were other vacant outparcels in this area.

Mr. Carroll replied this is the last outparcel available in the plat.

Commissioner Vincent asked if the new development projects proposed on the opposite side of the highway near Tire Kingdom are set to hook up to reuse.

Mr. Eagle stated that side of the road is already piped for reuse and the developer has already reserved and purchased the capacity for water, sewer and reuse, and that unless a major user of reuse hooks up, the output should equal the input. He stated that residential properties are major users as they do not produce a lot of effluent, but use a lot of irrigation water. Mr. Eagle stated that taking on commercial accounts is good for reuse.

*Upon a motion by Commissioner Holden and seconded by Commissioner Vincent, the Commission approved Consideration of Mattress Firm-Major Site Plan 12/13-001 – Proposal for Construction of a Single-Use Development Consisting of 4,020 Sq. Ft. of Furniture Retail Sales Area – Located at 867 N. Hwy 27/441 Within the Home Depot Subdivision, by a vote of 5 to 0.*

**8. Consideration to Reschedule the Second Commission Meeting in February to February 19, 2014 Due to the President's Day Holiday on February 17, 2014 (Kris Kollgaard)**

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard asked that the Commission consider rescheduling the second meeting in February to Wednesday, February 19th since it would normally fall on the President's Day holiday on Monday, February 17, 2014.

*The Commissioners agreed to reschedule the second Commission meeting in February to February 19, 2014 due to the President's Day holiday on February 17, 2014.*

**9. Review of Draft Resolution for Establishing a Restricted Fund to Pay for Future Land Purchases, Building and Facility Improvements/Expansions, and Large Capital Equipment (Kris Kollgaard)**

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard gave the background summary for this agenda item (on file in the Town Clerk's office). She stated that the draft resolution establishes a separate restricted property purchase fund. The primary purpose of the fund is to pay for future land purchases, building and facility improvements/expansions, and large capital equipment. Ms. Kollgaard stated that if the wording of the resolution is acceptable to the Commission, then staff will advertise the resolution in all three newspapers since it pertains to Town funds, and put it on the next Commission meeting agenda for consideration of approval.

*It was the consensus of the Commissioners to move forward with the resolution as presented.*

**J. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

**10. Ordinance No. 2014-01 – Second/Final Reading – Regarding Reduction of Supplemental Educational Impact Fees (Kris Kollgaard)**

Derek Schroth, Town Attorney, read the ordinance by title only.

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard gave the background summary for this agenda item (on file in the Town Clerk's office). She stated that on January 6, 2014, the Town Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 2014-01 which reduces the Town's supplemental education assistance fee rates to 25% of the original rate set by Ordinance No. 2006-61. The new rates will be as follows:

All residential construction occurring within the Town shall pay the following Supplemental Education Assistance Fee:

- \$750.00 per dwelling unit
- \$450.00 per multi-family dwellings

Ms. Kollgaard stated there have been no changes since the first reading.

Mayor Kussard asked if there was any public comment on this ordinance, and seeing none, asked for a motion.

*Upon a motion by Commissioner Vincent and seconded by Commissioner Richards, the Commission approved Ordinance No. 2014-01 – Second/Final Reading – An Ordinance Regarding a 25% Reduction of Supplemental Educational Impact Fees by the Town of Lady Lake, by the following roll call vote:*

<i>HOLDEN</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>VINCENT</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>HANNAN</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>RICHARDS</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>KUSSARD</i>	<i>YES</i>

**11. Ordinance No. 2014-02 – First Reading – An Ordinance Requiring the Commission to Discuss Postponing Voting on Matters Until There Are Three Votes to Deny or Approve (Kris Kollgaard)**

Derek Schroth, Town Attorney, read the ordinance by title only.

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard gave the background summary for this agenda item (on file in the Town Clerk's office). She stated that as discussed at the January 13, 2014 Commission Workshop, staff has attached the recommended ordinance which establishes the procedures on how to handle a tie vote by the Commission. She stated the Town has been lucky over the years, but this will be in place in the event a Commissioner has to be absent.

Mayor Kussard asked if there was any public comment on this ordinance, and seeing none, asked for a motion.

*Upon a motion by Commissioner Richards and seconded by Commissioner Hannan, the Commission approved Ordinance No. 2014-02 – First Reading – An Ordinance Requiring the Commission to Discuss Postponing Voting on Matters Until There Are Three Votes to Deny or Approve, by the following roll call vote:*

<i>HOLDEN</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>VINCENT</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>HANNAN</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>RICHARDS</i>	<i>YES</i>
<i>KUSSARD</i>	<i>YES</i>

**K. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard reported that resident Joe Quinn brought an issue to her attention. She stated that although the Town has a no smoking policy, people have been throwing cigarette butts on the ground near the entrance of the library. Ms. Kollgaard stated that there is no ashtray there now because it almost encourages people to smoke there. Instead, she stated she has spoken with Mr. Eagle, and he presented a sign that states that smoking is not allowed and cigarettes are to be placed in the receptacle.

Commissioner Hannan asked who empties the receptacles.

Ms. Kollgaard replied that the cleaning people empty the receptacles.

*It was the consensus of the Commission to go ahead with placement of the signs and receptacles at the Library.*

**12. Consideration of Two Appointments/Reappointments to the Planning & Zoning Board (Kris Kollgaard)**

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard gave the background summary from the agenda item cover sheet (on file in the Town Clerk's office). She reported that the Planning and Zoning Board has two members whose terms are expiring this month. Michael McKenzie and William Scott are currently on the Board and Mr. McKenzie wishes to be reappointed, but Mr. Scott does not as he has been on the Board for many years. Ms. Kollgaard stated there are two other applications currently on file for Sue Nord and Alfred Monteleone.

Ms. Kollgaard asked if any applicants were in the audience.

Mr. Monteleone introduced himself.

Mayor Kussard asked Mr. Monteleone why he would like to serve on the Planning and Zoning Board.

Mr. Monteleone replied that he believes that planning and zoning is an important function of the Town of Lady Lake and he would like to be part of it, and to put his past experience in water and wastewater construction to use as an asset to that Board.

Commissioner Richards stated he also had a background in building wastewater plants for ten years.

Mayor Kussard confirmed that no other applicants for the Planning and Zoning Board were in the audience.

Commissioner Hannan commented that although Mr. McKenzie is not present, other than the absenteeism during his illness, he has been a good Board member. He stated that he is glad to see that Mr. Monteleone is at the meeting and that attendance makes a difference, and although he was on the fence about the appointment, he is not now.

The Commissioners were asked to make their selections. The following results were read into the record and tallied:

*Michael McKenzie received five votes and was reappointed.*

*Alfred Monteleone received five votes and Sue Nord received no votes. Mr. Alfred Monteleone was appointed as a new member.*

#### **L. MAYOR/COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:**

Commissioner Richards stated he is very happy with the tremendous job staff is doing in making sure the Commissioners have the information they need to make the decisions they have to make. He also thanked all the volunteers for their attendance at the meetings.

Commissioner Vincent noted that one of the Town's vendors, Kling Towing, deserves a shout-out for going above and beyond during a recent incident that happened on US Hwy 27/441 and Rolling Acres Road. He asked that the Commission send a thank you letter to them as they are of value to the Town. Commissioner Vincent also thanked the Police Chief and the Corporal for their involvement during the incident.

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard stated the Town has some nice thank you cards on hand and she could give one to the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Commission.

Commissioner Hannan asked how many emails have been received regarding allowing residents who live outside of Lady Lake and Lake County to serve on the Town's boards and committees. He stated he only received one email in favor, but about ten against.

Ms. Kollgaard stated there have been quite a few against, but she has not counted them.

Mayor Kussard stated she has received over 30 against.

Commissioner Holden stated it was clear to him after reading the emails that the respondents did not understand that it was proposed that there would be only one member per board/committee that would be allowed to live outside of town.

Mayor Kussard stated that she has discovered that many Lady Lake residents were not aware of the necessity for people to apply for the various board/committee appointments, even though the Town publicizes this in the paper and on the web site. She stated residents want to make sure that Town residents make the recommendations as they have a vested interest and pay taxes in Town. Mayor Kussard stated she has received inquiries on what the requirements are for the various boards/committees. She asked if there was any other way to get the word out about volunteer board/committee vacancies.

Ms. Kollgaard stated the Town puts a big ad out once a year, and other clubs help by posting the vacancies. She stated someone has suggested using radio advertisement.

Commissioner Hannan suggested an article in The Villages News as a lot of people are reading it.

Ms. Kollgaard asked if the Commission still wanted staff to proceed with the changes to the ordinance regarding allowing residents outside of Lady Lake to be on the boards/committees.

After further discussion, the Commission agreed that staff should postpone for 60 days changing the ordinance in that regard to see if more applications come in.

Ms. Kollgaard suggested that when the ordinance is changed, requirements for experience should be included.

- Joe Quinn of 633 Rainbow Blvd. stated that whenever there are gatherings in Lady Lake such as the Art in the Park, the Town should have a booth or table set up to promote the Town and take advantage of the crowds. He also confirmed that all the boards/committees are advisory and stated that perhaps that should be made known, as otherwise it may scare people off.
- Dan Bard of Mira Mesa in The Villages introduced himself and stated he is the director of for the VHA in the Lady Lake portion of The Villages. He stated every month, an insert is put in the paper called The Voice, and he stated he would be glad to include information in his article for The Voice.
- Jeremiah Delgado of The Villages News stated he would also write an article on this and asked that information be sent to him.

Ms. Kollgaard thanked the gentlemen for their offers.

Mayor Kussard stated there is going to be a ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 a.m. on Wednesday at the new Affordable Lock and Security Solutions business which has gone into the castle building on Hwy 27/441. She stated it would be nice to see other Commissioners attend to show support for a new business in town.

Ms. Kollgaard stated she has been in contact with Wildflower Development regarding the property and a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday. She stated she will let them know the Town would like to have the property, but it is not a great need, and the Town is only willing to pay \$150,000. The Commissioners agreed with this.

Commissioner Hannan stated he was curious as to why the group of Boy Scouts was in attendance at tonight's meeting.

- Larry Lupin introduced himself as a member of The Villages Scouts and stated they have a required merit badge called Citizenship in the Community, and it requires attendance at a business meeting and a write up on an item for a yes or no value. He stated this is also a requirement for Eagle, which is the highest award.

**M. PUBLIC COMMENTS<sup>iv</sup>:**

- Regarding Kling Towing, Jeremiah Delgado of The Villages News commented that a woman in Orange Blossom Gardens had her golf cart stolen, and the Lady Lake Police Department found it and Kling Towing volunteered to tow it back to her and will do so tomorrow morning.

**N. ADJOURN**

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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Kristen Kollgaard, Town Clerk

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Ruth Kussard, Mayor

Minutes transcribed by Nancy Slaton, Deputy Town Clerk

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<sup>ii</sup> This section is reserved for members of the public to bring up matters of concern or comments. It is not limited to items on the agenda and it is open to any concern or comments that the public may have.

<sup>iii</sup> All items listed under consent are considered routine by the Town Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Town Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in its normal sequence.

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