



TOWN OF WELAKA

JULY 2018

Waste Pro

- July 2nd** – Garbage, Recycle, Yard Trash
- July 9th** – Garbage, Recycle
- July 16th** – Garbage, Recycle, Yard Trash
- July 23rd** – Garbage, Recycle
- July 30th** – Garbage, Recycle, Yard Trash

Please call Waste Pro if you have any questions at 328-5445.

Public Meetings

- July 10th, Tues** – Zoning Board at 5:30 pm.; Code Enforcement at 5:45 p.m.; Town Council at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall. For more information call Town Hall at 386-467-9800.
- July 12th, Thurs** – Fire Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Station.

July 18th Meter Readings



July meter readings will begin: Wednesday, July 18th.

PLEASE HELP CONSERVE WATER!



Remember: Water bill payments can be made anytime of the day or night, even on weekends, by using the "Utility Payment" drop box at the top of the stairs at Town Hall.

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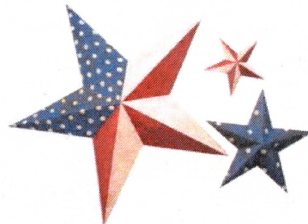


The Town of Welaka Utility Department is available for water and sewer problems 24 hours a day at 467-8677.
TDD 800/955-8771

Special Dates

Wednesday, July 4th – Independence Day

Town Hall will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day!



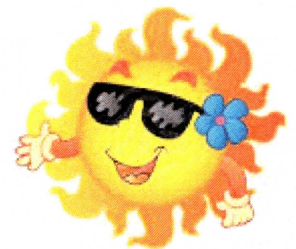
FAIR HOUSING / EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

It is illegal to discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, or familial status when renting, selling or financing a home or property.

The Town of Welaka is a Fair Housing Advocate as explained in the Town's Fair Housing Ordinance which outlines steps that can be taken locally to report housing discrimination.

A copy of this Ordinance can be obtained at the Town of Welaka Town Hall. In addition, information on Fair Housing and Fair Housing Law can be obtained by contacting the Housing Discrimination Hotline at, 1-800-669-9777 (Voice) 1-800-927-9275 (TTY) or on the World Wide Web at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/fheo/index.cfm>

You Have Rights!! If you feel you have been discriminated against when buying or renting a home please contact Ms. Jennifer McDaniel, Town Clerk, Town of Welaka, at (386) 467-9800.



2018 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM

The Putnam County District School Board will be sponsoring a Summer Food Program for all children 18 years old and younger beginning June 4, 2018 through July 27, 2018, Monday through Thursday.

Sandwiches, Cookies, Fruit and Milk will be provided at 12:00 at the Town Hall Pavilion.

We hope to see you here!!!!





IT IS YOU

Author: Mac McGovern

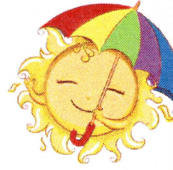
**A symbol of respect, pride, and
strength, not to be ruffled,
wadded, or soiled, to be folded,
unfurled, raised for all to see, as in
going into battle resounding
victory.**

**Not to be tattered, torn, or burned
in effigy, rather a symbol of hope
to those in bondage, of hate for
those who seek to enslave, of
patriotism to those who guard
fiercely, enshrined with those who
died for liberty, entrusted to each
generation to decide its fate,
to be the most loved or most hated,
to be seen in every city, state, and
on foreign soil,
wherever seen, America is found.**

**No other symbol rises above or
would be allowed, representing
freedom, recognized the world
round,
a powerful adversary to an enemy
a gentle giant to those who are
represented.**

**A symbol of red and white,
with fifty shining stars on a field
of blue, call it a flag,
in reality it is you.**

FROM THE MAYOR:



Not a Dry Spot to be Found

We realize that this has been one of the rainiest springs in the last few years; following a conversation with St Johns River Water Management, I was surprised to learn that they feel that Putnam County has received nearly twice the amount of normal rain fall in the last six months. In fact, out of all their district, they feel that we are the most susceptible to flooding if this continues—in fact it is of great concern.

Generally hurricanes and heavy rain fall create major problems for Sportsman's Harbor. A little thought is about up-town, and especially the Welaka Village area, which is our highest point, from 50-68 feet above sea level. Well, folks, we found out that the Forty Acre Park is flooded, and we cannot use the burn site at the present time. As a result, we are stacking debris on one of our sewer properties. Additionally, at Seventh Avenue and Walnut, the water table is about the depth of a shovel, and this only compounds a sewer hookup for a new resident. Also, Orange Street, if you filled your property your water runs into the street. If you didn't fill your property the street water runs into your property. Fourth Avenue and McClure, we have a situation, Long pond is full and overflowing even with a valve open at the fish hatchery outlet. Additionally, Welaka Village lower cul-de-sac, all retention ponds are full, overflowing, and creating a deep state of concern. To compound this, now the ponds of the Welaka State Forrest are overflowing into the Town of Welaka, further flooding Welaka Village.

To further compound this, we have multiple layers of Government all the way from Federal to local in attempting to resolve these issues. FEMA took a look at it with us and made a very sensible suggestion but it requires a lot of paperwork. Start at the bottom, with the Town of Welaka; then you have the State of Florida, namely, the Welaka State Forest; then we'll compound it a little more that we'll throw in the United States Government, namely the Department of the Interior, and the Fish Hatchery; a little more, the St. Johns River Water Management and who knows what else. A very logical solution would be to run a gravity line from Welaka Village, through the town, to the rear of the sewer plant, and discharge it along the pond for filtration before it's returned to the river. Think about the paperwork on that one! We have had enough experience in the past with each of these agencies, even though the majority of it being good, that it is extremely time consuming. Who knows, maybe we can resolve it before another ten years, and another storm situation such as we had.

We fully realize that many of you do have some water in your yard, or you have some wet streaks in the frontal areas. We are attempting to help where we can, but as we have just outlined, when you discharge into the US Department of Interior property, that you are not on your own property, and you must have some clearance there. Additionally, be careful that we do not violate Water Management regulations. Certainly, a prime example is Welaka Village, which was condoned, and supported, and signed-off by Water Management as to being able to resolve the situation forever. Phase II has no retention in the ponds, mainly because it's in an entirely different area. Phase I had a wonderful lake, which by Water Management became a dry area

diverted to retention ponds. But, nevertheless, take a look now and it is overflowing from the pond back to the ponds, and now we do have a lake again. Certainly, God Himself will play with the minds of us mortals. Talk about logic, is there logic in the way we go about it?

Historical

At our last meeting you will notice that we did dig a little deeper into trying to restore a historical committee. We have named six people, possibly seven, that are willing to become involved. Fortunately, we have a Councilwoman who desires this knowledge, as well as several people who can contribute historically. We are attempting this coming month of July to at least have one good sit-down meeting with these people, and make sure that we start getting some recognition of that which has been our past. As we often say, how do we know where to go if we don't know where we've been? So much has happened in the last 150 years in this small area of Florida; it would certainly behoove each and every one of our residents to at least know a little bit about how we came to be, how we are, and how we're still here. Additionally, do not hesitate to wander through the cemetery, there should be many questions in your mind. History forms from the last burial, to the beginning of our cemetery; so much to be known, and so many before us. Try and learn a little in order that you might better enjoy our town.

Sportsman's Harbor

We believe that we are making continued improvements, and betterments in the operation of the vacuum system. The Council has had an on-site workshop, and all five, and others, are fully apprised of what is happening. One of the steps that we have discussed and

have implemented is the rain-bowl addition to the many sites, which has removed a great deal of inflow water that we were experiencing during each rainstorm. Additionally, we are progressing with a permanent solution. FEMA works slowly, as a result we are being forced to look at ulterior ways of financing and moving forward with long-term solutions. Additionally, normal wear-and-tear occurs, and it is fully recognized by the council that the operating components themselves are extremely costly. Very few of these motors and pumps are carried on the shelves anymore, they are manufactured as needed. This becomes scary when you think about hurricane relief, and other things in the future. Budget time is rolling around, and we are working strongly in our utility system; the vacuum system in the harbor is one of our major consumers of revenue. Our workforce is becoming extremely knowledgeable, and at the current time, it is performing extremely well with the limitation of cash. We will keep you posted, we do not intend for this to become a major drain upon the citizens of the town. Many hard decisions are going to be needed to be made, and not of them are going to be politically perfect, but do need to be perfect mechanically in order to perform the necessity of sewage removal from this low-lying area.

Bryant's Wharf

Our FRDAP grant has been closed out. We wish that there had been more harmony in this project, it was a very nice addition for that area of Town, and also recognized some of our history, and provides some amenities for those who do not have the ability to get on the water itself. We were able to receive approximately \$30,000 of the \$50,000 in return. We did come in under budget considerably, with a little more harmonious effort, we

should have been able to use another \$12,000-\$14,000 as well as being under budget; however, that is in the past. We will move forward, and hopefully you will enjoy this. It is an addition to our town, and should be looked at as a point for visitors to use. Let's really try to get the kayak launch going, and get the relaxation that is afforded by observing the river. A little bit of fishing, a little bit of relaxation, thanks to you and those who did support us and help us on the culmination of this project.

Land Use Plan

In the next year we need to budget for another 10-year land use plan. A majority of people do not realize that this is the one instrument that governs what we can do with our private and municipal property here in Welaka. Everybody talks about the zoning ordinance, but it is trumped by the Land Use Plan, which is a state requirement. You may think that we control ourselves, but we are controlled. Watch as we move forward, we will need input.

Budget Year 2018-2019

We are in the final quarter of our current budget year. During July, the major preliminary work is accomplished on our budget. There will be an accumulation of information during this month, and initially, we will outline potential possibilities for next year's budget. During August, we will heavily become involved, and have something proposed in order that September with the two meetings of the ordinances that we accomplish that which we can live with. Undoubtedly, with what has happened in the last year, we will have to pinch pennies everywhere. We have been fortunate for over ten years that we retained our tax rate, we anticipate that we will attempt to retain this; however, there are necessities, there are also some amenities that we provide—you

need to tell us whether we retain things such as storm debris, and especially yard and brush removal that we accomplish which are not mandatory, but we feel that it makes us a better town. You give us ideas where you think we can skimp, there are just some things that must be done. We try to keep the grass at a reasonable length during the growing season, we also attempt to work on other areas that are visible to the public. Our persona is that of a hopefully quiet river town, we enjoy the public who support us, it appears our desire is to be somewhat tourist, while retaining the flavor of the last 150 years. Good, thoughtful input will greatly be accepted from anyone; the old saying is that if you do not have a potential solution, you might be part of the problem, is certainly true. Bring your suggestions, gladly, I and the rest of the Council will discuss. It is not easy to balance when so many unbudgeted mandates are passed out to us, not only from the state, but also from the county—let's get all the good insight we can.

Lunch Program

Monday-Thursday we continue to have lunches for the children here at the Town Hall Pavilion. We have had fairly good attendance, make sure that if you have a child up to age 18, that you do take advantage of this, it is a pleasant situation each time it's done.

Website

Moving along quickly we have discovered that we've made no headway with the contracted website creator, and as a result, our Councilwoman Jessica Finch, and Laurie Porath, along with one or two others, have been working on creating a site, along with the help of Brian Walsh—as this progresses, I feel that we will probably have the best results that we have ever had at

any time. This group is making sure that we have something that we can be proud of, something that will tell a story of our past, as well as what's happening today, and what's going to happen tomorrow here in town. If you enjoy it, tell them; if you have any thoughtful input, also advise them. This is something that will be used to better our image to the public.

Public Safety

There is hardly a day that goes by that the workforce doesn't kill a venomous snake in their daily duties. All this rain is relocating snakes out of their ordinary habitat, and they are dangerous. Make sure that you do learn to know your snake varieties, what's venomous and non-venomous. Be careful in your yard, a little bit of neglect on any of our parts can create something very hazardous. We lost a wonderful gentleman in our county public safety department several years ago that was extremely knowledgeable in rattlesnakes, but succumbed to a bite. Don't become a statistic, if you have a question, contact someone to make sure that you are safe. In safety also, make sure you observe the Chief's portion of this newsletter, he does describe there is again a band of those moving through our general area that are more desirous of what certain people own; they do not desire to work for it, they desire to steal. We feel that we have a few in the general area that fit the profile, however, it is something where we all need to work together. These are the situations where we band together, don't be afraid to make sure that he knows, or the Sheriff knows what you think. Sometimes it may not, in your mind, mean that much, but do not hesitate to bring all knowledge forward. We have to band together for sure in order that we can remove this item from our area. However, let's not forget the summer enjoyments that we do have

here in town. Just relax a little bit, sooner or later our winter folks will be back, and the crowds will be swelling. Enjoy your time, let's have a little happiness together, and let's move forward. Thank you so much.



TOWN OF WELAKA ZONING BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018 @ 5:30 P.M.

WELAKA TOWN HALL

1. The meeting was called to order by Finch at 5:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Kevin Finch – present, Allen Rusek – present, Lenore Toole – present, Harriet Vanslyke – present, Les Thomas – present, and Town Attorney Allen Scott – absent.
3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018. Finch asked if any deletions, corrections or additions – there were none. Rusek made a motion to accept Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018 second by Vanslyke. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Old Business : none
5. New Business: none
6. Audience Participation: none
7. Vanslyke made a motion to adjourn at 5:32 p.m., second by Toole. Motion carried 5-0.



**TOWN OF WELAKA
CODE ENFORCEMENT MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018
@ 5:45 P.M.**

WELAKA TOWN HALL

1. The meeting was called to order by Finch at 5:56 p.m.
2. Roll Call: Kevin Finch - present, Allen Rusek - present, Lenore Toole - present, Harriet Vanslyke - present, Les Thomas - present, and Town Attorney Allen Scott - absent.
3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018. Finch asked if any deletions, corrections or additions - there were none. Toole made a motion to accept the Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018 as written, second by Vanslyke. Motion carried 5-0.
4. Request to Speak: Deborah Anderson - 10 & 10A North Street: Ms. Anderson recently had the ability to hook-up to the Town's Sewer. After the CDBG Grant, residents were required to hook-up to the Town's Sewer, if they had not already by March. Mayor Sands had given Ms. Anderson an extension until June. Ms. Anderson wanted to address the Board regarding the hook-up, however; her husband had health issues and they could not attend the meeting. Toole motioned to table this until the July meeting, second by Rusek. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Old Business: Darrin Anderson - 601 Old Welaka Road/516 Mill Street: McDaniel gave Anderson several courtesy notices about the properties, and he has complied. Anderson stated that his goal is still to leave Town, but he has been very ill. Anderson stated that he is still slowly working on things.
6. New Business: none
7. Audience Participation: none
8. Rusek made a motion to adjourn at 5:47 p.m., second by Vanslyke. Motion carried 5-0.



**TOWN OF WELAKA
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018
@ 6:30 P.M.**

WELAKA TOWN HALL

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sands at 6:30 p.m.
2. Invocation was given by Watts.
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Washington.
4. Roll Call: Mayor Gordon Sands - present, Sam McGauley - present, Willie Washington - present, Jamie Watts - present, Jessica Finch - present, and Town Attorney Allen Scott - present.
5. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018. Sands asked if any deletions, corrections or additions - there were none. Watts motioned to approve Minutes of Meeting of May 8, 2018, second by McGauley.
6. Ordinance 2018-01: An Ordinance of the Town of Welaka, Florida, Amending Section 46.256 of the Putnam County Code, Entitled Boating Restricted Areas; Setting Forth General Rules; Repealing Conflicting Ordinances and Other Actions of the County Commission; and Establishing an Effective Date (second reading). Sands stated that we were asked to ride along with this with the County, and when the Florida Wildlife Commission got ahold of it, they noted several things that need to be corrected. Watts motioned to postpone for a month, second by Finch. Motion carried 5-0.
7. IT Billing Software: Quotes/Comparison - Sands stated, with help from Brian Walsh, that we narrowed the search down to two (2) softwares for our Utility Billings. Sands stated that it needed to be compatible with our Accounting System. Walsh stated that the Town uses software to send bills, run the Utility System, etc. Walsh stated that Jack Daniels is leaving the Town of Welaka, and we need a replacement by September 1st. Walsh stated that we looked at the City of Palatka's Software, and it

had many features we didn't need. Walsh stated that there were two (2) competitors that would most likely fit. Walsh stated that the more costly software is more compatible, due to the iPads for meter reading, and it will go into the Cloud, which is Realtime. Walsh stated that you will have the ability to pay your water bills online and view your bill history. Walsh stated that the Software Company is the Logics Company in your packet. Walsh stated that the staff have sat through two (2) sessions, and the staff likes Logics, and it also integrates with the Town's Financial System, which this will be automated and not manual. Logics will provide onsite training. Sands stated there is \$1,600 for the iPads, which will eliminate call outs. Whomever is on call can access the Alarms from their iPad, instead of having to drive if it's a false call. Sands stated that there is a lot of potential here. McGauley questioned if we need to look at any other systems. Sands stated no. Finch stated that she sat through both demos and liked Logics. McGauley wanted to eliminate meter readings manually, and Walsh stated that this program will be automated for meter readings. Watts made a motion to enter a contract with Logics, second by McGauley. Motion carried 5-0.

8. Request to Speak - (a) Deborah Johnson - Woman's Club: Ms. Johnson thanked the Town for the opportunity to speak. Johnson stated the GFWC stands for the General Federation of Woman's Club. Johnson stated that they also have a Florida Association. Johnson stated that the Woman's Club logged over 17,000 hours and volunteers. She spoke of the wonderful acceptance of the Pink Out Program. Johnson stated, with the support of the Town, we Pinked Out Welaka. Donations went to the Putnam First Cancer Fund. She stated that the second year we were overwhelmed, the storm dampened the Pink Out but, not our spirits.

This last year the Woman's Club took it further than Welaka and Pinked Out the County too. The \$5,000 donation went to Dr. Kuruvilla, the monies stayed local. Johnson stated that the award for the 1st place Community Improvement from the State was presented to the Woman's Club. They are now in the process for the next support for October coming up for the Pink Out. Sands commended the woman's Club for what they have done, because he has lost a daughter, but he has a survivor, Willie, here with us. Sands stated that he hears much negativity about Putnam County Hospital, but he has no bad words about the Hospital, and they have amazing Physicians.

9. Code and Zoning

Recommendations: none

10. Utility Matters: none

11. Town Matters:

Mayor Sands Report: (a) Austerity Control: Sands stated that we have had an expensive year for costs in the Town. Sands stated that we need to operate under a State of Austerity for the rest of the year. Our Lift Stations are in need of parts, and our Harbor Lift Stations have to undergo 22 pounds of vacuum to get going. Sands stated that the parts are between \$15,000 - \$18,000. Sands stated that he has talked to Randy who is a Contract Laborer, and he is willing to negotiate a Utility Supervisor Position with Randy that can save \$30,000 a year. Sands stated that Brian Walsh, in IT, saved at least \$10,000. We are still working with FEMA. Evan is working on closing out the FEMA situations. Sands stated that we have eight (8) areas open with FEMA, and we are still not in the long term with FEMA yet. (b) Sands stated that Mr. Harrell, John Harris, and Clint Swartz showed interest in being Code Board Alternates. Watts made the motion to approve the Alternates, second by Washington. Motion carried 5-0. (c) Hurricane Preparation: Sands stated we at least

need one (1) more generator for Hurricane Season, whether we lease it or buy it out. (d) Historical Committee: Sands stated that we need the Historical Presentations back at our Council Meetings. Sands stated that there is a man in the audience that knows the history of Welaka, Martin Dunson. Sands stated that he would like for Mr. Martin Dunson and Katherine Maluda to be on a Historical Committee, as well with her deep roots in this Town. Sands stated they both should be on the Historical Committees, and the Cemetery Committee with Sam McGauley. Washington stated that Temperance Barlow needs to be a part of these Committees too. Laurie Porath, in the audience, asked how many people do they want on these Committees, Sands stated 3-4. Porath stated that someone in the audience may want to volunteer. Jimmie Clark, from the Woman's Club, volunteered for these Committees. The Woman's Club wanted to point out that they do sell a History Book about Welaka. Sands stated he looks forward to the presentations from Mr. Dunson back to these meetings.

Councilman McGauley Report: (a) Sportsman Harbor: McGauley stated that the Harbor is different than the rest of the Town. McGauley suggested a Workshop so the Town can see what the problems are, and what they are working with. McGauley wants the Workshop in the morning and wants people to know what is going on at the Harbor, hands on. McGauley asked Jennifer to set up a Workshop in the next couple of weeks with the Council. (b) Cemetery: McGauley stated that we are doing a good job with the trees, but there are a few leaning trees that need attention. Sands stated that the Ballfield we had a \$5,000 quote on, we did mostly in house. Sands stated that we talked to Sunbelt and got equipment \$500 from Friday – Monday, and our workers fixed the

lights. Sands stated that our workers came in on the weekends, with overtime, and it only cost us \$1,000.

Councilman Washington Report: Washington stated that water has saturated the roads. Washington stated that if we pump our yard, it goes to another yard, and the ditches aren't working. Washington stated that we can't complain about the rain because we will complain about no rain. Washington stated that the guys are trying to get water out of peoples' yard and they are doing the best that they can do.

Councilman Watts Report: Watts stated that that Town's property on Orange Street has a tree leaning on our vacant lot and needs to be looked at. McGauley stated that Broad and Second is most traveled and the potholes are bad and what we put down gets crushed. McGauley stated it needs a decent fix, it goes down to Maxwell too. Sands stated that we need to get on the same page with the County. Sands stated that we have to get to Welaka to get to the enclaves. Sands stated that the County does the maintenance on the streets in the County, but not the parts in the Harbor that is in the County. Sands stated that Allen Scott should write a letter to Stacy Manning at the County. Sands stated that we need to demand what is rightfully ours. McGauley stated that the County collects a lot of taxes and doesn't spend any money on Welaka.

12. Councilwoman Finch Report: (a) Cat Spay/Neuter Report: Finch stated that they are ready to start the cat trapping again. Finch stated that there were 129 total spayed or neutered. Finch stated that the Mayor has approved the use of the blue car for more trapping.

(b) Website: Finch stated that at the last meeting she had been working with Acabus on the website, and shortly after the last meeting Laurie Porath and herself were still trying to get updates, and he, David from Acabus, basically told us that he

was finished and that they would have to finish the updates. Finch stated that in the meantime of waiting to hear from David they built a website on their own and feels like it is 75% done, and hopefully by next meeting the website will be done. Sands stated that as of today, the website will be done in house. Mayor stated that he is pushing the Bass Pro Shop deal with people coming into Town in regards to manatee protection.

13. Audience Participation: June Welsh asked if by 2nd and Maxwell is the water supposed to be that high. The Mayor stated that the black top has been beat out of it. Pam Olson stated that she emailed the County about the streets, and she agrees that the County needs to take accountability for them to help us. Olson stated that they said since they don't have an Interlocal Agreement since 2004, they won't help. Olson said it may take more people to call to make a difference. Sands stated that the only Interlocal Agreement that we have is with the Sheriff. Mr. Dunson thanked the Council for the street work on 2nd Avenue.

14. Police Matters: (a) Police and Fire Academy: Chief Porath stated that on June 4th – 8th they had the 2nd Youth Fire Academy. Porath stated twenty-two (22) attended at the Division of Forestry. Porath stated that he couldn't have thanked the forestry more for their assistance. Hopefully we will build on this. Porath thanked Harriett with Helping Hands, his wife Laurie helped with food, other than the School Lunch Program, the spaghetti lunch from the Georgetown Fire Department, and all of the volunteers. Porath stated there were three (3) kids from Welaka, the rest of the kids were from Georgetown, Pomona Park, and the Satsuma area. Porath stated that twenty-one (21) kids attended the Bike Rodeo, and free helmets were donated to the Town. Porath stated that we are currently looking

for donations of bikes for the children in need. Porath stated that the FDLE Crime Report was out and Welaka's Crime Rate went down 50%, but unfortunately this past week we have had some trailers stolen through Town. Porath stated that the recent burglaries are descending from Georgetown to Satsuma, RiverBend, in the County, had some jet skis stolen from about 1-4 in the morning. Porath reminded everyone to lock your trailers, and individual stuff.

15. Attorney Matters: Allen Scott stated that there were two (2) items on the agenda under him, but if no one was there to speak on the behalf of the other party, he will not discuss anything. Scott stated that he is invoking Attorney Client Privilege if no one is here to speak, and he will go through our Insurance Carrier on this for both matters. Scott stated that this enclave issue has been an issue since he has worked with the Town. Scott stated that this Council and Predecessors provides 100% of the services for the enclaves. Scott stated that he has mentioned and will continue to revisit that there is a statutory procedure to bring enclaves into the Town Limits based on following the correct procedures. Scott stated while listening to the road issues, it's our roads that carry traffic to these enclaves that pay zero for the tax base for the Town of Welaka. Scott stated that he can approach the County by way of an Interlocal Agreement that will give us some financial relief, or the obvious approach to bring the enclaves in the Town Limits where they should be. McGauley stated that the State has thousands of enclaves and McGauley was under the impression the at the State had a bill for these enclaves. Scott stated that the current Statutory Structure that we had looked at what it would call for was a referendum for an Involuntary Annexation. Scott stated that he thinks he can force an annexation. Sands stated that Bill

Pickens would be happy to assist us in these matters. Scott also wanted to address that some issues have been brought up to him concerning renting homes in Residential Areas. Scott stated that our Zoning Ordinance goes back to 1983, and he cannot find a decent direction on this matter in our Ordinance dealing with vacation rentals, except the difference in Zoning between Residential and Commercial Properties. Scott stated that a copy of Bed Tax Law states that a Single-Family Residence cannot get a business license to rent houses in Residential Area. Scott will further research this topic.

16. Watts made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m., second by McGauley. Motion carried 5-0.

WELAKA UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
682 3RD AVENUE
WELAKA, FL. 32193



BAKE SALE
FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2018
4 P.M. – 6 P.M.

PICK UP A HOMEMADE
DESSERT FOR
DINNER TONIGHT!

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN
AFTERNOON OF SONG AND
WORD WITH SUE CARMICHAEL
JULY 29, 2018
2 P.M.
AT HISTORIC
EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL
CHURCH.



2nd ANNUAL TEEN POLICE & FIRE ACADEMY

We would like to thank the Welaka Police Department, other Law Enforcement Agencies, Welaka State Forest, Local Fire Fighters, Volunteers, Guest Speakers, and the Kids that participated all week for this event. As the 2nd Annual Teen Police & Academy, this has been a HUGE success. We hope to continue this yearly event, and look forward to a larger turnout every year. A HUGE thank you to everyone that attended!!!!

