The meeting of the Orange Park Town Council was called to order in the Town Hall Council Chambers at 7 p.m. with Mayor Connie Thomas presiding. This meeting was done through video conferencing technology pursuant to Governor DeSantis’ March 20, 2020 Executive Order.

Other Councilmembers present were Vice-Mayor Alan Watt, Councilman Randy Anderson, Councilman Roland Mastandrea and Councilman Eddie Henley. Also in attendance were Town Manager Sarah Campbell, Attorney Sam Garrison of Bradley, Garrison & Komando and Town Clerk Courtney Russo.

The invocation was given by Councilman Anderson, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**UPDATE ON COVID-19**

Ms. Campbell stated the Town has returned to full staffing as of yesterday morning. Town Hall is open. We are accepting customers but are limiting it to only 10 people in the building at a time. Clarke Park and Town Hall Park are open for passive use. The basketball courts and playgrounds remain closed. She updated Council on the donation that they made at the last meeting. She stated she talked to people at the County about Council’s wishes and worked through those. She stated she felt that the County could meet those wishes and desires, so they donated the $10,000 to Clay County. The County partners with Fresh from Florida for fresh fruits and vegetables and they use funds to make purchases for canned goods and those were assembled at the Clay Fairgrounds into family food boxes. Each box feeds a family of four people for seven days. Those were distributed at four or five distribution centers throughout the County. She stated the distribution center in the Town was at Celebration Church. She stated she should be getting some data from the County about how many meals that they provided and what the donation went toward. She addressed upcoming events. She stated they spoke with Gloria Hackett’s grandson, who funds the Memorial Day event, and he understands the situation that we are in and there are no concerns from the family if we choose to not have the Memorial Day event this year. She stated if Council has a strong opinion to do something, they could do a flag ceremony or wreath laying, where just the Councilmembers would be present. She stated they recommend not having a Memorial Day Ceremony. She discussed Kids Fest. She stated they have decided to postpone Kids Fest to make it more of a back-to-school event in August. She stated John Capes has let them know that the Fourth of July event has been canceled and the Moosehaven campus will be closed. She stated Mr. Capes would still consider doing a fireworks display. She stated staffed talked about that and how it would work logistically and didn’t see a great way on how to move forward on that and still comply with social distancing. She stated they would still like to celebrate as a community and suggested the possibility of a vehicular parade. She stated Moosehaven is considering saving the fireworks for something later in the year like Labor Day. She stated Council has an upcoming meeting next Tuesday night. It is a special meeting to talk about the visioning SWOT analysis. It is a virtual meeting. Invites have been sent out to Council and department heads. She discussed
the Planning and Zoning Board meetings scheduled for May 14. She asked Council how they would like to proceed with that. She discussed their options. She stated the meeting could be held in person. The board, staff and applicant would be present in the room. The public could address the board in public. She stated they could defer the meeting until June; however, they don’t know how things will look in June either. The third option would be to do the meeting virtually. She stated staff has struggled with that option and the Zoom option would be difficult. She also discussed the next regular Council meeting scheduled for May 19. She stated this will be the meeting where Council reorganizes. She stated everything done at that meeting can be done virtually.

Councilman Anderson stated he supports the Planning and Zoning Board meeting being in person, whether it is this month or next.

Councilman Henley stated Council’s donation went to the County. He stated some of that trickled back to the Town and went to Celebration Church. He talked about other non-profits in the Town that did not get anything. He talked about Saving Wisdom, a non-profit in the Town. He stated they have been working with several local businesses to help them get back to work and feed people in the community.

Councilman Henley moved to donate $5000 to the non-profit Saving Wisdom. Mayor Thomas seconded the motion.

Mayor Thomas stated the Clothes Closet did not receive any of the donation either.

Councilman Mastandrea discussed Town resident Daniel Cobreiro, who runs Saving Wisdom. He stated they have been doing great work for the community during this time.

Mayor Thomas stated she would like to see some of the money go to the Clothes Closet.

Mayor Thomas moved to amend the motion to donate $2500 to Saving Wisdom and $2500 to the Clothes Closet. Councilman Mastandrea seconded the motion.

Councilman Henley stated he was fine with that amendment.

Mayor Thomas stated the two organization could get together and talk.

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A roll call vote was done.
Councilman Mastandrea addressed the upcoming Planning and Zoning Board meeting and asked for clarification on what the options were.

Ms. Campbell explained the options which included having the meeting in person, deferring until June, or doing it virtually.

Councilman Mastandrea stated staff would bring a person in to speak one by one to address the board in Chambers. He stated we should be in Phase 2 soon. He stated we have postponed this long enough. He made a motion that the Planning and Zoning Board be held in person on May 14.

Vice-Mayor Watt asked if audio speakers could be set up outside.

Ms. Campbell explained that there are already speakers built in. There are speakers in the lobby and the exterior of the Council Chambers. She stated it has been a long time since they have had to use them; it was 2008 during the poker room discussions that they were used.

Vice-Mayor Watt seconded the motion.

Councilman Henley agreed having the meeting in person was the best option. He stated they need to hear from as many people as possible.

Councilman Anderson stated this is the right path. He recommended that Council stay away from that meeting and let the board do its job.

Attorney Garrison stated property owners and citizens have the right to be heard. He stated with land use matters, there are two public hearings. He stated the first one will be at the Planning and Zoning Board. The first reading of the ordinance will go to Council at their next meeting, and the second reading and final public hearing will be at Council’s June 2 meeting. He stated there will be a 10-person limit in the Chambers. He stated the County is having a planning and zoning meeting tonight through Microsoft Teams. He stated he would like to have our meeting in person if possible so they can have in person comments. He stated people will be allowed to speak in person, but we should also allow people to call in or send in written comments.

Ms. Campbell stated staff will be in the hallway helping speakers go and in out of the chambers. She stated everyone will have a chance to be heard.

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A roll call vote was done.
Attorney Garrison stated Planning and Zoning is just advisory. Council ultimately makes the final decision. He stated we are going to have to be flexible as it relates to how we have our meetings when dealing with land use issues.

Mayor Thomas discussed the May 19 Council meeting.

Ms. Campbell stated the Governor extended the order which allowed video conferencing technology during the state of emergency. She stated if anything changes, she would inform Council. She stated Council can meet on May 19 in person but will be limited to 10 people in the room.

Attorney Garrison stated if we move to Phase 2, that could create more expansive opportunities for people, and we may be able to allow more people in the room.

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Mayor Thomas discussed having a parade for the Fourth of July.

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Councilman Anderson stated people are walking along River Road and are having a hard time with social distancing on the sidewalks. He stated he would like to have some discussion on closing River Road or at least a portion of it.

Councilman Henley asked if the Town has authority to close the road.

Ms. Campbell stated it is Town right-of-way.

Councilman Anderson stated those that live on River Road would still be able to access the road.
Mayor Thomas asked if there has been any educational information put out regarding social distancing best practices.

Ms. Campbell stated she received some comments early on about gatherings at the end of Kingsley East. She stated police stepped up their patrol in that area, and they didn’t really see large gatherings in that area. She asked for clarification from Councilman Anderson on whether he is recommending closing the portion in front of Moosehaven or is he thinking bigger than that.

Councilman Anderson stated he is fine with either option; he is just bringing it up for discussion. He stated if people are walking towards each other, someone is going to have to step into the road in order to social distance themselves. He stated this is a safety procedure that can be put in place for now.

Councilman Henley asked who is going to monitor who goes in and out.

Vice-Mayor Watt asked for clarification that the recommendation is to close the road for vehicles and not people. He stated that is something that Chief Goble will have to figure out how to enforce. He stated we want people to get out and exercise and get fresh air. He stated when people are outside you don’t have the same issues as if you are in a small space. He stated closing the road would not be a good idea.

Mayor Thomas stated she thinks getting out educational information on proper social distancing would be beneficial. They need to talk more about giving people space.

Councilman Anderson moved to temporarily close River Road until the Governor loosens the social distancing requirements. The motion died for lack of a second.

Mayor Thomas moved to provide further education about social distancing when out walking.

Ms. Campbell asked what Mayor Thomas was looking for as far as implementation.

Mayor Thomas stated she would like to see some social media posts about social distancing.

Councilman Mastandrea seconded the motion.

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Councilman Anderson addressed garbage he has seen around the parking spaces on Kingsley East. He stated there seems to be more trash with more people out walking. He stated he has only seen one trash can in that area.

Ms. Campbell stated she would look into that.

**STORMWATER UPDATE-JONES EDMUNDS**

Mr. Brian Icerman, Jones Edmunds, updated Council on the Stormwater Master Plan. They will review potential improvements and recommendations. He stated they have been working on the stormwater program for a couple years. He briefly spoke about the performance summary. A good portion of the basins are rated A, but there are some areas that are in need of improvements. He addressed the problem areas in Town. He stated at a previous Council meeting, Council wanted to focus on the Bellair neighborhood, Dudley Branch north of Kingsley Avenue, and Dudley Branch/Johnson Slough area. He stated after discussions with staff, for now, they are delaying the Bellair area and only addressing the other two areas. He stated the Bellair area has some complex challenges, and that is an area that they are going to have to bring the County to the table. He summarized the goals for improvements and the improvement benefits.

Mr. Jarrod Hirneise, Jones Edmunds, addressed the existing drainage around Dudley Branch north of Kingsley. He discussed proposed improvements. He then addressed the existing drainage summary for the Dudley Branch/Johnson Slough area. He discussed project alternatives.

Mr. Icerman discussed near term projects and the costs. He addressed short and medium range planning.

Mayor Thomas asked if any of the 35 homes that were addressed in the presentation were part of the Voluntary Home Buyout Program.

Ms. Campbell stated Jones Edmunds had not received the list of homes that were participating in the program but would share it with them.

Councilman Henley asked if this program is going to take about 5 years from start to finish.

Mr. Icerman stated the duration would be up to the Town.

Ms. Campbell stated it will cost $8.5 million to pay for all the projects. She stated it would take 21 years to complete if we use only the stormwater fee to fund these projects.
AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Councilman Anderson clarified what his motion was earlier. He stated he wanted to close River Road to make it more inviting for walkers. He stated he wanted to close it off from traffic, and not the walkers.

Ms. Heather Young, 2256 Furma Street, Orange Park, stated she loves the Town and how quaint it is. She stated it is growing so fast, but it is best to keep it small and quiet. She stated they need to be careful with zoning changes. She talked about Pismo Beach, California. She stated it is a cute little town. She stated they are diligent with their zoning sizes there. She stated there is already a lot of traffic on River Road and Bellair, so imagine what Kingsley would be like if this big development gets built.

Mr. Kenny Radwanski, 2061 Azalea Lane, Orange Park, pledged $500 to Saving Wisdom to be used in the Town. He asked Council to think about donating $10,000 to Saving Wisdom at the next meeting and that it be spent in the Town. He stated Jones Edmunds did a great job. He addressed Councilmembers that use their public office position for other things. He addressed ethics and monetary gain from developments. He stated 2 years ago, the Town Council allocated $55,000 for a small community pool. He stated Council allocated $35,000 for a digital sign at Town Hall. He asked what happened to the pool. He stated a digital sign was not more important. He reminded Council that they swore on an oath. He stated at the next meeting, Councilman Anderson should become Mayor and Councilman Henley should be Vice-Mayor. They are dynamic people.

Mr. Daniel Cobreiro, 2270 Kensington Place, Orange Park, stated he agrees with Councilman Anderson that something needs to be done on River Road with all of the walkers. He stated it is hard to keep six feet apart. He stated he was walking out there last week, and stepped into the roadway to pass people, and the police department requested that he walk on the sidewalk. He stated they should at least close the section in front of Moosehaven. He thanked Council for their donation to Saving Wisdom. He talked about the charity and the work they have done so far during the COVID crisis. He stated he was excited when the Town set aside $10,000 to help people during the crisis but was hurt to hear that it went to the County. He stated he was glad that some of it came back to the Town. He requested a breakdown of where all the money went. He would like to see what went to the Town. He discussed Memorial Day. He stated he would like to see something done, like live streaming a flag ceremony and post it on social media. He stated he was glad to hear they are still doing something for the Fourth of July. He discussed the upcoming Planning and Zoning Board meeting. He suggested moving the meeting outside, so then they are not limited to a certain amount of people and can keep with the six-foot social distancing.

Ms. Russo read written comments that were submitted. They included:
Ms. Samantha Mahler, 1553 Leestan Court, Orange Park, wrote about her concerns and opposition of the proposed Orange Park Plaza development. She also addressed her concerns that some Councilmembers may be violating the Sunshine Law and may have personal stakes in the Orange Park Plaza project.

Ms. Mary Anne Johnson, 2224 Gabriel Drive, Orange Park, wrote about her opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Ms. Darlene Walker, 2640 Holly Point Road West, Orange Park, wrote about her opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development and stated any vote should be postpone until the public can be there.

Mr. Donald Okuley and Mrs. Judy Okuley, 2212 Foxwood Drive, wrote about their opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Ms. Barbara Reider, 1547 Jenmar Court, Orange Park, wrote about her opposition and concerns with the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Eugene Nix, 862 River Road, Orange Park, wrote about the Town’s zoning code. He addressed the proposed project on Kingsley Avenue and the problems it would bring.

Mr. Scott Geeser and Mrs. Melanie Geeser, 401 Stiles Avenue, Orange Park, wrote about their opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Ms. Suzanna Kouchakjy, 1549 Sheffield Place, Orange Park, wrote about her concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Ronald Rees, 2367 Birdwood Drive, Orange Park, wrote about his concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Pete Johnston and Mrs. Shirley Johnston, 1563 Sheffield Place, Orange Park, wrote about their concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Tim Kelley and Mrs. Ilona Kelley, 1313 Black Gum Court, Orange Park, wrote about their concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Duane Steiner, 769 Winfred Dr. N., Orange Park, wrote about his concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

Mr. Antoine Kouchakjy, 1549 Sheffield Place, Orange Park, wrote about his concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.
Mr. Jay Heather and Mrs. Darlene Heather, 2463 Country Club Blvd, Orange Park, and own property at 1738 Grove Park Drive and 2142 Marcia Court, wrote about their concerns and opposition to the proposed Orange Park Plaza development.

APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING DATED MARCH 3, 2020

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A roll call vote was done.
DISCUSSION ON CIP PRIORITIZATION DUE TO COVID CRISIS

Ms. Campbell stated this report was provided to Council in their packet at their request. She stated they do not know what the impact on the revenues will be yet due to COVID. She stated as previously discussed, the sales tax and gas tax revenue lines have a two-month delay. She stated she expects sometime during May, they will start to see the numbers for March and then in June, we will start to see the April revenue numbers. She stated she provided Council a breakdown of each capital fund; each one has a little bit of a different funding mechanism. She went over each of the funds and addressed what is in there now. She stated staff prioritized the projects and ranked them low, medium and high priority. She stated her recommendation would be to hold off on low priority projects in the Gas Tax Fund; there is sufficient funding that has been received for the high and medium priority projects. She recommended holding off on the low and medium priority projects in in the Sales Tax Fund; there is sufficient funding to cover the high priority projects. She recommended no holds on the Stormwater and Sewer Fund and the Stormwater Fund. They are fully funded.

Councilman Anderson asked if there are signs that the Governor will be giving out any stimulus packages for towns or cities.

Ms. Campbell stated she has not heard anything from the State of Florida. She stated there has been a lot of feedback and confusion from residents about Jacksonville’s stimulus program. She clarified that the Federal CARES Act provided stimulus money directly to cities if their population was greater than 500,000. Most communities in Florida did not receive any benefits from the CARES Program.

Mayor Thomas moved to have a moratorium on any spending from the Gas Tax Fund and Sales Tax Fund until September 1, 2020. Councilman Mastandrea seconded the motion.

Councilman Anderson stated when they did the budget this past year, there was discussion on doing a mid-year look at the budget. He asked if they should wait to do anything until they have that mid-year review.

Ms. Campbell stated Council was doing mid-year budget reviews but stopped once Council was provided with monthly fiscal reports. She stated Council also talked about doing a Budget Forecasting Workshop each year after the new Council is seated. She stated the Clerk is currently looking at meeting dates for that.

Councilman Mastandrea stated the Town’s water revenue seems to be looking fine at this point. He stated the amount of revenue that the Town makes on water from the hotels, schools and restaurants is a lot. He stated with those all being closed, it is going to take awhile for that revenue to catch up. He stated we need to be fiduciarily responsible.

Vice-Mayor Watt stated there are some things that they have to do annually in terms of maintenance on our streets and utility systems. He stated he is not comfortable postponing those things. He stated it has taken the Town years to get on a smooth maintenance plan.
Ms. Campbell addressed some of her concerns. She stated she has concerns if they were to put a stop on some of the high priority projects. She stated there are some critical projects, for example, updates to the Town server that need to be done. She stated there are some streets that are currently under construction; if we have a change order to any of those projects, our hands would be tied. She stated Bay Circle, Solomon Street and Claire Lane paving/drainage projects are currently under contract and funded from the Gas Tax Fund. There could be possible change orders with these projects. She addressed the high priority projects under the Sales Tax Fund. She stated the Clarke Park Improvements are budgeted under that line item. That is for the new playground. She stated another big project that is important would be under machinery and equipment in the IT Department; that is for a server replacement. She stated she is not as worried about putting a hold on the HMGP and grant leverage. She stated even if we got that grant, she doesn’t think we would start expending funds yet. That one could probably wait.

Councilman Mastandrea stated he agrees with Vice-Mayor Watt that the maintenance items need to be done.

Ms. Campbell went over her recommendations again. She stated they should hold off on the low priority projects in the Gas Tax Fund. They should hold off on the low and medium priority projects in the Sales Tax Fund.

There was continued discussion on capital projects.

Ms. Campbell stated she has to submit the CIP to Council in the next three weeks. She stated anything Council wants to put on hold, she needs to know tonight, so she can put that in next year’s CIP and reprioritize.

Vice-Mayor Watt stated they should be conservative but does not think that there should be a total cutoff on the projects. That will hurt them in the long run.

Ms. Campbell asked Council if it would be acceptable, if they move forward with the Mayor’s motion, to put a hold on capital projects in the 302 and 306 funds until September 1 and should there be an emergency, she would report to Council at their next meeting that a capital purchase had to be made. Council all agreed that would be fine.

Councilman Anderson suggested that they also let Ms. Campbell go ahead with the top priority projects she had addressed.

Chief Barker joined the meeting and provided an update on where they are at in upgrading the server.

Councilman Anderson asked what top three projects Ms. Campbell would keep open.

Ms. Campbell stated she would keep open the R&M-Paving/Drainage line item for $165,405 and the machinery & equipment for IT projects line item. She stated those are two most important.
Mayor Thomas amended her motion to not put a hold on the R&M-Paving/Drainage line item and the machinery & equipment for IT projects line item. Councilman Mastandrea seconded the amendment.

MOTION:
To have a moratorium on any spending from the Gas Tax Fund and Sales Tax Fund until September 1, 2020, except on the R&M-Paving/Drainage line item and the machinery & equipment for IT projects line item.

RESULT: PASSED
MOVED BY: Thomas
SECONDED BY: Mastandrea
AYES: Anderson, Mastandrea, Thomas, Watt, Henley
NAYS:

A roll call vote was done.

Before moving to the next item, Councilman Anderson did a time check at 9:48 p.m.

MOTION:
To extend the meeting an additional 15 minutes, should it go past 10:00 p.m.

RESULT: PASSED
MOVED BY: Anderson
SECONDED BY: Mastandrea
AYES: Anderson, Mastandrea, Thomas, Watt, Henley
NAYS:

A roll call vote was done.

DISCUSSION ON CLAY COUNTY CDBG ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM

Ms. Campbell stated she forwarded a letter that she received from the County regarding the CDBG Program. She stated she had a conference call with the City and County Managers and the County’s grant consultants. She stated the County is interested participating in a CDBG Entitlement Program. You don’t have to apply for CDBG funds every year; you are automatically granted them because you have entitlement status. In order for the County to do this, they have to have 200,000 residents participate under their umbrella. They don’t quite meet that threshold. They only have 193,000 residents in the County. They reached out to Orange Park and Green Cove Springs to see if we were interested in partnering with them on the CDBG Entitlement Program. She stated the County would receive a lot of benefit from it. She stated one of the downsides is that once you are part of the entitlement program, you are no longer allowed to apply for your own CDBG grants. We would only get the portion that the County gives us. They are estimating that the County would get $1 million per year and that would be divided between the communities based on population.
and need. She stated she thinks that would put the Town at a disadvantage on the CDBG grants that they have already applied for or intend to apply for. She talked about the Clarke Park grant that they want to apply for that is up to $750,000. If they are part of the grant program with the County, they would not be able to apply for that grant. She stated her recommendation would be to respond to the letter and decline to participate in their CDBG Entitlement Program so that we can continue to apply for those grants independently of the County. She stated if Council needs more time to discuss that would be fine.

Councilman Mastandrea asked if we would be able to still apply for grants through the County. He asked about the Clarke Park grant. He asked what would be done through the County if we are part of the program with them.

Ms. Campbell stated if they decide to be part of the program, it would be a five-year contract. She stated as they move through the process, each entity that was participating would develop a priority list. Those would be submitted and ranked. She stated the Town would be competing against other County projects or Green Cove Springs projects for that $1 million per year. The Town would not apply to the State anymore; we would apply to the County. She stated she can’t say with certainty that the Town would get $750,000 a year; we could possibly get only $25,000. She stated the entitlement amount is set on population.

Vice-Mayor Watt stated he feels the Town would be hampered in our goals by getting involved in this program. We need our independence and ability to go after these grants ourselves.

Ms. Campbell explained that the County would no longer have to apply for these grants. They would automatically be entitled to $1 million per year. It takes some of the guess work and competition out.

Vice-Mayor Watt stated he would like to decline.

Councilman Mastandrea stated he would like to hear more about this.

Ms. Campbell stated the County asked for a reply by May 15.

Mayor Thomas stated they could make a decision by their special meeting next week.

Ms. Campbell stated this can be noticed and added to the special meeting agenda.

Mayor Thomas circled back to the motion that Councilman Anderson made previously regarding closing River Road. She stated she misunderstood the motion.

Councilman Anderson stated there are lot of people using River Road and that is great. He stated closing down the traffic part would increase the safety for the walkers.

Mayor Thomas asked Attorney Garrison if there was a problem with Councilman Anderson revisiting the motion.
Attorney Garrison stated per the Council’s Standing Rules, they would need someone of the prevailing end to revisit it. He suggested Council be cautious with shutting down roads.

Councilman Anderson stated there has been discussion about having the Planning and Zoning Board meeting outside. He asked if there is any way to do that.

Ms. Campbell explained that all the audio and visual equipment is located in the Chambers. She stated she would not recommend having the meeting outdoors. She stated it is a quasi-judicial hearing and it needs to be recorded.

Councilman Mastandrea addressed the letters that came in about the Orange Park Plaza and the concerns people are having. He stated he has tried his best to meet with everyone that had questions about the plaza. He discussed the meetings he held and invited residents to come and ask questions about the project. He stated the people that have come to his meeting, a lot of them have changed their view on the project. He stated a lot of them didn’t have the facts. They asked questions and came out of it feeling more comfortable with the project. He talked about the time when Bestbet was first being considered in the Town. He stated residents made negative comments about that as well. A lot of fears that people had about Bestbet never actually happened. He stated he will be giving Council a packet of letters from people that support the Orange Park Plaza.

Vice-Mayor Watt asked how the reorganization meeting will be conducted.

Mayor Thomas stated she will start the meeting and then hand the gavel over to the new Mayor. She stated it has been a blessing to be Mayor. She stated the next meeting can be held virtually if needed.

Vice-Mayor Watt asked about the process.

Attorney Garrison stated he will send out his email he always does that explains the process for the reorganization meeting.

Councilman Mastandrea thanked Mayor Thomas for how she has run her meetings for last year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.