I. Mayor Blackwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

- Mayor Nathan Blackwell
- Deputy Mayor Linette Matheny
- Council Member Chuck Cooper
- Council Member Dave Askew
- Council Member Keith Trace

William Sturgeon, City Manager
Daniel Mantzaris, City Attorney
City Clerk, Linda P. Jaworski
Deputy City Clerk, Ivy De La Cruz
Members of the Press

All members present.

City Manager Sturgeon provided a brief presentation regarding a company called Information Matrix, a production company which would like to profile the City in a video.

Discussion followed to include what benefit this would provide for the City.

Council consensus was to bring this back to the next meeting.

III. Discussion regarding Transportation Master Plan.

Christopher Mills, Principal Planner, Planning & Zoning, reviewed the project and stated this project was partially funded by a technical assistance grant from the Florida Department of Economical Opportunity.

Scarlet Hammons, Cordeno Group, provided a presentation regarding the transportation master plan. After her review on connectivity and safety factors she shared several solutions that could be implemented for St. Cloud.

Council discussion followed regarding financial funding support for county roads within the City.

Item #6 was discussed at this time. See item #6 for discussion.

After discussion of Item #6 Mayor Blackwell called a recess at 7:15 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:20 p.m.
IV. Discussion regarding Special Event grants.

Erin Jenks, Special Event Manager, reviewed “fee waivers and sponsorships”. She stated the need for event recognition of the City’s sponsorship through marketing and at the events. Ms. Jenks suggested two event categories; Special and Signature Events and reviewed eligible fee waivers. The 2017-2018 year waived $117,519.50 in fees.

Special Events: Open to the public
   Attendance by 250 or more people such as: Wreaths Across America
   National Day of Prayer

Signature Events: Open to the public
   Meet Special Events requirements
   Generate revenue for local businesses
   An annual event for 2500 or more citizens such as: Spring Fling, 4th of July
   Benefit the community as a whole

She stated staff was creating a Special Event fee schedule and would bring back for Council’s approval. With direction from Council, staff would also create an annual budget for inkind services for the 2019 budget.

V. Discussion regarding Community Agency grants.

Charlene Kuhn, Grants Administrator, reviewed the “community agency program and the sponsorship”. She stated that $470,000.00 out of $350,000.00 went to community support over and above waived fees. Ms. Kuhn stated they would like to revamp procedures, applications and follow-ups that would better serve and track funds for “Community Support”. She asked for direction from Council on setting fund limits, allocations for Council Members, community support and special events.

Council Members shared their appreciation for all the time and effort put forth to streamline the Community Agency Grants program and the great events brought to the community.

VI. Discussion regarding the power plant.

Chip Merriam, OUC, provided a presentation regarding a demolition remedial strategy to clean up the power plant and the cost associated with the project. He discussed contamination and the cleanup process for power plants. He stated there were some areas of concern that showed leakage from diesel fuel and gasoline. Plan A would take the shortest amount of time to accomplish a total cleanup by bringing down the building and excavating the land. He reviewed Option B stating rods would be driven into the soil to determine core saturation. This plan would take longer and be deed restricted for many years, but the determining factor would be the City’s direction on future land useage.

Discussion followed to include the clean up process and how far the fuel may have spread.
City Manager Sturgeon stated the DEP was urging the City to begin the process. OUC is partnering with the City and asking for Council to delegate the Mayor and himself to negotiate with OUC.

After discussion the Council direction included:
   a. Simple Term Sheet
   b. Preliminary Agreement
   c. Pin point issues for Phase 2
   d. Bring back to Council the options and prices
   e. Form an action.

Deputy Mayor Matheny stated she received a phone call regarding chickens. She stated she had spoken with the City Manager and requested to walk it onto the agenda at the next meeting.

City Attorney Mantzaris stated the pilot program had a September 18, 2018 sunset that could be extended.

Deputy Mayor Matheny suggested an appointment of someone to monitor property going up for sale in the City that would benefit the City’s master plan.

City Manager Sturgeon stated he would get with staff.

VII. Adjournment: 7:59 p.m.

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Mayor Nathan Blackwell

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ATTEST: City Clerk, Linda P. Jaworski

Minutes Approved: ____________________