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**MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL
AGENDA
23718 W US HWY 27**

JANUARY 29, 2024

7:00 PM

**CHAIR CAMDEN TREESE
VICE CHAIR ANNA WEITZ
MEMBER LEILA CEILLEY
MEMBER AIDEN BLOODSWORTH
MEMBER SAMUEL NICHOL
ALTERNATE MEMBER ELIJAH KELLUM**

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

D. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Discuss, consider, and act on creating a High Springs Youth Council, Instagram.
- b. Discuss, consider, and act on Springs initiatives and educational projects.

**F. CITIZEN REQUESTS AND COMMENTS – FOR ISSUES NOT ON AGENDA (PLEASE
STATE NAME FOR THE RECORD – LIMIT COMMENTS TO 5 MINUTES)**

a. BOARD MEMBER RESPONSE:

G. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss, consider, and act on creating a mission statement for the High Springs Youth Council. (Member Ceilley)

H. CITY STAFF/MAYOR UPDATE.

I. CHAIR REPORT/UPDATE

J. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

K. MOTION TO ADJOURN.

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**HIGH SPRINGS
MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 29, 2024
CITY HALL**

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Weitz called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL:

Member Leila Cielley - present
Member Camden Treese – Present
Member Anna Weitz- Present
Member Aiden Bloodsworth – Present
Member Samuel Nichol – Present
(Alternate)Member Elijah Kellum - Present

STAFF PRESENT:

Katherine Weitz, Mayor
Jami Echeverri, Asst. City Clerk
Kevin Mangan, PIO

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation by Commissioner Andrew Miller

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Member Weitz motioned to approve the modified agenda
Member Bloodsworth Second.
Motion carried 6-0.

SWEARING IN OF NEW YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Assistant City Clerk Echeverri swore in the 2024 Mayor's Youth Council Members.

MAYOR ACCEPTS NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR:

Mayor Weitz asked for nominations for chair of the council.

Member A. Weitz nominated Camden Treese for Chair.
Member Bloodsworth Seconded.
Motioned carried 6-0

Camden Treese assumes the position of chair of the High Springs Youth Council.

CHAIR ACCEPTS NOMINATIONS FOR A VICE CHAIR:

Chair Treese requested nominations for Vice Chair.

Member Weitz motioned to nominate herself (Anna Weitz) as Vice Chair.
Member Bloodsworth Seconded.
Motion Carried 6-0

Anna Weitz assumed the position of Vice Chair of the High Springs Youth Council

(G) CITIZEN REQUESTS AND COMMENTS – FOR ISSUES NOT ON AGENDA (PLEASE STATE NAME FOR THE RECORD – LIMIT COMMENTS TO 5 MINUTES)

Liz Cayson with the Children's Trust of Alachua County introduced herself and offered her assistance and guidance to the youth council, and welcomed them aboard.

MEMBER RESPONSE:

(H) NEW BUSINESS

1. DISCUSS CONSIDER AND ACT ON FUTURE MEETING DATES FOR THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL.

Chair Treese requested to meet on Mondays at 7:00pm to accommodate other extracurricular activities.

Vice Chair Weitz requested to meet bi-weekly.

The Council agreed to hold their next two meetings Monday January 29, 2024, & Monday February 12, 2024.

2. DISCUSS, IDEAS FOR POTENTIAL PROJECTS AND GOALS FOR THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL.

Vice Chair Weitz proposed something with the springs and water ways to educate citizens and improve the quality of the springs and their ecosystems.

Mayor Weitz informed the Council of a Public event with the Springs Institute January 20th, from 4-8pm if they would like to go.

The Council discussed multiple projects to potentially be developed such as: an Instagram page for the Youth Council, career and job workshops for youth to assist those wanting to work and build skills. Vice Chair Weitz mentioned implementing a peer or student tutoring workshop for area students was also mentioned.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT/UPDATE: not present

STAFF UPDATE:

Assistant Clerk Echeverri advised the Council she would not be present for the January 29th meeting due to a prior engagement however someone would fill in to take minutes and answer questions.

Mayor Weitz thanked the Youth Council Members for their enthusiastic participation and is excited to see what they do.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

None at this time.

VICE CHAIR:

Nothing At this time.

CHAIR:

Requested the City Manager attend an upcoming meeting to ask questions and participate in discussions.

MOTION TO ADJOURN.

Member Bloodsworth motioned to adjourn.

Chair Treese adjourned the meeting at 6:04pm.