



THE SUNRISE CITY
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CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE *Florida*

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners
FROM: Tanya Earley, Assistant City Attorney
THROUGH: Peter Sweeney, City Attorney
RE: Arrest of Sitting Board Member
DATE: July 19, 2021



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Charlie Frank Matthews (chair of two City boards) was recently arrested. A search of court records from St. Lucie and Indian River Counties yielded the following cases and dispositions:

1. State of Florida v. Matthews, Case No. 2019-CT-1770 (St. Lucie County): On September 22, 2019, Mr. Matthews was cited for Driving While License Suspended, a second-degree misdemeanor. He pled no-contest on October 23, 2019. The court withheld adjudication and ordered no further sanctions. The case is closed.
2. State of Florida v. Matthews, Case No. 2021-CT-1094 (St. Lucie County): On June 5, 2021, Mr. Matthews was cited for Driving While License Suspended. The case remains open. The next court proceeding is an arraignment set for July 20, 2021.
3. State of Florida v. Matthews, Case No. 2021-CT-290 (Indian River County): On January 7, 2021, Mr. Matthews was arrested for Driving Under the Influence. On March 29, 2021, he entered a plea of no-contest to a reduced charge of Reckless Driving, a second-degree misdemeanor. The Court adjudicated him guilty and sentenced him to six (6) months of probation. On June 17, 2021, his probation officer filed an affidavit alleging that he violated the terms of his probation, in part by committing the offense alleged in case number 2021-CT-1094. The court issued an arrest warrant, which was executed on July 1, 2021. On July 14, 2021, Mr. Matthews admitted to violating probation. The court revoked and terminated probation and sentenced him to 25 days in the Indian River County Jail. The case is closed.

If you have any questions about the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

cc: Nicholas C. Mimms, P.E., City Manager
Linda Cox, City Clerk