

MINUTES  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA  
JUNE 10, 2014

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, June 10, 2014 in the Council Chambers, 208 N Partin Drive. All Council members, except for Councilmen Nodjomian and Henkel, and the Mayor was present. Also present were City Manager Lannie Corbin; City Clerk, Dan Doucet; Public Works Director, Bruce Price; Police Department, Chief Popwell; Fire Department, Chief Mayville; Technology Department, Chad Morris; a member of the press, and 14 Visitors in the audience. Councilman Schaetzle offered the prayer and led the pledge of allegiance. Mayor Wise called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting, May 13, 2014  
Planning Commission Meeting, No Meeting Held  
Local Planning Agency Meeting, No Meeting Held

Councilman Rominger moved approval. Councilman Schaetzle seconded. Council Vote: Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Ordinance 14-07-01 – An ordinance annexing to the City of Niceville, Florida contiguous lands described as set forth herein; providing for proper advertisement pursuant to Florida Statutes 171.044; providing that the property will be zoned C-2, General Commercial; providing for the severability of this ordinance; providing an effective date and providing for filing with the Clerk of Court and Department of State. Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 35, 36, 37, and 38, Block 59 of the Pinecrest Addition to Valparaiso, Florida Sheet Number 1, Subdivision #2, Okaloosa County, Florida; Lots 13 and 34, less and except the SE 10 feet of lot 34 to State Road Dept, Block 59, Valparaiso Pinecrest 2. Stephanie Clifton, representing Caray Kemp, 1023 Partin Drive N. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 14-07-01 by title. Councilman Rominger moved approval on second reading. Councilman Schaetzle seconded. Discussion followed. Council Vote: Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed.

Ordinance 14-07-02 – 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 R-3,

Multiple Family; providing for the severability of this ordinance; providing an effective date and providing for filing with the Clerk of Court and Department of State. Lots 5-8, Block 47, Valparaiso Realty Company's Pinecrest Addition #2, Valparaiso, Okaloosa County, Florida according to plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, at page 48, of the Official Records of Okaloosa County, Florida. Walter Smith, 415 Hickory Avenue. (Second Reading)

Mr Doucet read ordinance 14-07-02 by title. Councilman Rominger moved approval on first reading. Councilman Schaetzle seconded. Discussion followed. Council Vote: Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed.

Resolution 14-06-01 – A resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase services for Reclaimed Water Main Improvements and Water Main and Sewer Extensions.

Mr Doucet read Resolution 14-06-01 by title. Councilman Schaetzle moved approval. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. Discussion followed. Council Vote: Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed.

#### CITY MANAGER REPORTS/REQUESTS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

##### Water/Sewer/Drainage Projects - Update

Mr Price briefed the status of current projects.

#### **Water & Sewer**

**South Bayshore Pump Station:** The contractor has set the wet well in place for the new pump station. They have also started installing the gravity main that will serve the Magnolia Woods S/D and the new force main that will carry the flow to the plant. This work is requiring a road closure on Palm Blvd for the installation of those lines.

**750,000 Storage Tank:** The contractor is scheduling a spray crew to complete the spraying of the tank.

**Sewer Line Point Repairs and New Service Connections:** Sewer crews are continuing to identify and point repair sewer main and service line problems to prevent infiltration along with installing service connections for new construction. The majority of these

repairs and installations are requiring de-watering because of the high ground water levels.

**DEP Inspection:** The DEP inspection of our water distribution system was conducted since our last meeting and DEP found no major deficiencies with the water system operations and record keeping.

**Water Facilities Plan:** Jerry and his staff have been working with Poly Engineering updating our Water Facilities Plan evaluating service area needs and modeling the system to determine what future capacity improvements are necessary to meet growth projections.

**Line Camera:** The contractor has started the camera inspections of the sewer lines in the Linden Avenue / Everglades Area. These line inspections will determine what line repairs are necessary to eliminate infiltration problems in the Palm Estates service area.

**City Wide Projects:**

**Water Well Buildings:** Awaiting materials to complete the building improvements at water wells 5 & 10.

**Fire department:** Getting estimates for the installation of the drywall at the Fire Department Upstairs Floor.

**Special Event Preparations:** Site preparations for the Field Of Valor Memorial at the Mullet Site and early 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities.

**Building & Development:**

**VRC 17:** The site contractor has completed the onsite underground utility installations and road way work is underway.

**Magnolia Woods:** All onsite underground work is completed and the north/south entry road and upper access road are paved.

**Parkview Estates:** The driveway connection and roadway base work is being completed.

**Walmart Outparcels:** Building and site construction are ongoing.

**O'Reilly's Auto Parts:** Site and building construction are near completion.

**Streets:** We have contracted with a geotechnical company to assess the pavement and road base conditions on Rocky Bayou Drive. That information will be used to determine what preparations and improvements are necessary prior to repaving. Additional improvements of this roadway will be considered after the resurfacing cost are determined.

### **Storm Water Projects**

**Juniper Avenue Impoundment:** As you know we have received the DEP permit but the Army Corp of Engineers and the Fish and Wildlife are now requesting additional information and our engineer has provided that to them for their approval. At the present time beavers have blocked the stream below the Juniper Avenue crossing.

**31<sup>st</sup> Street & Bayshore Vault Project:** Mr Powell has been putting the agreement together for the land exchange. When the church and city can finalize that, our engineer will make the design changes and this project will be shovel ready.

**We have started addressing some of the Drainage System Problems we encountered last month:**

**Rhonda Drive Detention Pond:** Crews are removing and replacing a deteriorated pipe in the pond outfall System.

**Juniper & Kumquat Underdrain:** We have high pressure cleaned the underdrain system at Kumquat & Juniper along with making a point repair.

**Oak & Nutmeg Underdrain:** We have performed some maintenance on the underdrain system between Oak Avenue & Nutmeg and plan to replace some underdrain that has been compromised to alleviate standing water issues.

**Mahogany Court:** Performed a point repair to the damaged underdrain system.

**Pin Oak and Pine Cone Cove:** Temporary point repairs have been completed and materials are ordered to replace this entire system.

**Swift Creek Townhomes:** We have a problem with the underground drainage treatment system for this complex which has caused ground water and flooding problems on adjacent properties. We have spent a considerable amount of time and effort pumping the excess ground water from resident's property due to the failure of the parking lot drainage. We are still determining a course of action to address this issue.

**Royal Palm, Rattan Palm:** There are several old corrugated metal pipes in this immediate area that are in need of replacement. The recent high flows of storm water have caused several sink holes, some temporary repairs have been made and materials will be ordered once a full assessment has been completed.

**Bayshore Drive:** After our last council meeting I contacted the resident at 1407 and was provided a list of concerns which I forwarded to our engineer. Mr. Corbin and I met with Cleve Dryden from Baskerville Donovan and he provided a letter that mainly addressed the ground water issues relevant to the treatment pond. Cleve and I also inspected the pond site and surrounding area and discussed a course of action that might improve some of the offsite ground water issues.

**Plan of Action:**

The materials have been ordered to replace the Magnolia Shores to Bayshore Drive outfall system. This work will include the installation of 300 linear feet of 15" pipe to replace the deteriorated outfall pipe system that connects to the ditch system between 1406 and 1408. That pipe will be connected to a new 24" pipe that will replace a deteriorated pipe under the driveway at 1406. We will also be replacing the road crossing on Magnolia Shores and that will require close coordination with other utility companies. We will also be performing a considerable amount of ditch maintenance and stabilization work along Bayshore Drive between 1408 and 1416. That work will include sediment removal and road shoulder stabilization. The residents affected by this work have been notified. The pipe replacement work is scheduled to begin when materials arrive. Discussion followed.

Regional Sewer System – Update

Councilman Rominger provide an update stating that the upgrade to the plant is going well. He advised all 3 Tranes have been retrofitted with new hardware are now running/processing the flow as intended. He advised the new submersible screens are due in approximately 6 weeks. At that time the system will be running as it was designed to do.

**LIBRARY/COMMUNITY CENTER/CHILDEN'S PARK**

Ms Bishop stated the Niceville's Library is celebrating its 40th year in operation. Mr Corbin stated that he was a young City Manager recalling the 3-2 vote for Niceville to have its own library. He stated it has been a win – win situation for the City ever since that decision was made. Ms Bishop stated that 16 events were held at the Community Center during the month of May earning slightly over \$ 3,000. She advised the Spray Park opened on May the 1<sup>st</sup> at the Children's Park. She stated that the children and

parents take advantage of the Spray Park and really enjoy it. A total of 30 parties were held in the Park with approximately 900 people in attendance. She stated that during the month of May approximately 1,200 visitors came to our library. She advised that our circulation figures has declined slightly, however, they seem to fluctuate and pick up shortly after a decline. She stated we just keep providing services. She advised that the new Fireworks T-Shirts are on sale at several City locations. Isabella Jenkins, a Niceville High School student is the Art Contest winner this year. She has been invited along with her parents and teacher to attend the Chamber of Commerce Breakfast in the morning and will receive an award for her efforts.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT – UPDATE**

Chief Popwell stated that during the month of May the Police Department responded to 1785 calls for police assistance. There were a total of 31 traffic crash reports written involving 65 vehicles. The estimated amount of damage to these vehicles and related property was \$ 14,201. A total of 232 Traffic Citations were issued, 11 Misdemeanor, 12 Felony and no DUI Arrests were made. Chief Popwell provided a brief scenario of a life threatening issue in that someone was going to take his life. The action taken by one of his patrolmen prevented a dangerous situation from escalating bringing great credit upon himself; his background and training and to the City of Niceville. Chief Popwell stated that this is the first time in the history of Niceville that a Commendation Medal was awarded to an employee of the City. He stated that an appropriate ceremony will be conducted at a later date. Discussion followed.

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT – UPDATE**

Chief Mayville stated that during the month of May the Fire Department responded to a total of 147 calls. There were 140 calls located within the city limits and 7 mutual aid calls. He advise that Fire Fighters stood by at the Niceville High School graduation in the event if there was a need for assistance due to the heat. He stated Firefighters also sprayed the water for Edge Elementary School's "Water Day" to cool the kids off. This annual event is always a huge highlight for the kids on their final day of school. Chief Mayville stated they participated in a few other public relations activities within the City and at the station. He advised that two firefighters were currently attending an apparatus course.

### **TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT – UPDATE**

Chad Morris stated that the new network upgrade was complete and his department experienced minor issues. He stated the installation of in-car computers is progressing well and should be completed by the end of next week. He stated that his department will

be providing employee training/and or refresher training on password security. In addition, they have done some training on their new document management program called Laser Fiche. Mr Morris answered questions regarding firewall concerns. Discussion followed.

Other Business:

Mr Corbin lauded the efforts of the Exchange Club members who have worked diligently and completed a special project to recognize all people from the State of Florida who lost their lives after the 911 event. He advised there are 347 flags on display which are located behind the stage area of the mullet site. Each flag has an identification tag indicating their name, where they are from and the date they died. He advised this "Field of Valor" is very impressive and we should invite the members of this club to attend our next council meeting to be appropriately recognized. Discussion followed.

Ms Kim Ennis, 121 Mulry Drive stated that she is still not satisfied with the corrective action taken to eliminate the lighting and sound issues caused by the new Publix Store opening close to her neighborhood. Mr Corbin stated that he will continue to work with the developer and the store manager to help her gain back the quality of life issues she is experiencing. Discussion followed.

BILLS PAYABLE:

Councilwoman Boudreaux moved approval. Councilman Schaetzle seconded. Council Vote: Schaetzle-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK