



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 1999 AT 7:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET
NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA

Pursuant to proper notice a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held October 4, 1999, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor George F. Vaughn, Jr.
Vice Mayor Thomas A. Tankersley
Councilor Edward S. Jones
Councilor Robert D. Shimp
Councilor Ronald D. Patronik

City Attorney Christopher White
City Manager Richard A. Linn
Acting City Clerk Lisa Volpe
Building Official Dan Arlington

Order Call/Pledge

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

AWARDS / PRESENTATIONS

Employee of the Year

City Manager Linn announced that Paul Monroe, a mechanic in the Public Services Department, was nominated to receive the Employee of the Year Award. Mr. Monroe received the award on September 9, 1999 at a luncheon sponsored by the Beaches Chamber of Commerce. He would also receive a plaque and his name would be added to the permanent plaque displayed in the City Hall.

For the Record

Mayor Vaughn announced, for the record, that Dr. Jeff Goldhagen with the Duval County Health Department was present and would like to give an update on the Red Tide.

Red Tide

Dr. Jeff Goldhagen reported that a red tide organism had been identified two weeks ago and normally would last four to six weeks. The Health Department intended to sample the ocean water once a week to monitor the organism and do what is called centennials, that is having people volunteer to be part of a study to have their symptoms monitored, in order to find out if the problem is increasing, decreasing or staying the same. Dr. Goldhagen also stated that nothing could be done about the red tide and that nature just had to take its course. The only real problem suggested is that people with acute respiratory problems stay away from the beaches. Dr. Goldhagen insured residents that the water would be monitored and weekly reports would be given to the media.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: **TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES:**

AUGUST 16, 1999, TOWN HALL
SEPTEMBER 7, 1999, REGULAR
SEPTEMBER 9, 1999, BUDGET
SEPTEMBER 20, 1999, SPECIAL
SEPTEMBER 20, 1999, WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 20, 1999 TOWN HALL
SEPTEMBER 27, 1999, BUDGET ADOPTION

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn
 Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

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| Proposed Land Development Changes | Councilor Patronik commented that he had received numerous phone calls about the proposed changes to the land development regulations reducing zoning from duplex to residential, with a limitation on rebuilding being four months, and he didn't feel that was adequate time.

Councilor Shimp also stated that he had received numerous phone calls also related to non-conformance and suggested that Council leave it the way its stands. |
| Trash Pick Up | Councilor Shimp commented that he had received calls about trash pick up after the storm and feels the city should be more proactive and have trash picked up in a more timely fashion. |
| Florida Community Trust | City Manager Linn reported that he had received correspondence from Building Official Dan Arlington, stating that the city had received a favorable review from Florida Community Trust and had made the project list for 1. 3 million dollars to acquire property to be used for preservation. The council congratulated Dan Arlington on a job well done. |

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

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| Water and Sewer Project – Town Center | <u>WATER AND SEWER PROJECT PROJECT – TOWN CENTER:</u> City Manager Linn reported that the project for water and sewer improvements for Town Center was ninety-five percent completed and should be one hundred percent complete within one week. |
| Shutter Bus Update | <u>SHUTTLE BUS UPDATE:</u> City Manager Linn announced that he had met with Danny Orr of Jacksonville Transportation Authority and had an estimated cost. Danny Orr suggested that Mr. Linn set a meeting with the affected merchants and proprietors of businesses to discuss interest in pursuing the matter. |
| Ad Hoc Traffic Safety and IBBC | <u>AD HOC TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AND ISH BRANT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE JOINT MEETING WITH COUNCILMAN HOLLAND AND COUNCILWOMAN BROWN:</u> City Manager Linn explained that the Ad Hoc Traffic Safety Committee and the Ish Brant Beautification Committee had met with Councilman Holland and Councilwoman Brown last week to discuss a joint effort in funding improvements along Florida Boulevard, in conjunction with the Metropolitan Planning Organization project for a bike path in the year 2001. The effort is to put in culvert pipe and carry the water |

along Florida Boulevard so that the right of way could be developed. Councilman Holland had volunteered to take on the project himself.

Florida Boulevard Project

FLORIDA BOULEVARD PROJECT: Councilor Tankersley announced that the Metropolitan Planning Organization would be meeting on Thursday morning, and asked if anyone would be interested in joining him to try and get the Florida Boulevard Project moving forward.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Johnnie Eply, 208 Driftwood Road, asked why questions were not allowed during Council Meetings and asked mayor Vaughn to enforce order in meetings.

Leslie Lyne, 501 Hopkins Street, voiced concern about a comment made by our Mayor and stated that elected officials should be held to higher standards.

Danny Thiele, 107 Azalea Place, thanked the council for adopting the Sea Turtle Ordinance.

Leslie Karlin, 1506 Spindrift Circle West, thanked the Police Department for the information she received during the storm while out of town and voiced concern about the Red schoolhouse rezoning.

CONSENT AGENDA / NONE

VARIANCES / NONE

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 1999-13

ORDINANCE NO. 1999-13, FIRST READ AND PUBLIC HEARING: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH ON APPROXIMATELY .30 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED WEST OF POINCIANA ROAD, NORTH OF BAY ROAD, EAST OF FLORIDA BOULEVARD, AND SOUTH OF KINGS CIRCLE SOUTH FROM COMMERCIAL MEDIUM DENSITY TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DARE:

The Mayor read Ordinance No. 1999-13 by title only and opened the public hearing.

Leslie Karlin, 1506 Spindrift Circle West, asked exactly what the title meant.

Building Official Dan Arlington explained that according to our Land Use Regulations, a school cannot be located in a commercial district, and that the Red School House was requesting to rezone two lots from commercial to residential for expansion of the school.

Jill Sprowell, Executive Director of the Beaches Division of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, voiced support for Ordinance No. 1999-13 and Ordinance No. 1999-14.

There being no further public comments the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Tankersley, seconded by Shimp.

Motion: **TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1999-13, AS STATED.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Ordinance No.
1999-14

ORDINANCE NO. 1999-14, FIRST READ AND PUBLIC HEARING: AN ORDINANCE REZONING APPROXIMATELY .30 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED WEST OF POINCIANA ROAD, NORTH OF BAY ROAD, EAST OF FLORIDA BOULEVARD, AND SOUTH OF KINGS CIRCLE SOUTH FROM COMMERCIAL MEDIUM DENSITY TO MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Mayor read Ordinance No. 1999-14 by title only and opened the public hearing. There being no public comments the public hearing was closed.

Moved by Shimp, seconded by Jones.

Motion: **TO PASS ORDINANCE NO. 1999-14, AS STATED.**

Roll call vote:

Ayes: 5 - Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED**OLD BUSINESS**

Resolution 99-20

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 99-20: RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO SUPPORT, DEVELOP AND INTRODUCE LEGISLATION AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE ADMINISTERED GROUP HEALTH PROGRAM TO ALLOW PARTICIPATION BY THOSE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS WHO ARE ALSO ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN THE FLORIDA STATE RETIREMENT.

LET IT BE KNOWN, the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach, does hereby resolve while meeting in regular session, and recognizing that the task of obtaining adequate and continuing health insurance coverage for employees of small communities continues to become more difficult; and

WHEREAS, the City Council realizes that this is not a problem unique to the City of Neptune Beach alone; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the Florida League of Cities has made some effort in this area but has proven ineffective in meeting the needs of very small communities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognized this need and does hereby agree to pursue assistance through introduction of amending legislation that would allow those active participants in the Florida Group Health Insurance Program in an effort to equalize their opportunities to provide reasonable, affordable and continuing health insurance coverage for their employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA, THAT this Resolution shall be sent to our local Legislative Delegation requesting the drafting of amendments for introduction at the next Legislative Session and likewise circulated to all Cities and Counties that have a population of 50,000 residents or less to request their support of their Legislative Delegations to support said proposed legislative amendments.

Moved by Tankersley, seconded by Patronik.

Motion: **TO APPROVE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF EXTENSION STATE**

ADMINISTERED HEALTH PROGRAM.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Maintenance Agreement

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE MAYPORT FLYOVER PROJECT: City Manager Linn recommended approval of the joint participation agreement for landscaping and irrigation improvements with a condition to approve the design.

Moved by Jones, seconded by Patronik.

Motion: **TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY WITH THE CONDITION THAT THE NEPTUNE BEACH COUNCIL APPROVE THE LANDSCAPE DESIGN.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 5 – Jones, Patronik, Shimp, Tankersley, Vaughn

Noes: 0

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS / NONE

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

George F. Vaughn, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Lisa Volpe, Acting City Clerk

Approved: _____