

MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
May 14, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

MAYOR HOOD CALLED TO ORDER THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

ROLL CALL:

MAYOR JEAN HOOD	P	COUNCILMAN DILLARD	P
COUNCILWOMAN DRIVER	P	COUNCILWOMAN ABERNATHY	A
COUNCILWOMAN KUNZMAN	P	COUNCILMAN WASHACK	P

Also in attendance was Town Manager Keith Williams, Town Attorney Jeffrey McInnis, Town Deputy Clerk Linda Barringer and Court Reporter Suzan Upton.

SPECIAL ACTION:

Town Attorney Jeffrey McInnis addressed Mayor Hood and Council: The Council is in a Special Session this afternoon to discuss pending litigation in the First Judicial Circuit Court of Okaloosa County, Florida, Case No. 2019-CA-003580. This closed session will be attended by Mayor Hood, Mayor Pro Tem/Councilman Danny Dillard, Councilwoman Laura Driver, Councilwoman Kathy Kunzman and Councilman Chris Washack, absent from the meeting at this time is Councilwoman Abernathy who may join the meeting at any time. Also attending will be Town Attorney Jeff McInnis, Town Manager Keith Williams and by phone will be the Florida League of Cities Attorneys John Van Hise, III and Zackery Charlotte the defense attorney's representing the Town. The procedures for the closed attorney-portion of the meeting will be consistent with Chapter 286, *Florida Statutes*. We expect the meeting to last approximately 30 minutes after which we will return to the public meeting to address any action item needed at that time.

Mayor Hood recessed the public part of the special meeting at 5:32 to start the executive session at which time the Deputy Clerk Linda Barringer stepped out of the meeting.

Mayor Hood opened the closed portion of the special meeting at 5:33.

Mayor Hood adjourned the closed portion of the special meeting at 5:49.

Town Attorney Jeffrey McInnis addressed the Council following the closed portion of the meeting: For the record Mayor Hood we have now concluded the closed attorney/client session which lasted approximately 20 minutes. The closed portion of the meeting was attended by: Mayor Hood, Mayor Pro Tem Danny Dillard, Councilwoman Laura Driver, Councilwoman Kathy Kunzman and Councilman Chris Washack, along with Town Attorney Jeff McInnis, Town Manager Keith Williams and by phone Florida League of Cities Attorneys John Van Hise, III. And Zackery Charlotte Attorneys who are representing the Town. The Town Attorney presented a recommendation to the Council from the Defense Attorneys to have the authority to file a Proposal for Settlement of \$30,000 in this matter. These funds would be entirely paid for by the League of Cities Insurance Program.

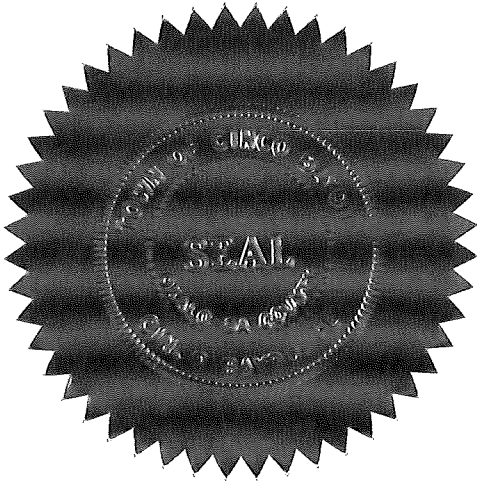
Councilman Danny Dillard made a motion to approve the Defense Counsel's recommendation to file a Proposal for Settlement of \$30,000. Councilwoman Kunzman seconded the motion. Roll Call was taken:

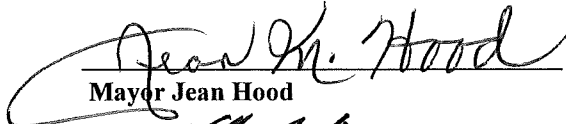
COUNCILMAN DILLARD	Yes	COUNCILWOMAN ABERNATHY	Absent
COUNCILWOMAN DRIVER	Yes	COUNCILMAN WASHACK	No
COUNCILWOMAN KUNZMAN	Yes		

The motion passes by a majority 3 - 1 vote.


ADJOURN SPECIAL MEETING: After no further business, the Special Council Meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

ATTEST:





Mayor Jean Hood



Keith Williams, Town Manager/Clerk