April 14, 2016 Town Council Meeting Transcript - Future Agenda Items

Mayor Collins – Is there a motion to add any items to the future agenda?

Council Member Dembow – I move that we add considering paying councilmembers so we don't end up with the situation, or at least discussing it, of having people running for offices at the same time we have people running for office right now; and I think the discussion whether we want them on council at the same time or whether they have to resign like they do from every other council is worthy of discussion.

Mayor Collins – okay. Is there any....any other feedback? Any other comments on Council Member Dembow's recommendation?

Mayor Collins - Okay Mr. Miller if you could call a roll call vote.I'm sorry....oh...is there a second?

Vice Mayor Sherf – Second.

Mayor Collins – Thank you. So it's been moved by Council Member Dembow to schedule on a future agenda the discussion of

Council Member Dembow ...I guess making us the same as other cities and towns if you're running for another office that either it's through payment or that you step off council to run so you don't hold ...

Mayor Collins – So the motion is to have that discussion added to the council agenda. ... That motion has been seconded Council Member Sherf. Is there any discussion on that motion? ... Council Member Stanton

Council Member Stanton – ...I just have a question just a clarification on the issue here. So we're looking at having a discussion about the process of being paid to offset conflict for the.....

Council Member Dembow I believe the only reason why we are in the unique positon of having, and it's happened with current council and previous councils, of somebody running for another office is because we don't get paid. So I'm talking about whatever the minimum stipend is so it forces us to comply with state laws. But we don't have to do that because we're not paid. And I'm just saying it would be a complete change of town of how we've run it for years and just whether that's worthwhile to

consider; because it may not be worthwhile. We might say, do we want to be different from everybody else in this way? But I think it's worth having that discussion.

Council Member Stanton – Okay. Thanks for clarity. Appreciate it.

Mayor Collins – Okay...any other questions or clarification? If not then it's been moved and seconded and Mr. Miller please call the roll call vote.

Vote

Aye: 7 - Mayor Collins, Vice Mayor Sherf, Council Member Bien-Willner, Council Member Dembow, Council Member Hamway, Council Member Stanton, and Council Member Syms