



Town of Cedar Point Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
July 27, 2021

The Town of Cedar Point Board of Commissioners held their regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 at 6:30 PM. Mayor Hatsell determined a quorum to be present and opened the meeting. Everyone in attendance observed a Moment of Silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Hatsell, Commissioners Bray, Castellano, Nash and Winberry, Town Clerk Calhoun and public

ABSENT: Town Manager Rief

The Agenda and the Consent Agenda, consisting of the June 22, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes and Budget Amendment 2021-2022-01 was presented for Board consideration and approval. Commissioner Winberry made a **Motion** to approve the Agenda and the Consent Agenda as presented. The Motion carried 4-0.

There was no Public Comment.

Commissioner Nash opened the Public Hearing to receive and discuss Public Comment concerning the pursuit of the CAMA Access Grant.

Town Clerk Calhoun presented a brief summary of the grant, noting that the Town is asking for \$60,000 to construct an ADA compliant kayak launch, with a compatible parking lot and pathway to connect the parking area and launch. The Town will cash match with \$20,000. Commissioner Nash opened the Public Hearing.

Ms. Dianna Mazza was concerned that the cash match would be from taxpayer dollars and felt that was inappropriate, based on two separate tax increases. She also stated that bathrooms should be priority.

Mr. Michael Castellano understands that the park improvements will be a multi-year process, and he is really looking forward to kayaking and utilizing the kayak launch once it's built.

39 Mayor Hatsell pointed out that the Town has always had a plan for the park improvements, and
40 the kayak launch and newly built pier were prioritized based on the public's input. Many parks
41 do not have bathroom facilities, and while our bathroom facilities are on the list of
42 improvements, they are not at the top of that list.

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44 Don Redfearn, Public Works Director for the Town, pointed out that kayakers will be safer
45 launching from the town park, as there is little boat traffic in the creek. This will be a welcome
46 addition to the park.

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48 Commissioner Nash stated that this kayak launch would be an important addition to Cedar Point,
49 making it a destination spot for kayakers from all over.

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51 Pat Konarski stated this project and grant pursuit were a positive direction to go towards, and the
52 kayak launch would be good for the Town.

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54 Commissioner Winberry made a **Motion** to close the Public Hearing. The Motion carried 4-0.

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56 Commissioner Bray made a **Motion** to approve the Resolution to Pursue the CAMA Access
57 Grant. The Motion carried 4-0.

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59 The Town Manager's report was summarized by Mayor Hatsell beginning with the ARPA funds
60 received. The uses for this funding are very specific, and one use is to compensate essential
61 personnel who worked continuously through the pandemic. Mr. Rief proposed \$5,000 to Town
62 Clerk Jayne Calhoun, Public Works Director Don Redfearn, Public Works Maintenance Tech
63 Tyler Merkel and Town Manager Rief. The sum of \$2500 would go to Code Enforcement
64 Officer Kaitlin DeGrasse and Administrative Assistant Tamra Bullard. The Board may make the
65 determination how these funds should be distributed, lump sum, monthly or quarterly.

66 Commissioner Castellano made a **Motion** to use a portion of the ARPA funds to make lump sum
67 payments to the employees. The Motion carried 4-0.

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69 Town Clerk Calhoun submitted two Annexation petitions: 150 Boat Landing Drive and 280
70 Hidden Bay Drive. In accordance with NCGS 160A-31, the Board must direct the Town Clerk
71 to investigate the sufficiency of these petitions and approve the date of a public hearing.

72 Commissioner Castellano made a **Motion** to direct the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency
73 of the annexation petitions and schedule the public hearing for Thursday, August 19, 2021. The
74 Motion carried 4-0.

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76 Some of the materials from the old dock were salvaged to repurpose elsewhere at the park. The
77 old pavilion roof from the previous pier will be used at the front of the property to erect a picnic
78 shelter. Board consensus agreed with placement of the shelter at the front of the park.

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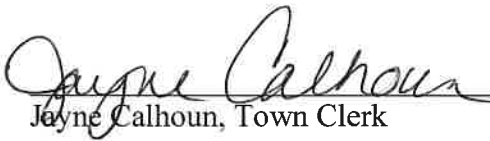
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There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. Commissioner Winberry made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.



Scott Hatsell, Mayor



Jayne Calhoun, Town Clerk