

# Town of Fort White

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN OF FORT WHITE

May 14, 2018

The Town Council of the Town of Fort White met in regular business session May 14, 2018 at 7:30 pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jackson. On roll call, members present were: Mary Fleming, Demetric Jackson, Matthew Lance, and James Richardson. Absent was Donald Cook.

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 9, 2018 as submitted was made, second and approved.

Motion to add new business item Community Center Activities/Rental – Valarie Adams and remove Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement was made, second and approved.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE TO REPORT

NEW BUSINESS: Community Center Children’s Activities/Rental: Valerie Adams requested use of the Fort White Community Center for Children’s Activities: Dance, Karate, 4H, ect.. Ms. Adams would like the fees to be waived. Mayor Jackson expressed several concerns regarding the use of the Community Center. The Center is a county facility and cannot be used to make money. The instructor would need to be insured. There is a deposit and fee that is charged to all renters. Ms. Adams will return to council with a more detailed request in the future.

Landscaping Improvements at Lifestyle Enrichment Center: Interlocal agreement will be put in place between Columbia County and Town of Fort White for the maintenance of the landscaping at the Lifestyle Enrichment Center. Deborah Rhodes from the center stated they will be responsible for all maintenance. County Commissioner, Rusty DePratter stated the funds have been allocated for this landscaping project.

Grant Opportunity Mayors Park: Shannon Williams with North Florida Professional Services presented information to the Town regarding 2 grant opportunities – Small Matching Grant (Education) and Special Category Grant (Restoration). Special Category Grant requires a cash match. A motion was made/second for the town to cash match \$6186.43. Motion carried. Duke Energy is donating \$6000.00.

District #1  
Donald Cook  
386-365-4111

District #2  
James Richardson  
352-316-8467

District #3  
Mary Fleming  
386-288-1437

District #4  
Matthew Lance  
352-317-6226

Mayor  
Demetric Jackson  
386-365-3304

Core Presentation: Glenn Hunter and Candace Wood (Core Solar) presented Solar Farm Project Maps to the Town. The 1000-acre Solar Farm just north of Fort White has been approved by Columbia County.

Chad with North Florida Professional Services gave update on Durant and Brighton Court Paving Projects.

MEETING ADJOURNED.