

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
NOVEMBER 6, 2008

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, November 6, 2008 in the Council Chambers, 208 N Partin Drive. All Council members, except for Councilman Smith and Councilman Swihart, 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, Lt Sallee; Public Works Director Bruce Price; a member of the press, and visitors in the audience. Mayor Wise led the pledge of allegiance and Councilman Henkel offered the prayer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting, October 14, 2008

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

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

Planning Commission Meeting - No Meeting Held

Local Planning Agency Meeting - November 3, 2008

Wanda Cruttenden, City Planner read the minutes of their meeting. Councilman Thomas moved approval. Councilman Henkel seconded. Council Vote: Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes.

Public Hearing:

Capital Improvement Element:

Ms Cruttenden requested council approval to submit the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment to the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) as discussed in their meeting of November 3, 2008. Councilman Thomas moved approval. Councilman Henkel seconded. Council vote: Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes.

PRESENTATION -.

Mr Jim Hataway, Commander, VFW Post 10090 expressed his deep appreciation for the outstanding support they received from the Police Department and the Fire Department.
MINUTES, REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 6, 2008 PAGE TWO

He presented a plaque to Officer Don Sanders of the Police Department and to Fireman Chris Pogozielski of the Fire Department

CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Water/Sewer/Drainage Projects - Update:

Mr Price briefed the status of current projects.

Regional Sewer System - Update: No Report.

POLICE DEPT - UPDATE

Lt Sallee briefed the status of current projects in the department.

FIRE DEPT - UPDATE

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

CITY CLERK

Accounts Receivable

Mr Doucet advised that good accounting practices dictates that we do not overstate our receivables. He advised that as a result, we annually declare our bad debts and remove that amount from our receivables. Mr Doucet advised that we should do this when we feel a debt may not be paid. He advised that we have declared receivables through 2005 as bad debts. He advised that we are proposing to declare receivables for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006 as uncollectible. He stated that we billed \$7,822,958 in FY-06 and received \$7,785,051 which leaves \$37,907 as uncollectible which represents a (.0048%) bad debt rate. Discussion followed. He advised that declaring this amount as uncollectible does not indicate that we discontinue our collection efforts. We utilize the services of a collection agency and each customer rejoining our system is screened. Councilman Thomas moved approval. Councilman Henkel seconded. Council vote: Thomas-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes.

Other:

Mr Corbin advised that Councilman Swihart is being recognized later this month by the Florida League of Cities for his 25 years of dedicated service. Mr Corbin lauded the many contributions made by Councilman Swihart over the years who is very deserving of this special recognition.

Mr Corbin advised the next regular council meeting will be held on December 2, 2008 at 7:00 at the Niceville Community Center.

BILLS PAYABLE:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK