



**MINUTES**  
**WORKSHOP CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 17, 2002 AT 7:00 P.M.**  
**CITY HALL, 116 FIRST STREET**  
**NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA**

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Pursuant to proper notice a Workshop Meeting of the City Council of the City of Neptune Beach was held June 17, 2002 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 116 First Street, Neptune Beach, Florida.

Attendance:

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Richard A. Brown  
Vice Mayor Robert A. Shimp  
Councilor James Gilbert  
Councilor Ronald A. Patronik  
Councilor Harriet Pruette  
City Attorney Christopher White

City Manager Richard A. Linn  
City Clerk Lisa Volpe, CMC  
Director of Finance Steve Ramsey  
Assistant to the City Manager Terry Klein  
Building Official Dan Arlington

Call to Order/Roll Call

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

IBBC

ISH BRANT BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: The Beautification Committee was actively working on the Adopt-a-Street End Program, the Butterfly Garden, the Bike Path on Florida Boulevard, and a buffer zone between the Mayport Flyover and the residents of Watersedge.

Mayor Brown reported that Crime Prevention Officer Lisa Van Nelson and himself went door to door with a flyer inviting the neighbors surrounding Jarboe Park to attend a crime watch meeting at the pavilion in the park on June 20, 2002.

**CITY MANAGERS PUNCH LIST**

Jarboe Park

JARBOE PARK IMPROVEMENT: The fabrication of the Foot Bridge had been completed. City staff was to construct a concrete foundation for the bridge. The handicap swing was installed and a second seat for the swing had been ordered.

Utility Improvement

UTILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM: Utilex had started installing the new water lines in Bal Harbour and the area should be completed by the end of the month.

**PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

Ord. No. 2002-04

ORDINANCE NO. 2002-04, IMPERVIOUS SURFACES: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA AMENDING SECTION 27-238, MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Consensus: **HAVE BUILDING OFFICIAL DAN ARLINGTON MAKE THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES AND FORWARD TO THE JULY REGULAR MEETING.**

Ord. No. 2002-05 **ORDINANCE NO. 2002-05, AMENDING TABLE 27-226-1, PERMISSIBLE USES:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEPTUNE BEACH, FLORIDA AMENDING TABLE 27-226-1, TABLE OF PERMISSIBLE USES AND PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Brown asked to amend the ordinance to deal only with allowing the Women's Health Center in the C-2 and C-3 districts. A public hearing had been advertised for Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Consensus: **TO AMEND THE ORDINANCE TO DEAL ONLY WITH ALLOWING THE WOMEN'S HEALTH CENTER.**

#### **CONTRACT/AGREEMENTS**

4X4 Pick-Up **PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION – 4 X 4 PICK-UP TRUCK FOR STORMWATER & DRAINAGE:** City Manager Linn explained the animal control truck needed to be replaced. He asked Council for approval to replace the stormwater pickup truck with a new truck and pass the old stormwater truck to animal control.

Consensus: **FORWARD TO THE REGULAR JULY COUNCIL MEETING.**

#### **ISSUE DEVELOPMENT**

Voting Delegate FLC **SELECTION OF VOTING DELEGATE TO FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES:** Council needed to designate a voting delegate for the Florida League of Cities Conference. One official from each city would make decisions that determine the direction of the League.

Councilor Patronik nominated Mayor Brown, Councilor Gilbert seconded Councilor Patronik's nomination of Mayor Brown, and nominated Councilor Patronik to be the alternate.

Consensus: **TO DESIGNATE MAYOR BROWN TO BE DELEGATE FOR THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES AND COUNCILOR PATRONIK TO BE HIS ALTERNATE.**

July 5<sup>th</sup> Holiday **JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> HOLIDAY, COUNCILOR GILBERT:** Councilor Gilbert recommended that Council give permission for the city employees to have the following Friday, after July 4<sup>th</sup> off.

Consensus: **TO GIVE PERMISSION FOR THE CITY EMPLOYEES TO HAVE THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY, AFTER JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> OFF.**

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: 3 – Gilbert, Pruette, Brown

Noe: 2 – Patronik, Shimp

Special Recognition **CITIZEN SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD, COUNCILOR PRUETTE:** Councilor Pruette suggested a Special Recognition Award program be in place for outstanding citizens who are worthy. Vice Mayor Shimp stated the City had always recognized outstanding citizens in the past. Mayor Brown asked everyone to be aware and look for those citizens who would be considered worthy of the recognition.

- Severed Utility Lines      SEVERED UTILITY LINES, COUNCILOR PRUETTE: City Manager Linn informed the Council that the City took action and installed a grinder pump and ran a water and sewer line out to Penman Road and Neptune Lane. The two women that experienced the damage to their utility lines now had utility services. He wrote a letter to the owner of the property at 1807 Penman Road, stating the city code authorized the city to assess the cost and he would bring the invoices to the Council to determine how to assess the property owner.
- City Attorney White stated there were criminal charges against Mr. Jim McCue for damaging the water, sewer and cable lines. He advised Council and staff not to comment on the issue. Under the City Code the City could assess the property owner for the cost of the connection. After three months the assessment would earn an interest rate of 8%. The code also allowed Council to decide if the City should cover part of the cost of the hook up of the lateral line.
- Ms. Peggy Roush, 1807 Penman Road, stated she received a letter from City Manager Linn, notifying her of the assessment on the property after the new utility lines were installed. She would rather have been notified before. She felt Jim McCue should take some responsibility for the cost because he initiated the problem by severing the utility lines.
- Mayor Brown stated City Manager Linn was compiling the figures and the assessment would be fair.
- Watersedge      WATERSEDGE – TITLE SEARCH, CITY ATTORNEY: City Attorney White explained the title searches for Watersedge had been completed. He issued an opinion letter to the city stating that lots 1 through 8 and 16 through 21 were determined lots of record. He would issue an opinion letter this week advising the remaining units 9 through 14, 15 and 22, were also determined lots of record.
- Poinciana Drive      POINCIANA DRIVE – ACCESS, COUNCILOR PRUETTE: City Manager Linn stated he had not received any communications from anyone regarding the access road since the last council meeting. The minor replat was granted at the last meeting with the condition council would approve the access. When he received a proposal he would place it on the agenda.
- Steve Jarrett stated what he thought should happen next was for the city to determine if the water management permit was current and sufficient for the area. His original application to the city was that he would renew the water management permit for the area and install the infrastructure in front of his property as designed by the Master Plan for the area. The only issue that had not been determined was how to access the property. He offered to give Council a report on the current status of the water management permit at the next meeting.
- Seagate Subdivision      PROPOSED SEAGATE SUBDIVISION DISCUSSION, CITY MANAGER & BUILDING OFFICIAL: City Manager Linn stated Steve Jarrett brought him the proposal for the proposed subdivision because it involved a City right-of-way on Seagate Avenue.
- Steve Jarrett stated he would like to delay the discussion on the Seagate Subdivision because the Planning & Development Review Board would be held the following night and they made a request to have the opportunity to hear all the information and make a recommendation to the Council.

Steve Jarrett asked the Council if he could address the height restriction of 28' in the wider width lots subdivision. The current residential height restriction was 28', St. Augustine, Atlantic Beach, Jacksonville Beach, and Fernandina Beach had residential height restrictions of 35'. He felt it was an unusable restriction without an identifiable objective. It was causing people buying expensive lots to have unattractive profiles and low ceilings. He felt the height restriction of 28' needed to be looked at more carefully and in detail.

Public Comments

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Darryl Grubbs, 1919 Nightfall Drive, felt any type of sales should be permitted in the C-1 district and the C-2 district should allow on site storage by special exception. He also suggested allowing take out restaurants in commercial districts.

Lana Huguenin, 1521 Summer Sands Drive, was still concerned about how Steve Jarrett would access his property. Steve Jarrett replied he was still working on a plan to submit to the Council for their approval.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Richard A. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

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Lisa Volpe, CMC, City Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_