MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
JULY 11, 2017

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, July 11, 2017 in the Council Chambers, 208 N Partin Drive. All Council members and the Mayor was present. Also present were City Manager, Lannie Corbin; City Clerk, Dan Doucet; Police Department, Chief Popwell; Fire Department Chief Mayville and 12 visitors in the audience. Mayor Wise called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilman Henkel offered the prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting, June 13, 2017
Planning Commission Meeting, No meeting held
Local Planning Agency Meeting, No Meeting Held

Councilman Henkel moved approval: Councilman Rominger seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Nodjomian-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

Swearing In Ceremony - Councilmen Henkel and Nodjomian

City Attorney Dixie Powell swore in Councilman Henkel who will fill the Group Four council seat since he ran unopposed during the qualifying period. His term begins on July 18, 2017 for a four year term. Attorney Powell then swore in Councilman Nodjomian who will fill the Group Two council seat since he also ran unopposed during the qualifying period. His term begins on July 18, 2017 for a four year term. Photos were taken with family members as part of the ceremony.

Mr Mickey Murray, SYNOVUS Securities, Inc - City Investments - Update

Mr Murray thanked the Council for allowing him to provide a brief update regarding City investments. He stated that he has managed the City Portfolio for approximately a year stating he was delighted to be part of managing City funds for the City of Niceville. He recommended the City consider investing a portion of it’s surplus funds in longer term investments such as agency funds and securities that would earn a higher yield. He explained the difference between a Money Manager and a Broker Dealer. A money manager typically buys their product from a broker/dealer which what he is then charges the client a fee based on the size of the portfolio typically 30 to 35 basis points. In my case as a broker/dealer I receive a commission from who I purchase the product from and there is no charge to the City for my services. He further stated that the City has
restricted their investments to FDIC insured CDs. He recommended that the City invest in Agency funds and Securities that are backed by the federal government. He stated that if we invest these products for a longer period of time and layer the maturities to improve yield. Discussion followed.

Ordinance 17-08-01 - An ordinance by the City Council of the City of Niceville amending the City of Niceville’s Code of Ordinances to repeal Chapter 7 Floodplain Management; to adopt a New Chapter 7 Flood Plain Management; to adopt Flood Hazard Maps, to designate a Floodplain Administrator, to adopt procedures and criteria for development in Flood Hazard Areas, and for other purposes; providing for applicability, severability; and an effective date. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 17-08-01 by title. Councilman Nodjomian moved approval on second reading. Councilman Henkel seconded. No one spoke for or against. Vote: Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Nodjomian-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

Ordinance 17-08-02 - An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida; providing zoning for same and an effective date. Lot 24, Block 4, Powell Subdivision of Niceville Florida, according to the plat thereof on file in Plat Book 1, Page 96, of the Public Records of Okaloosa County, Florida. Property owner requested his property be re-zoned from R-1, Single Family, to R-1B, Single Family. Daniel Dufault, 712 Cypress Drive. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 17-08-02 by title. Councilman Nodjomian moved approval on second reading. Councilman Rominger seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Nodjomian-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Water/Sewer/Drainage Projects - Update

Mr Price briefed the status of ongoing projects.

Water and Sewer:

**Pump Station # 6:** The pump modifications have been completed, tested and approved. Final preparations are underway to divert the sanitary sewer flows from the old pump station into the new facility and complete the restoration of the right of ways.
Rocky Bayou Drive Right of Way Restoration: City crews have completed the restoration of the water main easement along Rocky Bayou Drive right of way.

Odor Control @ Pump Station 30: The odor control system for Pump Station # 30 located at the Public Works Complex on South Cedar has been installed and is operational.

Generator @ Pump Station # 50: Crews will be installing the new replacement generator at Pump Station # 50 which is located in the Dana Pointe Subdivision. (original generator mid 90's)

Stormwater:

31st Street Vault: The shop drawings for the structures and the treatment vault have been provided to the Engineer for approval and the contract documents are under review. Once these reviews are completed and the delivery date of the vault structure determined a notice to proceed will be issued to the contractor. The church work currently underway along Bayshore should be close to completion by the time this project gets underway.

Bayshore Drive MOEX Grant Project Drainage Improvements: The plans for this drainage and water quality improvements project are nearing the 60% design. A construction cost analysis is underway to determine how much of the project can be completed with the available grant funding. Once that has been determined a final submittal will be provided to the FDEP for review and approval.

Kelly Road Easement: The Kelly Road the property owners that agreed to provide the city a drainage easement for the new outfall pipe line have also agreed to lengthening that city easement to accommodate the extension of the outfall line and installation of a treatment vault.

Thomas Branch: The City has reached a tentative agreement to purchase 2.38 acres of the property south of SR 20 along Thomas Branch. We are currently gathering the information required by NFWF in order to make this land acquisition. Once the property acquisition is approved the engineering and design can begin. The cost of the property and the associated closing cost are within the amount budgeted in the grant.

Headwater Restoration: The final draft of the permit application and all the required supporting documentation will be provided to the City for final comment by end of next week. Plans are to submit all permits applications to FDEP and ACOE by August. The invasive species bid package is being prepared for advertisement.
City Landing Phase 1 Update: All of the phase 1 site improvements have been completed with the exception of the paver installation and some sod. The state has issued amendment #2 extending the grant until September 1 but all of the phase 1 site work will be completed in August.

Turkey Creek 8.6 Acre Site – Plans are underway to develop the overall master plan for this property that will meet the restoration requirements of the FCT Grant. Some of the additional site improvements we will be exploring are wetlands creation, stream restoration and enhanced stormwater treatment.

MS-4 Permitting: The City’s annual MS-4 Permit compliance audit has been reviewed and approved by FDEP.

Development Update

Deer Moss Creek: All of the right of ways have been seeded and the stormwater treatment ponds are sodded and stabilized.

Street Lighting Upgrades: Gulf Power has been authorized to upgrade the current lighting fixtures on Rocky Bayou Drive from Publix to Forest Road. We had received request to improve the lighting at two entrance ways to the Rocky Wood Subdivisions. The LED lighting will also improve the illumination of the walkway that was installed a few years back.

Regional Sewer System – Update

No Report.

Police Department - Update

Chief Popwell stated that during the month of June, the Police Department responded to 2039 calls for police assistance. There were a total of 43 traffic crash reports written involving 81 vehicles and 2 pedestrians. The estimated amount of damage to these vehicles and related property was $238,850. A total of 187 Traffic Citations were issued, 35 Misdemeanor, 20 Felony and 7 DUI Arrests were made.
Fire Department – Update

During the month of June 2017 the Fire Department responded to a total of 161 calls, 139 calls were located in the City with 22 Mutual Aid calls. Chief Mayville stated that the JTC meeting was attended by the Assistant Chief and the on duty Lieutenant. He stated that a large group of children from the Plew Elementary Summer Program came to the station for a tour and to hear about fire safety. Several other small groups also came to visit the station and view the fire trucks. Several Firefighters have completed and passed the Pump Operator and Hydraulics courses.

Other Business:

Mayor - Planning Commission Appointments/Reappointments

Mayor Wise asked Councilman Schaetzle about his nomination. Councilman Schaetzle moved to reappoint Mr Carl Donahoo to serve on the Planning Commission for another three years stating that he has done a great job representing the City. Mayor Wise then asked Councilman Henkel about his nomination. Councilman Henkel moved to reappoint Mrs Suanne Wilson to the Planning Commission. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Nodjomian-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

Mr Corbin discussed his plans to showcase the City of Niceville during City Government Week scheduled to be held during the week of October the 23rd thru the 27th. He stated that the public will be invited to tour City Hall; the Library, and the New Senior Center.

Code Enforcement Report - Update

Mr Corbin stated that a total of 30 inspections and lien reports for banks and lien holders were made. Received 2 calls about overloaded and trash around dumpsters. All trash cleaned up. Received 5 calls about yards needing cleaning. A total of 3 cases still open. Received 1 call about property owner running a thrift shop out of her home. No violation found. Received 3 calls about illegal dumping on the right of way. All cases cleared. Received 3 calls about dead trees needing cutting. Owners have agreed to have the trees taken care of. Several calls about illegal parking. All calls have been checked out and vehicles removed as needed.
Councilman Nodjomian stated the public is invited to attend a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 17, 2017 at Niceville High School to celebrate the installation of the new rubberized track and asked that everyone serving on the Council to attend. In addition, he stated that the Restore Act approved funding for the Landing Project and the Chamber of Commerce will be receiving a new outdoor pavilion. Councilman Nodjomian praised the Youth Council for being honor again this year winning 1st place in the Florida League of Cities Photo Contest for their very successful Community Cleanup Campaign. They will be honored during the Florida League of Cities Annual Conference and will be receiving a nice award check for their efforts. He stated he will arrange for a representative to accept the award during the conference.

Councilman Rominger praised the efforts of all who contributed their time and energy in support of the Boston Butt sale to fund the Annual Fireworks Display. He stated it was outstanding again this year. He stated that Okaloosa Gas purchased Boston Butts and made them into Pork Nachos and sold them during the “Smoke on the Coast” event held in Destin. They placed 4th out 15 entries in the tasters choice. Proceeds were donated by Okaloosa Gas to the Heritage Museum which was much appreciated. He stated that Anne Bauer representing Okaloosa Gas was present tonight and expressed his appreciation for the donation.

New Council Voting System.

Mr Jessie Mason from the Technology Department assisted Council Members on how to use the new Electronic Voting System recently installed replacing the manual process. Members of the City Council can now view the voting results via a display monitor and the public has their own mounted monitor to view voting results.

Bills Payable:

Councilman Nodjomian moved approval. Councilman Rominger seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Nodjomian-yes; Rominger-Yes. Motion passed
The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

ATTEST:

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MAYOR

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CITY CLERK