

**TOWN COMMISSION WORK SESSION  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2019  
TOWN MEETING HALL  
6:30 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Stark called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:                      Commissioner McMullen (*Arrived at 6:44 p.m.*)  
   Commissioner Polland  
   Commissioner Ramos  
   Vice Mayor Satterfield  
   Mayor Stark

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:                      None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Utility Code Revision

Public Works Director Parker stated that there are 215 individual sections to this Code. There will probably need to be 3 work sessions. All of the revisions that Commission has made remains in this Code. He gave a brief description of what each work session will cover. Work session #2 will be on February 27-8, 2019 and will cover policy issues on wastewater. #3 will cover any remaining information and questions.

Director Parker started with explaining that Chapter 66.7 needs to be moved to a more appropriate area of the Code. He gave a summary of information by PowerPoint. Some of the other sections also need to be moved. He suggested that the Code be condensed to no more than 7 Articles. Chapter 50 belongs in Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places. Taxation should be in Chapter 58. He was going to go over backflow preventions at this current work session.

Town Commissioner Polland asked if the Town was paying for testing.

Director Parker said that the Town bid it out. The Town may be able to assist residents with testing and record keeping, but the residents would still have to pay for it. The Code says "At customers expense".

Town Commissioner Ramos asked how much it would be for each one.

Director Parker replied that it would be \$22.00 per household forever. There are several options of how to do it.

Commissioner Polland commented that Winter Garden charges homeowners \$25.00 per year.

Mayor Stark wanted to know what other cities do.

Town Manager Koontz stated that Tavares sends a letter out every January with a list of vendors. Property owners call and have one of the vendors come and test the backflow connection and the owner is charged \$35.00.

Director Parker stated that the Code says that if a resident does not have it done, their water will be shut off.

Commissioner Ramos commented that he did not like it stated in the Code that water would be shut off.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Stark adjourned the Work Session at 7:10 p.m.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:



  
KATHY STARK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
KIMBERLY GAY, TOWN CLERK