



**TAVARES CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 – 4:00 PM
TAVARES CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
201 EAST MAIN STREET, TAVARES**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

**Amanda Boggus, Mayor
Lou Buigas, Vice Mayor
Lori Pfister, Council Member
Walter Price, Council Member
Troy Singer, Council Member**

STAFF PRESENT

**John Drury, City Administrator
Bob Williams, City Attorney
Susie Novack, City Clerk
Mike Fitzgerald, Community Development Director
Bob Tweedie, Economic Development Director
Lori Houghton, Finance Director
Richard Keith, Fire Chief
Jon Hall, Police Lieutenant
James Dillon, Public Works Director
Phil Clark, Utilities Director
Crissy Bublitz, Human Resources Director
Mark O'Keefe, Public Communications Director**

TAVARES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

J. Scott Berry, Executive Director

I. CALL TO ORDER

John Drury called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Tab 1. Pastor Justin Burger, First Baptist Church of Tavares

Pastor Justin Burger, First Baptist Church of Tavares, provided the invocation and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ELECTION RESULTS

Tab 2. Election Results

Ms. Novack made the following presentation:

Effective August 15, 2020 at 12:00 noon, the following candidates qualified for the office of the Tavares City Council:

Seat 1 – Amanda Boggus

Seat 3 – Walter B. Price, Sr. and Roy R. Stevenson

Seat 5 – Lori A. Pfister and Debbie Stivender

The Lake County Canvassing Board consisting of Jason Nimeth, County Judge, Alan Hays, Lake County Supervisor of Elections, and Jennifer Hill, Board of County Commission, Chair, certified the November 3, 2020 election results on November 13, 2020.

For Tavares City Council Seat 1, Amanda Boggus was a qualified incumbent with no opposition and is considered to be elected without opposition.

For Tavares City Council Seat 3, the whole number of votes cast was 8,276 of which

- Walter B. Price, Sr., received 4,600 votes; and,*
- Roy R. Stevenson received 3,676 votes*

For Tavares City Council Seat 5, the whole number of votes cast was 8,161 of which

- Lori A. Pfister received 4,870 votes; and,*
- Debbie Stivender received 3,291 votes*

Ms. Novack congratulated Amanda Boggus, Walter Price, and Lori Pfister.

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

Lieutenant Hall swore in Amanda Boggus to Seat 1, Walter B. Price, Sr., to Seat 3, and Lori A. Pfister to Seat 5, Tavares City Council.

CONVENING OF NEW COUNCIL

ELECTION OF MAYOR

Tab 3. Election of Mayor

Mr. Drury made the following presentation:

Section 3.04 of the City Charter states that “The council shall elect from its members, a Mayor and Vice Mayor” and “the City Administrator shall conduct the election of the Mayor”. The Council has traditionally followed Roberts Rules of Order when conducting meeting and elections.

Based on the Roberts Rules of Order process, the City Administrator will open up the floor for nominations of Mayor. Council members will be invited to nominate any council member including themselves. No second is required for a nomination. Once nominations have been completed the City Administrator will close nominations. Any nominee for Mayor may decline such nomination.

The City Administrator will then offer an opportunity for any audience member or council member who wishes to speak to make comment at this time. Upon completion of receiving comment, the City Administrator will request a hand vote (raising of the right arm) for each nominee based on the order in which they were received at time of nomination until three or more votes are made for a nominee.

Mr. Drury opened the floor to nominations for Mayor.

Walter Price nominated Lori Pfister.

Lori Pfister declined the nomination and nominated Amanda Boggus.

There were no more nominations and Mr. Drury closed nominations.

Mr. Drury asked for comments from the audience. There were none.

Mr. Drury asked for comments from the Council. There were none.

Amanda Boggus was elected Mayor by a show of hands 5-0.

Mr. Drury passed the gavel to Mayor Boggus.

ELECTION OF VICE MAYOR

Tab 4. Election of Vice Mayor

Mayor Boggus opened the floor to nominations for Vice Mayor.

Troy Singer nominated Lou Buigas.

Lori Pfister nominated herself.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the audience.

Diana Aten, 714 N. St Clair Abrams Avenue, Tavares, congratulated Mayor Boggus and noted her support for Lori Pfister as Vice Mayor.

Don Kehr, 16833 Deer Island Road, Lake County, congratulated Mayor Boggus and said both Council Member Buigas and Council Member Pfister are terrific choices for the position of Vice Mayor. He noted his support for Council Member Pfister to serve in the position.

Michael J. Watkins, 805 Summerall Avenue, Tavares, congratulated the new Council members. He said Council Member Buigas deserves an opportunity to expand her experience. He noted his support for Lou Buigas to serve in the position.

David Serdar, 866 Wintergreen Drive, Fruitland Park, congratulated the new council members and said whoever is chosen will be best to serve.

Kelly Singer, 205 Lakecrest Drive, noted her support for rotation in the position and said whoever serves as Vice Mayor should be present at meetings and public events.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the Council.

Council Member Singer said he had the honor and privilege of serving as Mayor and Vice Mayor in the past and said one learns a great deal when serving in the positions. Council Member Singer congratulated Mayor Boggus and said Council Member Pfister has served many years on the Council as Mayor and Vice Mayor. He noted his support for Council Member Buigas.

Mayor Boggus said with either choice it will be a win for the City.

Lou Buigas was elected Vice Mayor by a show of hands 3-2 as follows:

Amanda Boggus: Yes

Lou Buigas: Yes

Lori Pfister: No

Walter Price: No
Troy Singer: Yes

SUNSHINE LAW/ETHICS UPDATE

Tab 5. Sunshine and Ethics Law Update

Attorney Williams reviewed public records laws, Government in the Sunshine laws, gift laws, and ethics laws. He provided an update on public meetings including the requirement of quorums and criteria for attending virtually.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Tab 6. Recognition of Tavares Middle School Cross Country Team

Mr. Aldrich said the Tavares Middle School Cross Country team consisting of Girls & Boys JV, and Girls & Boys varsity all recently competed in the 2020 FLYRA Florida State Cross Country Championships – Public School Division, and received the following placings:

- Girls JV – 2nd place in the Public School Division (6th Overall Open Division)
- Boys JV – 1st place in the Public School Division (7th Overall Open Division)
- Girls Varsity – 3rd place in the Public School Division
- Boys Varsity – 3rd place in the Public School Division

Members of the cross-country teams were recognized with a special ceremony on the lawn in Ridge Park. Awards were presented by Pete Sherrard, Tavares Recreation Manager, and Tavares Middle School Coaches Kevin Von Maxey and April Von Maxey.

Tab 7. Tavares Chamber of Commerce Update

Mr. Berry provided a 2020 Chamber update with the following highlights:

- Reviewed the immediate actions taken by the Chamber at the onset of Covid-19
- 336 Members with 2 new members joining during the past week
- Lost 51% of revenue due to cancelled events and persevered due to partnership with the City and Trustees
- Reduced hours while maintaining productivity.

Mr. Berry said the Chamber looks forward to resuming a full event schedule in 2021.

V. SWEARING IN BY CITY ATTORNEY AND DISCLOSURE OF EXPARTE COMMUNICATIONS

Attorney Williams stated there were no quasi-judicial matters before Council.

VI. READING OF ALL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS INTO THE RECORD

Ms. Novack read the following Ordinances and Resolutions by title only:

RESOLUTION 2020-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE 2020 FISCAL YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TAVARES, REPRESENTING THE FINAL AMENDMENT TO THE ADOPTED BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE 2020-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES AMENDING THE CITY OF TAVARES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ITS ENTIRETY PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES , CHAPTER 163; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF TAVARES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN 2040, INCLUDING AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT AND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP 2020, THE HOUSING ELEMENT, THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT, THE TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT, THE PUBLIC FACILITIES ELEMENT, THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, THE CONCURRENCY ELEMENT, AND THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT; PROVIDING FOR CREATION OF A RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT; INCLUSIVE OF ALL ASSOCIATED TABLES, EXHIBITS AND MAPS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION

Lou Buigas moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Walter Price. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Tab 8. Approval of October 21, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

VIII. RESOLUTIONS

Tab 9. Resolution 2020-25 – Final Budget Amendment for FY2020

Ms. Houghton made the following presentation:

Resolution 2020-25 represents increases and/or decreases to the Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2020. Appropriation increases represent capital projects, and prior year/project encumbrance rollovers. In addition, the Resolution also reflects transfers between individual accounts within adopted budgets for all departments.

This resolution represents the THIRD AND FINAL AMENDMENT to the Adopted Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the audience. There were none.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the Council. There were none.

MOTION

Lori Pfister moved to approve [Resolution 2020-25], seconded by Troy Singer. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

IX. ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING

First Reading

Second Reading

Tab 10. Ordinance 2020-10 – Comprehensive Plan Update 2040 – Second Reading/Adoption

Mr. Fitzgerald made the following presentation:

Florida growth management legislation requires local governments to maintain a comprehensive plan that provides the policy foundation for local planning and land use decisions. The comprehensive plan presents a vision for the future with long range goals and objectives that affect local government. Included in the comprehensive plan are elements pertaining to future land use, transportation, housing, recreation & open space, public facilities, capital improvements, conservation, and intergovernmental coordination.

City Council directed staff to complete the process of updating the City of Tavares Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes (F.S.), and on December 5, 2018 approved the scope of services of Kimley-Horn consulting firm to assist staff in completing this task estimated to take approximately two (2) years. The process included hosting multiple visioning workshops providing the Public and the Comprehensive Plan Committee, made up of City and County stakeholders, the opportunity to express ideas about the future of Tavares, and to provide input and feedback on draft elements and key issues.

At their September 2, 2020 meeting City Council voted unanimously to approve the transmittal of the draft Comprehensive Plan to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and other State reviewing agencies. The following is a summary of State agency responses:

- Florida DEO: No comments on the proposed amendment.*
- FDEP: Found no provision that, if adopted, would result in adverse impacts to important state resources subject to the Department's jurisdiction.*
- FDOT: Proposed amendment is not anticipated to result in significant adverse impacts to the State Highway System (SHS) or the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS); the Department has no technical assistance comments.*
- SJWMD: No comments on the proposed amendment; provided technical assistance regarding regional water supply.*
- Department of Education: No comments received*
- Department of State: No comments received*
- East Central Florida Regional Planning Council: No comments received*
- Lake County: No comments received*

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity has authorized the City of Tavares to adopt the proposed Comprehensive Plan 2040.

Ordinance 2020-10 proposes the adoption of the new comprehensive plan for the City of Tavares entitled "Taking Flight – Comprehensive Plan 2040" replacing in its entirety the City's Comprehensive Plan 2020 adopted on June 6, 2001.

Staff recommends approval of Option 1 - City Council moves to approve Ordinance 2020-10 adopting the new comprehensive plan for the City of Tavares entitled "Taking Flight – Comprehensive Plan 2040" inclusive of all associated tables, exhibits, and maps, and replacing in its entirety the City's Comprehensive Plan 2020.

Mr. Fitzgerald introduced Kelly Klepper and Mike Vaudo, Kimley Horn Representatives.

Mr. Klepper provided a brief presentation of the Comprehensive Plan 2040 Update. He said once adopted it will be transferred back to state and regional agencies for formal adoption.

Mr. Drury asked that the three PowerPoint slides provided by Mr. Kehr be displayed.

Don Kehr, 16833 Deer Island Road, Lake County, provided a handout to the Council depicting three PowerPoint slides that were displayed for the audience. Mr. Kehr said he represented the Shirley Shores Community Group, LLC that is made up of over 2000 residents within the City of Tavares Interlocal Boundary Service Area (ISBA). He said he enjoyed participating in the planning committee and said Council is deciding on what

the City will be over the next twenty years and noted a tremendous amount of work has gone into the plan. He said planning was conducted prior to the Covid-19 pandemic and noted people are moving to Florida from metropolitan areas in the northeast United States due to high taxation and fear. He said these individuals are coming to Tavares to purchase nice homes and live in wealthy areas. He said the plan is skewed to high density residential housing with 52% of residential housing at 25 units per acre over the next twenty years. He said 25 units per acres equates to 4 story 800 to 1,000 square foot homes that will most likely be low-end apartments. He said market demand has changed significantly in the last year and the city is planning in the wrong direction.

Mr. Kehr referred to his presented maps and said the lakeside mixed use property is 1,352 located eight miles from the downtown. He said the residential component of the property is located at the corner of Shirley Shores and East Shirley Shores and he does not see the city building four to six story buildings at that corner. He said the zoning in the area is a minimum of one unit on five acres and asked if the city is going to place 2,500 homes or apartments with twenty-five units per acre next to all of the existing homes. He requested consideration be postponed or delayed to provide an opportunity for area residents to express themselves. He said he understood the city had lots of time to complete the plan as he participated in the meetings, and noted a concern that only he and two others in the area attended public meetings besides himself.

TJ Fish, 1110 Juniper Court, Tavares, said he is a professional planner who previously worked for the City of Tavares. Mr. Fish his biggest concern was the encouragement of suburban sprawl as Lake County and especially South Lake had experienced an erosion of community of character with orange groves replaced with subdivisions and not neighborhoods. He said part of the balancing act is dealing with property rights when establishing and determining future land use designations and zoning and noted some properties have existing entitlements. He said the City has a good product worth adoption and noted there were no objections from the state. He said the city is doing a great job in planning for the future. He noted the plan is the City's plan that includes capital improvements, facilities, housing, environmental, and transportation components. He said policies within the plan are more important than the zoning minutia. He noted the plan includes multi modal implementation with transportation and an emphasis on biking and pedestrian, mixed use, and density in the right places that support development in the local economy. He stated his support and applauded the City's efforts.

Vance Jochim, 12619, Milwaukee Avenue, Lake County, said he has not read the Comprehensive Plan and was relying on Mr. Kehr's comments. He cautioned the Council to honor expectations that if land owners are on one or more acres that there would be no four-story buildings next to them.

Gary Santoro, Royal Harbor, said the Comprehensive Plan is not perfect but it is a good document. He noted the city should purchase property along the 448 corridor before the land prices get too high as there may be a future need for a Fire Department and Police Substation in area.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the Council.

Council Member Pfister said she does not like the idea of placing 25 homes per acre in an area with one house to every five acres. She said the majority of the residents in the area are not in support and are willing to pay higher taxes to not have as many houses. She said those residents wish to keep their community small. Councilmember Pfister noted her concern for increasing homes by 58% over 20 years.

Mr. Drury asked if it is fair to say that the unincorporated area in the ISBA does not have an overlay of future land uses. Mr. Fitzgerald said no, and noted there is nothing in the Shirley Shores area that is 25 units per acre.

Mr. Drury said there is an incorporated city boundary area and there are unincorporated areas in the City's ISBA. He said every time a property owner wants to sell their property, annex into the city, and complete a project they have to come before the Planning and Zoning Board and City Council. At that time the property owner will ask for an appropriate zoning and land use from a menu of options to choose from. The property owner will then go to the Planning and Zoning Board, and they will recommend to the Council whether it is compatible with the surrounding property and whether it is a good use of the property. The request will then come to the City Council for consideration at which time the Council will have an opportunity to decide whether it is compatible and good planning for the surrounding property. He said the Council is not setting the future land use on unincorporated rural lands as that happens when someone wants to voluntarily annex into the City. Mr. Fitzgerald confirmed and said the area that abuts Shirley Shores Road and East Shirley Shores Road is part of the lakeside mixed use land use. He referred to page 1-17, paragraph 3, of the Comprehensive Plan and said the residential area was previously set by Council at 1.5 dwelling units per gross acre and not 25 units per acre. He said 25 units per acre is within the downtown core area and he would not propose or recommend 25 units per acre in the Shirley Shores area. Mr. Fitzgerald noted a request of 25 units per acre would probably not make it to Council for consideration.

Council Member Price asked if the Shirley Shores area was not going to be high density and instead 1.5 dwelling units per acre. Mr. Fitzgerald confirmed and said the 1,352 acres was previously designated as residential at 1.5 units per acre.

Council Member Price asked if the projection for the City is roughly 8,400 homes to 13,000 homes over the next 20 years, with 50% of those are going to be in one development. Mr. Fitzgerald said the projection for the total amount of land use currently set in the city, with a full build, could potentially be 13,000 homes. Council Member Price asked if those 5,000 new units at full buildout would include 2,500 homes in one development. He asked where the 2,500 homes would be included per the DIA 1-7 Date Inventory page of the plan. Mr. Fitzgerald said the 2,500 acres would not just be in the Shirley Shores area and what was annexed into the City includes 1,352 acres from the blueberry farm to Jack Street.

Mr. Drury said the 1,352 acres was annexed into the city many years ago and at the time 60% included wetlands with 40% developable. The property owner asked to build out at some time in the future.

Mr. Klepper said the lakeside mixed use designation approved in the previous Comprehensive Plan was not altered because the densities and intensities were already approved by the state as well as the City. He said for that reason there was a focus on redevelopment which is why there is a higher density identified in and around the core of the downtown. He said the 25 units per acre is in the downtown area and immediate adjacent tiers.

Council Member Pfister inquired about the location of the lakeside mixed use designation. Mr. Klepper said the high-density lakeside mixed use is in the downtown, and when looking at water for the land use category based on the land use element 1-2, the mixed use identifies 25 dwelling units per acres. He said that is not the lakeside mixed use and is just the mixed use which is a separate land use category. Mr. Klepper said the lakeside mixed use is one of those areas with special and unique consideration that has previously adopted policies and entitlements and is the reason it was left alone and the focus was moved to the downtown within new mixed-use areas.

Council Member Price said his concern was not 25 units per acre and instead 2,500 units. He referred to the employment area, village center, and residential aspects of the 1,352 acres and said if the property will have 1.5 units per acre his concern is where the additional 2,000 to 2,300 will be placed.

Mr. Klepper referred to page 1-19 of the plan and said there is a significant amount of designated wetland which includes entitlements. He said the residential area has a designation of 1.5 units per acre. He said the concept is not new or novel and the goal is to create a compact mixed-use village within the environmental setting. He said transportation, population, and utility projections would have to be accounted for, and those projections have been factored into the city's level of service as well as the permitting of water, wastewater, and city services.

Council Member Price asked if the infrastructure is in place to handle 2,500 residential units in that area. Mr. Klepper said the infrastructure will be in place at some point and the City will have to have a financially feasible capital improvement plan that takes into consideration the population projections. He said provisions are included that if the level of service cannot be met then the development cannot be approved.

Council Member Price asked if any multi-story buildings would be placed in the village or employment centers and not in the residential zoned areas. Mr. Klepper confirmed.

Council Member Pfister asked if there is any conservation area that is not designated as wetland. Mr. Klepper confirmed and said there is additional open space beyond the

wetlands which is also as part of the Land Development Code provisions. Mr. Fitzgerald confirmed.

Council Member Price asked where the entrance to the ingress egress by the blueberry farm or off Shirley Shores Road will be located. Mr. Klepper said he would have to look at the previous plan transportation networks to see where the access points are identified. Council Member Price said there would be a lot of traffic for either road. Mr. Klepper said the mobility level of service will have to meet transportation standards. If there is limited capacity on the roadway or sidewalks, improvements will have to either be identified in the capital improvement plan or installed.

Mayor Boggus said it is her understanding the lakeside mixed use Mr. Kehr referenced has already been approved and zoned. Mr. Fitzgerald confirmed and said it is part of the previous comprehensive plan being adopted into the new comprehensive plan. Mayor Boggus said no changes or petitions have been made to alter the zoning. Mr. Fitzgerald confirmed.

MOTION

Troy Singer moved to adopt the Comprehensive Plan [Ordinance 2020-10] as-is, seconded by Lou Buigas. The motion carried 3-2 as follows:

Amanda Boggus: Yes
Lou Buigas: Yes
Lori Pfister: No
Walter Price: No
Troy Singer: Yes

X. GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Tab 11. Board Appointments – Police and Fire Pension Boards

Mayor Boggus made the following presentation:

Fire Pension Board: One Council appointed seat on the Fire Pension Board is expiring November 2020. This appointment will be a four year term expiring November 2024. Jim Sweezea submitted a letter of request for reappointment.

Police Pension Board: One Council appointed seat on the Police Pension board is expiring November 2020. This appointment will be a two year term expiring November 2022. Art VanDerStuyf submitted a letter of request for reappointment.

These appointments are recommended by the Mayor and ratified by the City Council. The positions were advertised in the Daily Commercial and on the City website. No new applications were received.

Mayor Boggus for comments from the Council. There was none.

MOTION

Lori Pfister moved to approve [the re-appointment of Jim Sweeza to the Fire Pension Board], seconded by Lou Buigas. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the Council. There was none.

MOTION

Troy Singer moved to approve the re-appointment [of Art VanderStuyf to the Police Pension Board], seconded by Lou Buigas. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Tab 12. Discuss Removal of Fluoride from Drinking Water

Mr. Clark made the following presentation:

It is a long running debate as to whether Municipalities should add fluoride to the public drinking water. On the one hand large amounts of Fluoride is known to be a toxic and corrosive substance. On the other hand, where only a small amount is added to drinking water, it is known to be beneficial to children's teeth. Some argue that fluoride be applied topical and not ingested. The City receives concerns from residents that disapprove of fluoride being put in the city's drinking water. There is much publicized on this subject.

Tavares, Eustis and Umatilla are the only water systems in Lake County that still add Fluoride to their drinking water.

Mayor Boggus asked for comments from the audience.

Ron Weltmer, 14434 Lake Junietta Drive, Lake County, said he is not in support of fluoride in drinking water as he is in ill health. He cited a 2018 news article on health issues caused by fluoride in water. He asked the Council to remove fluoride from City water.

T.J. Fish, 1110 Juniper Court, Tavares, said he is not in support of placing fluoride in water. He provided a brief historical review of fluoride and said he purchases bottle water.

Dr. Wade Winker, 15 W. Atwater, Eustis, stated he is in support of including fluoride in water. He provided medical and population statistics from the American Dental Association and said fluoride is the most effective health initiative ever implemented.

Dr. Susan Caddell, 30827 Fairview Avenue, Lake County, stated her support of including fluoride in City drinking water. She noted the health benefits to children she

and her family assisted through school dental programs. She provided information on dental decay and the said fluoride is essentially a vaccine for decay.

Belinda Rink, 216 Fern Avenue, Tavares, stated her concern for children whose families cannot afford dental care. She said she was in support of including fluoride in City water.

Gary Santoro, Royal Harbor, Tavares, said there are pros and cons either way and suggested a committee to study the topic to make an informed decision.

Vance Jochim, 12619 Milwaukee Avenue, Lake County, said water filters should be discussed.

David Serdar, 66 Wintergreen Drive, Fruitland Park, noted his support for dental care for children.

Vice Mayor Buigas said she is in support of holding a workshop to make an educated decision. She noted a concern for the underserved population and said she believes the Britta water system removes fluoride from drinking water.

Council Member Price said he recently determined he personally did not want to ingest fluoride after reading articles and conducting further research. He said most bottled water include fluoride with the exception of Zero water. He said he does not see a need to continue including fluoride in the City drinking water.

Council Member Pfister noted her concern for underprivileged children when there is scientific evidence fluoride assists in combatting decay.

Council Member Singer said it appears there are more pros than cons to include fluoride. He asked if it will benefit the majority of population to take out or leave in and said it is tough decision.

Vice Mayor Buigas asked when Tavares started putting fluoride in the water. Mr. Clark said approximately twenty-five years ago.

MOTION

Lori Pfister moved to leave fluoride in water, seconded by Lou Buigas. The motion carried 4-1 as follows:

Amanda Boggus:	Yes
Lou Buigas:	Yes
Lori Pfister:	Yes
Walter Price:	No
Troy Singer:	Yes

XII. NEW BUSINESS

XIII. OLD BUSINESS

XV. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

David Serdar, 66 Wintergreen Drive, Fruitland Park, said you can be happy if you put your mind to it, and you cannot make everyone happy.

Richard Annese, 3152 Bayou Lane, Tavares, Treasurer Etowah Homeowners Association, said Mayor Boggus runs a good meeting. He said he will be attending meetings in the future.

XVI. REPORTS

Tab 13. City Administrator Report

Mr. Drury said the Council meetings will be held in the Civic Center throughout December with livestreaming from the Council Chambers in January 2021. He said the annual Christmas parade will be held December 5, 2020.

Mr. Aldrich provided an update on the Christmas lighting installation in the downtown.

Mr. Tweedie said two sections of the floating dock have been placed in the water at the Wootton Park Seaplane Base and Marina.

Tab 14. City Council Member Reports

Council Member Pfister congratulated Mayor Boggus and Vice Mayor Buigas. She welcomed Council Member Price to the Board.

Council Member Price thanked the citizens for their support as well as former Council Member Stevenson for his service on the Council and Planning and Zoning Board. He thanked his wife for her support over the past 44 years.

Council Member Singer said he enjoyed the Tavares Middle School Track Team presentation and thanked Mr. Aldrich, his staff, and the team coaches.

Vice Mayor Buigas congratulated Council Member Price and Council Member Pfister. She said the Monster Splash fly-in was a wonderful event and it was good to see the downtown thriving.

Quote of the Day: "Gratitude is a quality similar to electricity: it must be produced and discharged and used up in order to exist at all." ~William Falkner

Those present wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and Mayor Boggus adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully,

Susie Novack, MMC, FCRM
City Clerk