

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
AUGUST 14, 2007

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, August 14, 2007 in the Council Chambers, 208 N Partin Drive. All Council members and the Mayor were present. Also present were City Manager, Lannie Corbin; City Clerk, Dan Doucet; City Attorney, Gillis Powell Sr.; City Planner, Wanda Cruttenden; Police Department, Chief Cruttenden; Director of Public Works, Bruce Price; a member of the press and visitors in the audience. Mayor Wise led the pledge of allegiance and offered the prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting July 10, 2007
Special Council Meeting July 17, 2007
Special Council Meeting July 23, 2007

Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Tislow seconded. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting - August 6, 2007
Local Planning Agency Meeting - No Meeting Held

Councilman Tislow moved approval. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Presentation:

Ms Debbie Lewis – Niceville’s Parade of Christmas

Ms Lewis briefed the council regarding suggestion that would expand previous plans regarding the program recently approved for the Niceville Community Christmas. Discussion followed.

Ordinance 07-05-02 - An emergency ordinance establishing an additional Homestead Tax Exemption totaling \$50,00 for certain residents of the City of Niceville who have attained the age of Sixty-Five and whose household incomes do not exceed \$24,214; providing for authority; providing for definitions; establishing additional Homestead Tax exemption;

providing rescission; providing exemption limitation; providing for severability; providing an effective date.

Mr Doucet advised that this ordinance was adopted in May, 2007 and to comply with our charter we must review the circumstances and conditions existing at the time of adoption of the emergency ordinance to determine if the necessity for such ordinance still exists. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

Ordinance 07-08-01 B An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida from R-2, One or Multiple Family to C-2, General Commercial. Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, Niceville Heights, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 102, of the Public Records of Okaloosa County, Florida. Cynthia Bryan, 414 Niceville Avenue. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-08-01 by title. Councilman Tislow moved approval on third reading. Councilman Swihart seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

Ordinance 07-08-02 B An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida from R-1, Single Family to R-2, One or Multiple Family. Lots 12 and the Northeast 2 of Lot 11, Block 6, Powell Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 96, of the Public Records of Okaloosa County, Florida. Patrick and Mary Leonpacher, 718 Powell Drive (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 07-08-02 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval on third reading. Councilman Tislow seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

Ordinance 07-10-07 - An ordinance annexing to the City of Niceville, Florida, contiguous lands described as set forth herein; providing for proper advertisement pursuant to Florida Statutes 171.044; providing that the property will be zoned PUD, Planned Unit Development; providing for the severability of this ordinance; providing an effective date and providing for filing with the Clerk of Court and Department of State. (First Reading)

Mayor Wise advised that the owner of the property requested this item be tabled until the next council meeting. Councilman Tislow moved to table this item. Councilman Swihart seconded. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

Resolution 07-08-01 - The Florida Department of Environmental Protections (FDEP) State Revolving Fund (SRF) Loan Program; making findings; authorizing execution of the escrow agreement amendment; designating authorized representatives; providing assurances; providing for conflicts; severability and effective date.

Mr Doucet read resolution 07-08-01 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Tislow seconded. Discussion followed. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Water/Sewer/Drainage Projects - Update:

Mr Price briefed the status of current projects.

Regional Sewer System - Update:

No Report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT B UPDATE

Chief Mayville briefed the status of current projects.

POLICE DEPARTMENT B UPDATE

Chief Cruttenden briefed the status of current projects.

LIBRARY B UPDATE

Ms Sheila Bishop briefed the status of current projects regarding the Library, Community Center and the Children's Park.

OTHER:

Appointment of Mayor Protem:

Mayor Wise advised that we traditionally appoint a Mayor Protem in October, however, since Mr Brewer is no longer on the council we have a need to replace him. Mayor Wise advised that Councilman Tislow is will to be the Mayor Protem. Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Smith seconded. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

BILLS PAYABLE

Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council vote: Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes; Swihart-yes; Tislow-yes; Thomas-yes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK