

**Notice of Public Meeting of the Technology Advisory Board**  
**Official Minutes**  
**August 15, 2022 @ 5:30 pm**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**  
**9101 Bonita Beach Road**  
**Bonita Springs, FL 34135**

|                          | <u>TIME</u> | <u>INFO</u> | <u>DISCUSSION</u> | <u>ACTION</u> |
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| I. MEETING CALL TO ORDER | 5:30        |             |                   | Action        |

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

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| II. ROLL CALL |  |  |  | Action |
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**Present**

Jim Kauffman  
Tim Deaton  
Susan Bickel  
Ron George  
By phone: John Poldoian

**Staff**

Addison Smelko  
  
Chris Corrie

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| III. PUBLIC COMMENT          |
| There was no public comment. |

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| APPROVE MINUTES OF JULY 18, 2022 | 5:32 |
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Tim Deaton made a motion to accept the July 18, 2022, minutes as written. Motion was seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

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| IV. COUNCIL LIAISON ITEMS | 5:35 |
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Councilman Corrie shared that there will be a first reading of the Communications Tax related to gross receipts on providers of telephone/internet services, etc. The tax is at 3.5% in line with Estero. The annual renewal occurs as the tax sunsets each year if it is not renewed it drops to 1.8%.

There will be two budget meetings in September with the final budget vote on 9/21/22.

Jim Kauffman asked if there is any feedback from Community Development on a schedule or when we can expect their report. Chris spoke to John Dulmer and has been informed there are no proposals for cell towers submitted to the city.

Chris suggested to John that he connect with Tim on ordinances, but he is not sure they have been able to do so.

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| V. STAFF INFO & UPDATES | 5:38 | Discussion |
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No staff information

## VI. NEW BUSINESS

5:37

Discussion

No new business

## VII: UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5:37

### Electric Vehicles

John Poldoian reminded everyone that the first charging station will be in front of the Bank of America and funded by Electrify America. There is a verbal agreement and attorneys are working on the contract. John expects the contract to be done within thirty days. It will include six stalls and they will operate at 350 kW each. They will be needing a city permit and John expects it will take 8 – 16 weeks after permitting for completion.

The second charging station is a TESLA station planned for the Sunshine Plaza. It will be a twelve-stall station with 250 kW each. This process is delayed because TESLA is indicating there is a slower demand for it here. John feels we will need to be a little patient and strive to ensure that Wynn Properties does not lose interest. The committee discussed the fact that provider's may be looking at demand associated with a seasonal area and John acknowledged this and said he has brought it to the attention of the providers.

Sue inquired about the 350 kW power and the Board discussed companies staying ahead of power demands. As newer cars are built the kW necessary to charge will increase and these stations will continue to be able to handle the demand.

Tim asked how the new charging stations will be promoted. John explained that the provider's apps are sharing the information.

Ron wondered if a normal EV can take advantage of at 350 kW charger. It was noted that a handful of normal EV's can take advantage, more would utilize a 200 kW charger. As more cars are built, the demand for the increased kW will be utilized.

### Cell Tower Heights

Tim Deaton provided an update on cell tower heights. He has not heard back from Mark Paar.

Tim has talked to Chris Magnus and Chris is willing to locate a cell tower on his property.

Tim had great conversation with an engineer recently. She will be connecting Tim with other areas that have simpler requirements in their cell tower requisites. She informed him that everyone is moving to build to the newer standards, and she is sending him information on these newer standards.

Tim spoke about industry fall radius and shared the concern is real, but exaggerated. Most towers are designed to break and fall close to themselves. There are not good engineering stats on falls because they just are not available.

Tim shared there are nineteen companies that say if we have a location, they will build. It won't be a problem once the tower company or provider says we need something there. He will follow up to see if we can assist with identifying sites for these nineteen companies.

Sue asked for an update on traffic preemption. Jim will see what he can find out.

VIII: NEXT MEETING

Discussion

September 12, 2022.

IX: ADJOURNMENT

6:10

Action

*Motion to adjourn passed.*

Respectfully submitted,

*Debbie Vallante, 07/19/2022*

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Debbie Vallante, Office Assistant

APPROVED

TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY BOARD:

Date: 1.23.23

AUTHENTICATED:

  
Jim Kauffman, Chairman