

**TOWN OF ASTATULA
MAYOR AND TOWN
COUNCIL MINUTES**



**EMERGENCY SESSION
WEDNESDAY APRIL 1, 2020
TOWN HALL**

Having been duly advertised as required by law, Mayor Mitchell Mack called the Emergency Session meeting to order at 6.35pm.

Members Present:

Mitchell Mack, Mayor
Gayle Sikkema

Members by Telephone:

Kimberly Kobera, Vice-Mayor
Stephen Cross
Orita Issartel

Staff Present:

Graham Wells, Town Clerk
Wally Hoagland, Police Chief

Roll Call was performed, and it was determined that a quorum was present.

CITIZENS QUESTIONS AND COMMENT

There were no citizens present.

AGENDA REVIEW

There were no changes.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion regarding the Executive Orders issued by Governor DeSantis, including Executive Order 20-91 issued on April 1, 2020 at 12:01, regarding the entire State of Florida because of COVID-19.

The Mayor explained that the Governor had declared a Stay at Home policy and the effects that this would have on the town. He felt that a state of emergency should be declared for the town which would open up emergency funding options. He requested that someone be given the authority to make decisions during this emergency period. The Clerk suggested that this should be given to the Mayor.

Councilman Cross suggested that a temporary spending authority be given to the Mayor during the period of the Governor's stay at home order. He recommended \$5,000.00 per purchase and a total of \$25,000.00. This and other decisions would need to be ratified by resolution at a meeting to take place on Friday April 3, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Other decisions that should be taken were discussed during the period of the Stay at Home order.

- Close down all the towns parks and post signs
- Cease renting of the community building
- There would be no further Special Events
- Social distancing would be enforced in town hall

The Clerk and Police Chief would work on the Resolution with the attorney for the state of emergency and would be sent to Council ahead of Fridays meeting.

COUNCIL MEMBER MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business Mayor Mack adjourned the meeting at 7:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mitchell Mack, Mayor

ATTEST:



Graham Wells, Town Clerk

