

TOWN OF FLORIDA BOARD MEETING

April 21, 2025

7:00pm

The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Florida Town Board; was called to order at 7:00 pm by Deputy Supervisor Harold Alikonis. Also present for the meeting were Councilman Matthew Gogis, Councilman Steve Rackowski, Attorney Mike Crowe and Town Clerk Emily Staley. Supervisor Eric Mead and Councilman Mark Quiri were absent.

Councilman Matthew Gogis led the salute to the flag.

Motion by Councilman Matthew Gogis and seconded by Councilman Steve Rackowski to accept the Agenda; all in favor and passed.

Motion by Deputy Supervisor Harold Alikonis and seconded by Councilman Matthew Gogis to approve and accept the minutes from the February 24, 2025 Board Meeting; all in favor and passed.

Committee Reports:

Communications & Announcements:

- Surface for pickleball and tennis courts has been shipped and will be arriving this week.

Assessor:

- Grievance Day is the end of May.

Engineering:

- Nothing at this time.

Attorney:

- Nothing at this time.

Planning and Zoning:

- Nothing at this time.

Building Maintenance:

- The tennis courts at Ron Mead field are all cleaned off and the cracks are cut out. The trencher will be delivered Wednesday and the Rick Vertucci will crack seal the cracks after paving is done. Need to get new nets for the basketball hoops and Steve will talk to Rick Vertucci about doing crack sealing on those courts as well.

Highway:

- Shoulder work continues. Councilman Alikonis asked if Merry Road was done and Steve Anderson said that is a County Road and the Town Highway Dept does not do that road.
- Hauling sand in.
- The truck is going to the auction on May 2nd.

Water and Sewer:

- Nothing at this time.

Youth:

- Ballfield is being used for practices right now.
- There will be an Easter Egg Hunt this year on the Saturday before Easter.

Veterans:

- Two additional flag poles are being installed to fly the other missing branch flags.

Old Business:

- Nothing at this time.

New Business:

1. **RESOLUTION #47** a Resolution sponsored by Councilman Steve Rackowski and seconded by Councilman Matthew Gogis to decrease Revenue Account A1120.1, Non-Property Tax Distribution by County, in the amount of forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000), to cover the cost of surfacing for the tennis courts at Ron Mead Park; all present in favor and passed.

2. **RESOLUTION #48** a Resolution sponsored by Councilman Matthew Gogis and seconded by Councilman Steve Rackowski to increase Appropriations account A1010.4, Town Board Contractual, in the amount of forty-nine thousand dollars (\$49,000) to cover the cost of surfacing for the tennis courts at Ron Mead Park; all present in favor and passed.
3. **RESOLUTION #49** a Resolution sponsored by Deputy Supervisor Harold Alikonis and seconded by Councilman Matthew Gogis to transfer four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) from Fund Balance General Fund Account A 0909.1 into Fund Balance Account Capital Reserve Fund Account A0878.1 for the purpose of future building improvements; all present in favor and passed.
4. **RESOLUTION #50** a Resolution sponsored by Steve Rackowski and seconded by Councilman Matthew Gogis to transfer two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) from Cash Highway Fund DA0200.3 into Capital Reserve Highway Fund DA0878.3 for the purpose of future vehicle purchases; all present in favor and passed.

Public Comment: Opened at 7:12pm

James Sowizdral, 146 Gogis Road, expressed his gratitude for the Town Clerk and Assessor for all of their help to him when he moved into the Town. He stated that both the Clerk and Assessor have always been very kind and willing to assist him no matter what he asks. He is also very happy with the work the Highway Department does to keep the roads clean during snowstorms. They do a great job and aren't told often enough.

Vanessa Curry, 6244 St. Hwy 30, is glad that improvements are happening at the park. She volunteered herself and her husband Brandon to assist with laying down the surface of the courts when started.

Steve Anderson, announced that May 3rd is the Ladies Auxiliary Chicken and Ribs fundraiser at the firehouse on Route 30s. 12 – 4pm or whenever they sell out.

Metal pick-up at the dump starts the 2nd week of May and the dumpster will be there for two weeks.

Public Comment: Closed at 7:16pm

MOTION by Councilman Matthew Gogis to audit and pay the monthly bills was seconded by Councilman Steve Rackowski; all present in favor and passed.

MOTION by Deputy Supervisor Harold Alikonis and seconded by Councilman Matthew Gogis to accept the Supervisor's Report; all present in favor and passed.

MOTION by Councilman Matthew Gogis to adjourn was seconded by Councilman Steve Rackowski; all in favor and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Emily Staley - Town Clerk