

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
FEBRUARY 12, 2008

The Niceville Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, February 12, 2008 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; Asst City Attorney, Dixie Powell; 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 Councilman Thomas offered the prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting January 8, 2008
Special Council Meeting January 17, 2008
Special Council Meeting February 5, 2008

Councilman Thomas moved approval. Councilman Smith Seconded. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting - No Meeting Held
Local Planning Agency Meeting - February 4, 2008

Councilman Swihart moved approval. Councilman Smith Seconded. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Presentation – O’Sullivan Creel - Tammy McGaughy, CPA

Ms McGaughy provided an overview of the results of the recent City-wide Audit. Discussion followed.

Presentation - Take Stock in Children Program - Cindy Frazier

Mr Corbin provided an overview regarding the Katie Moody estate. Mr Corbin advised that the City received \$ 469,000 from the estate and also acquired the property where the Katie’s Flower shop is located. The building will be renovated at a later date and turned in to a Senior Center. Mr Corbin advised that the city purchased a Certificate of Deposit (CD) and invested the funds for a year at 5.75 % APR. The interest from the CD places us in a position to purchase scholarships. He further stated in his discussions with the

late Katie Moody that it was her wishes to provide a program that would help children who reside in Niceville to obtain a higher education who otherwise could not afford it.

Ms Cindy Frazier, the program coordinator briefed the council on the Take Stock in Children Program. She advised that the student, parents, and the foundation sign an agreement (contract). The student is selected in the 6th grade; is assigned a mentor; receives a background check; must have a good attendance record; and must have and maintain good behavior. She advised that the program has zero-tolerance drug policy and the student must maintain an acceptable grade point average and must have a need for financial assistance. She advised that if the City of Niceville purchases a \$5,000 scholarship the state will match the amount resulting in a \$10,000 scholarship. Discussion followed. Ms Frazier introduced Sarah Maden a 7th grader who is participating in the Take Stock in Children's Program. Ms Maden expressed her views of the program along with her appreciation for the opportunity to obtain a higher education that may not be possible otherwise. Discussion followed. Councilman Smith moved for the City to participate in the take Stock in Children Program and recommended the purchase of two scholarships this year. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

PRESENTATION - Mr Greg Donavon, Airport Director for Okaloosa County

Mr Donavon provided an overview of Airport Operations along with future plans regarding air travel service. He pledged to become involved in the community and thanked the council for allowing him to make his presentation.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Proposed amendments to the Stormwater Facilities Plan - Valparaiso Blvd Improvements. Mr Ron Rogers, Baskerville Donovan conducted a public hearing regarding the proposed amendments to the Stormwater Facilities Plan. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

- Proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan - Water System Facilities Plan Provisions - Approval to submit to the Department of Community Affairs. Wanda Cruttenden, City Planner briefed the council regarding the proposed amendments and requested council approval to submit to the Department of Community Affairs. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

- Proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Plan - Public Schools Facilities Provisions - Approval to submit to the Department of Community Affairs. Wanda Cruttenden, City Planner briefed the council regarding the proposed amendments and requested council approval to submit to the Department of Community Affairs. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

- Community Development Block Grant

__ First Public Hearing to Select a Grant Category (2008 Community Development Block Grant) - Scott Modesitt, Summit Professional Services, Inc. Mr Modesitt conducted a public hearing to select a Grant Category. He and city staff recommended the Housing Rehabilitation Program category which is a \$700,000 Grant. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Mr Modesitt recommended applying for an Economic Development Category Grant as well. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

- Fair Housing Workshop - Scott Modesitt, Summit Professional Services, Inc. Mr Modesitt conducted the workshop. No comments from the audience. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

-Adoption of CDBG Citizen Participation Plan and consideration of Citizen Advisory Task Force. Ms Cruttenden briefed the council recommending to appoint the Local Planning Agency to act in this capacity. Councilman Smith moved approval. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council Vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Ordinance 08-02-01 - An ordinance annexing to the City of Niceville, Florida, contiguous lands described as set forth herein; providing for proper advertisement pursuant to Florida Statutes 171.04; providing that the property will be zoned R-1, single family residential, West 2 of lots 25 and 26, block 111, Valparaiso Realty Company's Pine Crest Addition to Valparaiso, Sheet No. 3, Subdivision No. 6, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 56, Public Records of Okaloosa County, Florida; providing for severability of this ordinance; providing an effective date and providing for filing with the Clerk of Court and Department of State. Cherie Miller, 13th Street. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-01 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval on third reading. Councilman Thomas seconded. No one spoke for or against. Mayor Wise asked if anyone exparted the property. Councilman Smith and Councilman Swihart advised that he conducted a site visit. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Ordinance 08-02-02 - An ordinance for the rezoning of certain properties in the City of Niceville, Florida, from R-2, one or multiple family to C-1, limited commercial. Metes and bounds description, Exhibit A. Providing zoning for same and an effective date. D & R Development, LLC 380 Iowa Street. (Third Reading)

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

Ordinance 08-02-03 - An ordinance of the City of Niceville, Florida amending Ordinance No. 228, July 14, 1970, as amended, to change the name of business license to local business tax. (Third Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-03 by title. Councilman Thomas moved approval on third reading. Councilman Swihart seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Ordinance 08-02-04 An ordinance renewing and extending an exclusive franchise to Waste Management, Inc. of Florida for the purpose of Residential Garbage Collection; and providing an effective date (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-04 by title. Councilman Thomas moved approval on second reading. Councilman Swihart seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Ordinance 08-02-05 - An ordinance renewing and extending an exclusive franchise to Waste Management, Inc. of Florida for the purpose of Commercial Garbage Collection; and providing an effective date. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-05 by title. Councilwoman Boudreaux moved approval on second reading. Councilman Thomas seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Ordinance 08-02-06 - An ordinance of the City of Niceville, Florida establishing rates for the collection of Residential and Commercial Garbage; providing for a rate increase and providing for an effective date. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-06 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval on second reading. Councilman Thomas seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Resolution 08-02-01 - A resolution of the City of Niceville urging members of the Florida Legislature to support the issues identified by the Florida League of Cities.

Mr Doucet read Resolution 08-02-01 by title. Councilman Swihart moved approval.

Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes.

Resolution 08-02-02 - A resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase a Fire Sprinkler and Alarm System for the new Fire Department Building.

Mr Doucet read Ordinance 08-02-02 by title. Councilman Thomas moved approval. Councilman Swihart seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-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

LIBRARY - UPDATE

Ms Bishop read a letter received from State Representative Ray Sansom in support of the Take Stock in Children Scholarship Program. Ms Bishop provided circulation statistical information to the council.

POLICE DEPT - UPDATE

Chief Cruttenden briefed the status of current projects in the department.

FIRE DEPT - UPDATE

Chief Mayville briefed the status of current projects in the department.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Councilman Henkel moved to appoint Ms Vickie Ritchson, 105 Lincolnshire to the Planning Commission. He provided an overview of accomplishments and community involvement. Councilman Thomas seconded. Council vote: Henkel-yes; Swihart-yes; Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Smith-yes

BILLS PAYABLE

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK