



**FINAL MINUTES AND AGENDA
TOWN OF JUPITER
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2024**

Mayor Kuretski called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Kuretski recognized Officer Kevin Schwebs who began his career with the Police Department in 2003 and was one of the original members of the Honor Guard. He noted Officer Schwebs would be retiring after tonight's Honor Guard duty and wished him well.

Roll Call: Mayor Jim Kuretski; Vice-Mayor Malise Sundstrom; Councilor Ron Delaney; Town Manager Frank Kitzerow; Acting Town Attorney Brett Lashley and Town Clerk Laura Cahill. Councilor Andy Fore and Councilor Cameron May were absent.

PROCLAMATION

1. Code Enforcement Appreciation week - June 3 - 7, 2024 – Mr. Chris Ailes, Code Compliance Supervisor.

The Mayor presented the proclamation to Mr. Chris Ailes, Code Compliance Supervisor and the Code Compliance Department.

Mr. Ailes thanked Council and stated the Code Compliance department was pleased to serve the community and expressed gratitude for his team.

PRESENTATION

2. Recognizing Code Officer Paul Ruddock and Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha who received the Life Saving Award for their efforts on a call for service.

Chief David England recognized Code Enforcement Officer Paul Ruddock and Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha, for their life saving action they took in November of 2023. He explained the Jupiter Police Department (JPD) received a 911 call regarding an individual laying on the railroad tracks. Both Officer Ruddock and Rocha grabbed the individual off the railroad tracks within seconds prior to a train passing. Chief England explained they were awarded a lifesaving award for saving the individuals life.

Officer Ruddock thank the Council and the Town. He stated he was very proud of his job and thanked his Supervisor, Mr. Ailes who encouraged assisting the Police Department and saving a life when needed.

PRESENTATION

2. Recognizing Code Officer Paul Ruddock and Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha who received the Life Saving Award for their efforts on a call for service.

Officer Rocha thanked everyone and stated it was a part of his duties.

Mayor Kuretski said Council was grateful for their actions.

3. Town Centennial Celebration Planning Update.

Mr. Shawn Reed, Community Relations Manager and PIO, gave a presentation on the upcoming Town centennial next year. He stated the plan was to do a year-long celebration that included planning committees comprised of Town Staff and Town residents. He presented the centennial logo and gave a brief timeline.

Mayor Kuretski expressed his gratitude towards Staff for being proactive and getting different groups involved.

Councilor Delaney stated he was thankful for all Staff's work.

Vice-Mayor Sundstrom agreed and asked if Chick-Fil-A could be one of the food vendors for Jupiter Jubilee next year.

4. E-Bike Safety Campaign Initiative.

Chief David England gave an update on the Police Departments E-Bike Campaign which included the definition of E-Bike and E-Moto; traveling speed of both; governing Florida State Statute; moving and non-moving violations of traffic laws; and upgrading motor and batteries to increase speeds.

Chief England felt parents were buying E-Bike's not understanding the capabilities regarding modifications and youth were likely not operating them in a safe manner. He reviewed the Public Education Campaign, which included the Town website page; social media; meeting with public and private school; homeowner association meetings; public events; selected enforcement campaigns; networking with other law enforcement agencies and elected officials. He shared a Police Department flyer to educate the public and noted the Police Department was collecting data. He stated there had been 32 traffic stops with thirty being educational opportunities and two warranted traffic tickets.

Mayor Kuretski mentioned having *a motorcycle* when he was younger *that was designed for on and off-road use* and needed to be a certain age *to drive it*. LC
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PRESENTATION

5. E-Bike Safety Campaign Initiative.

Chief England clarified the E-Moto's were essentially motorcycles and needed to be registered unlike E-Bikes which were not allowed on the roads.

Mayor Kuretski said there used to be areas where dirt bike riders could go, however Jupiter was now fairly built out and no longer had those areas.

Chief England agreed there were no more areas in Jupiter unless they were riding on private property.

Councilor Delaney stated he was glad the Jupiter Police Department (JPD) was being proactive.

Vice-Mayor Sundstrom thanked Chief and JPD for being so visible within the Community and was appreciative Chief was at the last Connect with Council.

Mayor Kuretski asked if there were any rules or laws that stated all wheels needed to be on the ground.

Chief England said there was a Florida Statute that states a vehicle on the roadway doing a wheelie was against the law and was one of the most expensive citations.

Mayor Kuretski thanked JPD for being proactive.

Mr. Adam Paulson, resident of Lucerne Street, spoke about an incident regarding several E-Bikes riders doing wheelies and e-stunting close to Heights Boulevard. Mr. Paulson spoke about an altercation with the E-Bike riders where he filed a police report. He went on to explain after the incident he posted on social media where several other concerned mothers reached out with the same issues. He also spoke about an ongoing issue with his neighbor.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Ms. Linda McDermott, resident of Chadwick Drive, discussed a recent situation regarding an abused dog and thanked Town for their actions. She also thanked JPD for the E-Bike campaign.

Ms. Carol Watson, resident of Chasewood Drive, proposed an increase in salary for Council.

Mr. Eric Weitze, resident of Ocean Grande Boulevard, mentioned his concerns regarding signage and speeding on A1A. He also spoke about the proposed location for a Jupiter Fire Rescue fire station.

MINUTES

5. May 21, 2024 Town Council Minutes.

Councilor Delaney moved to approve May 21, 2024 Town Council Meeting Minutes, as amended; seconded by Vice-Mayor Sundstrom; motion passed.

Kuretski
Yes

Sundstrom
Yes

Delaney
Yes

CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed in this portion of the agenda are considered routine by the Town Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilor or citizen so requests; in which event, the item will be removed and considered at the beginning of the regular agenda.

Vice-Mayor Sundstrom moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Councilor Delaney; motion passed.

Kuretski
Yes

Sundstrom
Yes

Delaney
Yes

PUBLIC BUSINESS

6. Approving Town Council First Budget Workshop Meeting, Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

REPORTS

TOWN ATTORNEY

TOWN MANAGER

- Officer Kevin Schwebs – Mr. Kitzerow congratulated Officer Kevin Schwebs on his remarkable career and his retirement.
- Jupiter Police department E-bike Campaign – Mr. Kitzerow stated Jupiter Police were setting the pace on the E-bike campaign and received a lot of great feedback from the Community.
- Memorial Day Ceremony – Mr. Kitzerow thanked everyone involved in the ceremony.
- Local Traffic – Mr. Kitzerow stated at the request of Vice-Mayor Sundstrom, local traffic information was now located on the Town's website.

TOWN COUNCIL – LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS

MAYOR KURETSKI

- Code Officer Paul Ruddock, Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha, and Officer Kevin Schwebs – Mayor Kuretski thanked them all and was thankful for allowing the Town to publicly honor them. He stated it was not just another day on the job and was glad they were publicly recognized.

VICE-MAYOR SUNDSTROM

- Code Officer Paul Ruddock, Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha, and Officer Kevin Schwebs – Vice-Mayor Sundstrom thanked them and thanked all officers including Fire Rescue for all the work they do and being able to recognize them was a wonderful part of the job.
- Memorial Day Ceremony - Vice-Mayor Sundstrom stated she was grateful for the ceremony and appreciated the Congressman inviting others to come and give the names of those who were being remembered that day.

COUNCILOR DELANY

- Code Officer Paul Ruddock, Police Officer First Class Luis Rocha Officers – Councilor Delaney stated it was amazing how quickly officers would spring into action and all his gratitude towards public servants.

ADJOURNMENT - 8:00 P.M.

Laura Cahill, Town Clerk