

**Laura Aldrich**

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Dear Residents and Interested Parties,

The first news if you haven't already heard is that there is a new mayor in town. The **Council appointed Tom Slater** as the resident to fill the Council vacancy created by Brian Barefoot's resignation. Then the new 5-member Council selected **Councilman Slater to be the Mayor**. Mike Ochsner retained the Vice Mayor position.

- Chief Rosell is visiting home/property owner associations upon request with a **safety presentation**. Please contact him at 772-231-2451.
- The **FL Dept. of Transportation is conducting an open meeting on Tuesday, July 10 at 9 a.m.** in the Council Chambers about the **A1A Milling & Resurfacing project**. This will take place in the latter half of the year from **Tides Road in Vero Beach to County Road 510 in Wabasso**, and will include a **new 6' wide concrete sidewalk** on the **EAST** side the whole way. The **fully actuated traffic light/pedestrian walkway** at Beachcomber/Fred Tuerk will be constructed as part of this project. The announcement is posted on the calendar on the Town meetings page of our website (also attached).
- The **Collective Bargaining process** for the Public Safety Department is underway for the contract year 2018-2021.
- The **Finance Committee** will meet Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and possibly also on the 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m., the **Planning, Zoning & Variance Board** meets Monday, May 14 at 2, and the **Council meets again** Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

The noteworthy actions that took place at the Town Council meeting on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> are as follows:

- An ordinance **requiring residential recycling** passed first reading. It is found [on our website](#) or bulletin board in its entirety.
- The **reuse water pipeline** that is in the planning stages from the mainland to Old Winter Beach Road for John's Island and possibly other neighborhoods was discussed briefly.
- The Republic Services contract **for recycling services** was extended through October.
- The contractor was selected for the **Community Center rebuild**, which will begin soon and could take anywhere from 8 months to a year. Summit Construction was chosen after careful and thorough value engineering efforts from Committee Chairman **Jerry Weick**.
- A contracted **part-time building inspector** will be brought in to assist the new **Building Official, Rob Perry** (Jose Guanch's last day is May 4<sup>th</sup>) and the part time structural inspector, Kernie Fuller.
- Datapath was present to give an update to the **cell tower progress**, bringing good news that **AT&T** is also under contract to place equipment. There has been some delay with the electric lines due to the close proximity to the water tower. A revised placement plan is in process as **Verizon** has their equipment being custom made to install at the top of the tower. The common question of "**When?**" is still non-specifically answered, with best guesses of sometime in 2018.

The website page for [safety and weather alerts](#) has been updated, and we encourage you to sign up for the Indian River County emergency alerts if you have not yet done so. The link is on the first line of the page. Your Town Council page is also now corrected with the new Mayor and brief biography on each member.

Respectfully yours,

*Laura*

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