

BLUFFTON TOWN COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES

May 21, 2018

Mayor Pro Tempore Larry Toomer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members present were Harry Lutz, Dan Wood, and Fred Hamilton. Town Manager Marc Orlando, Deputy Town Manager Scott Marshall, Director of Engineering Bryan McIlwee, Director of Growth Management Heather Colin. Mayor Sulka was not in attendance.

Public Comments – Pertaining only to Agenda Items:

Emmett McCracken, 58 Stock Farm Road – McCracken stated the proposed dock on the southern end of Calhoun Street is too large. He stated that residents need to be notified of the project scope and educated on the impact to Calhoun Street.

Charles Owens, 17 Water Street – Fr. Owens stated that he is the Rector at Church of the Cross on Calhoun Street and that he represents the church. Owens asked Mayor and Council if a study has been done regarding the potential impact of the proposed dock and the increase marine traffic will have on the May River ecosystem, if the proposed dock of such magnitude is needed in the Historic District of Bluffton, and with the promotion of two adjacent destinations being the result of the proposed dock, have experts determined the utilization of those destinations and the parking that will be needed. He stated that he sent an email to Mayor and Council and would like to request that the email is reflected in the minutes of this workshop.

Attached to the minutes of the Budget Workshop of May 21, 2018 is a copy of the email sent on May 8, 2018 by Chuck Owens to Mayor and Council, Town Staff and others.

Workshop Items:

Town of Bluffton Fiscal Year 2019 Consolidated Budget:

Capital Improvement Program Fund:

Orlando gave an overview. Orlando stated that the FY 19 Budget goals are to deliver the Town Council Strategic Plan Priorities, improve core services and existing programs, invest in civic space, Town facilities, and environmental initiatives, to train and support Town of Bluffton employees, improve staff efficiencies, and build a resilient Bluffton community.

The Capital Improvement Program Fund accounts for and reports the financial resources that are restricted, committed or assigned to expenditures for capital outlays including the land acquisition and/or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets. Capital projects are primarily non-recurring in nature and are greater than \$5,000 except roads, buildings and computer software whose threshold is \$50,000. Sources of revenue are state and federal grants, hospitality taxes, stormwater fees and other restricted revenues for capital improvements.

Orlando stated that the final reading for the Town of Bluffton Fiscal Year 2019 Proposed Consolidated Budget will be on June 13, 2018.

Wood made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Mayor

Town Clerk