MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF NICEVILLE, FLORIDA
AUGUST 11, 2015

The Niceville City Council met in regular session at 7:00 PM, August 11, 2015 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; Public Works Director, Bruce Price; Sheila Bishop; Library, Community Center and Children's Park; Chad Morris, Technology; Police Department, Chief Popwell; Fire Department, Asst Chief Lohrman; a member of the press, and 29 visitors in the audience. Councilman Henkel 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, July 14, 2015
Planning Commission Meeting, August 3, 2015
Local Planning Agency Meeting, No Meeting Held
Special Council Meeting, July 21, 2015
Special Council Meeting, July28, 2015

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

PRESENTATION:

Okaloosa County Distinguished Young Woman Class of 2016 scholarship program – Acknowledgements

Linda Dwyer stated she was selected for this honor while living in Alaska as a high school senior. At that time it was known as the Junior Miss Program. She stated that a few years ago Okaloosa County came together to change the name to the Okaloosa County Distinguished Young Woman which is now known nationally by this name. The individual selected for this award is chosen based on their scholastic ability; talent, interview, and self expression. Our winner this year is Madison "Mimi" Taylor from Niceville High School. There were 12 girls competing for this award and Mimi was the winner. She won in several categories and will represent Okaloosa County in the state competition that will be held in Winter Garden in January 2016. Ms Dwyer stated that her parents and grandparents are here tonight. She comes from a distinguished family stating that her grandmother was a member of the Okaloosa Hall of Fame and her Great

Grandmother was a distinguished person in her own time. Mimi has big shoes to fill to carry on that tradition, however, we feel she'll do very well. Ms Dryer thanked the council for recognizing her tonight. Mr Doucet read a proclamation in its entirety that was signed by Mayor Wise honoring Madison "Mimi" Taylor proclaiming August 12, 2015 as Mami Taylor Day in the City of Niceville.

Resolution 15-08-01 – A resolution granting approval for a Storage Facility within property zoned PUD, Planned Unit Development; providing for approval of plans and specifications; providing that the facility meets all building, zoning and future land use requirements under the land development code; and providing for an effective date. Lenny Siers, 321 Hwy 85 N.

Mr Doucet read Resolution 15-08-01 by title. Councilman Schaetzle moved approval. Councilman Rominger seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council Vote: Nodjomian-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-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

29th Street & Bullock Water Main: Crews completed a hot tap and tie in of the water lines at 29th Street and Bullock Boulevard to supplement the distribution system for that service area.

Edgewater Drive Water main extension: Crews have started the installation of approximately 500 lf of water main on Edgewater Drive near Rocky Bayou Drive. This line upgrade will improve the water distribution and fire protection for that area.

Man Hole Relining: Relining of 26 sewer manholes on Finck Road, Duncan Drive & Bayshore Drive scheduled to begin today.

Line Camera Work: We have completed the camera work and remapping of the sewer system on Duncan Drive and South Edgewater Drive. This work is part of the upcoming sewer line relining which is scheduled to begin in September.

Stormwater Projects

Tee Street: Crews completed an erosion control project at the end of Tee Street. This work included modifications to the end of the roadway and the installation of a sediment trap.

Palm Boulevard/ McEwen Project: The geotechnical and survey work has been completed and the design and permitting of the new system is underway. We have also performed some selective clearing of the drainage easement that goes into the head of Pine Lake from McEwen Drive. This project is identified in our Facilities Plan and will be done using city force account labor.

NFWF Projects: We have had two meetings with National Fish & Wildlife Representatives. On July 23 we held a kick-off meeting with two representatives from NFWF to discuss the three upcoming projects. Other attendees at the meeting included city staff, Dr. McCartney, Lee Lewis & Tonia Nation from AVCON along with Lee Smith from Baskerville Donovan. It was a very informative meeting however there were some questions that required additional clarification. Today Lee Lewis, Amy and I met with Mr. Porthouse from NFWF as a follow up. Today's meeting was very productive in regards to the Headwaters Restoration and Thomas Branch. It is our hope to complete the project scope and task revisions by next week and have an approved funding agreement by the end of the month.

31st Street & Bayshore Vault: We have signed the NFWF Funding Agreement and sent it back to NFWF for final approval. Once that agreement is finalized we can incur cost and Baskerville Donovan will begin the design modifications that include relocating the vault to the property we acquired from the church in the land exchange along with some other minor modifications. We will also be looking at the possibility of determining what capacity upgrades would be needed for the vault and trunk line along Bayshore Drive that would enable us to re-direct additional flow into this new treatment system. Presently the stormwater from the outfall located at the entrance to the Grand Oaks Subdivision discharges untreated stormwater directly into Boggy Bayou. If the pipes and vault on Bayshore can be upsized enough to accommodate that additional flow without exceeding the budget limits for that project this would enable us to come back at a later time and install a pipe along Bayshore Drive from Grand Oaks that would intercept that flow and redirect it into the vault system.

Palm Boulevard Pipe Replacement: The pipe has been delivered and plans are underway to replace the 220 LF 36 inch outfall pipe located on the city easement adjacent to the Troppines Nursery. This outfall pipe discharges all the stormwater from Palm Boulevard between 21st Street and Valparaiso Boulevard along with runoff from surrounding subdivisions. Approximately 220 lf of deteriorated metal pipe will be removed and replaced with poly pipe.

Cape Lane: We made a point repair to a drainage pipe on Cape Lane at the intersection of Everglades.

CRS Annual Report: We are preparing our annual CRS report as required.

Stormwater Capital Improvements Plan: We are working to complete the list of projects for the stormwater capital improvements Plan: This Plan will identify all of the capital projects city wide including those listed in our Stormwater Facilities Plan. Details of the plan will include a

brief project narrative, alternative solutions along with updated price estimates for each project site.

Other City Wide Projects

Turkey Creek: We have been working with the State Forestry Department at the newly acquired Ruckel Parcel and they have completed the selective clearing of the uplands perimeter and the walking trails system outside the wetlands limits. Additional selective clearing will be performed in the wetlands portion by the city and the inmate crews. City staff has also been working to finalize the overall concept plan for each of the newly acquired sites which include the Ruckel Parcel, the Neal site and the 8.62 acre property south of Niceville Avenue. We have started some of the selective clearing of the Neal site and today we received authorization from FDEP to begin selective vegetation removal from the 8 acre site. The permit to extend the existing boardwalk approximately 400 feet the North Turkey Creek Park has been re-submitted. Once the FDEP & the Army Corp of Engineers permits are approved we will start that installation.

Roadway Striping & Signage: Crews are continuing with the roadway centerline striping and upgrades to our street signage.

Twin Oaks: Crews are also replacing the perimeter fencing around the south, east and north sides of the athletic fields at Twin Oaks.

Tree Trimming: City crews have been very busy trimming trees along several right of ways and green belts.

Planning and Development:

Residential Building Permits Issued

Magnolia Woods Phase II-A: 7

Shirks Cove: 5

Parkview Place: 4

Misc. City wide Single Homes: 15

Edgewater Drive: We are working with a developer on a proposed 23 development off Edgewater Drive. This project is in the county but the city will be providing water and sewer service to this subdivision.

Commercial:

Huff Commercial: Site work is underway for this project located at the intersection of College Boulevard & SR 285.

Panera Bread: Some site work is underway for this project located on an outparcel in front of Publix.

CEFCO at SR 85 & College Blvd.: We have seen a proposed site plan lay out for a CEFCO Store at the intersection of College Blvd and SR 85. They are in the process of obtaining driveway permits from FDOT & the county. We have not had a formal staff review for this project.

Planning Work Shop for Article 7. Land Development Code (LDC): we have an informal workshop yesterday with city staff, our planning consultant, 2 planning board members and one local engineer to review the proposed LDC changes that will be formally submitted to the Planning Board and the Council next month. These changes will address the remaining elements of the JLUS along with proposing some additional changes to our existing codes and the new overlay districts.

Turkey Creek Bridge Road Hazzard: I have been in contact with FDOT & Transfield Services regarding the hump in the roadway at Turkey Creek Bridge. According to them C. W. Roberts has been contracted to make the repairs and we will be notified when that has be scheduled.

Regional Sewer System – Update

Councilman Rominger provided a brief update of ongoing projects.

Library, Community Center, Children's Park – Update

Sheila Bishop stated that the library, community center and Children's Park are all very busy and doing very well. She stated the Children's Park is dealing with the extreme heat. They have had to close the park when lightning and heavy rain events occur. Ms Bishop passed out statistical data regarding programs and events, etc. Councilman Nodjomian stated that Jason Nodjomian, the new Chairman of the Youth Council will give a report later tonight. One of the items they want to bring back is the tutoring project. He asked if the Library can still provide space for this project. Ms Bishop stated they will happy to assist. Discussion followed.

Police Dept - Update

Chief Popwell stated that during the month of July the Police Department responded to 2676 calls for police assistance. There were a total of 32 traffic crash reports written involving 61 vehicles. The estimated amount of damage to these vehicles and related property was $150,350. A total of 252 Traffic Citations were issued, 35 Misdemeanor, 24 Felony and 0 DUI Arrests were made.

Fire Dept. – Update

Asst Chief Tony Lorman stated that during the month of July the Fire Department responded to a total of 149 calls, there were 147 calls located within the city limits with 2 mutual aid calls. He stated the fire at Tisa's Restaurant was fought for about 9 hours by us and several others neighboring departments. We were overwhelmed by the support from the community to provide water and Gatorade to crews on scene. Also, we want to thank public works and the police department for their assistance as well. On duty fire crews have attended several public relation events with the fire engine at church/school summer programs and for Gulf Power at the Mullet Festival site. He stated we have coordinated with Niceville High School to put on a 9/11 ceremony during the Friday night football game. He stated that we continue to monitor construction in the City and crews are consistently updating/changing businesses and emergency contacts.

Technology – Update

Chad Morris briefed the status of ongoing projects.

INVOCATION:

Attorney Powell stated that Resolution 13-10-01, para 6, 6.1 covers our order of business which includes the invocation. His recommendation was for the City Council to make reasonable efforts to allow individuals with a diversity of viewpoints and other religious beliefs to be allowed to offer an opening invocation following the City's long standing sectarian prayer at the beginning of the City Council Meetings. The purpose of this motion was to comply with the spirit of recent Supreme Court decision without discriminating against non-believers or other religious minorities. Councilman Nodjomian moved approval. Councilman Rominger seconded. Council Vote: Council Vote: Nodjomian-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER - UPDATE

Mr Corbin stated that the Code Enforcement Officer responded to 37 visits/requests involving code related issues. There were 22 reports of home abandonment issues. There were 33 trips involving dumpster overloads/overspills. In addition, he always makes sure that we have our street signs updated as required. He has been very busy and is doing a great job for us.

HEALTH INSURANCE - UPDATE

Mr Corbin stated that as you know our health insurance expense is the most costly part of our budget. We have experienced moderate rate changes over recent years. In fact, it was reduced 5% last year, however, we have had a number of employee claims this year that has a had a big impact on our premiums nearing $1.5M. Those costs could go up if we continue with our current plan coverage. We have surveyed neighboring cities and by far we have the best health benefit to our employees especially our dependent coverage. All cities fund less especially for dependent care coverage. Mr Corbin stated he is willing to meet with each council member individually prior to our budget workshop scheduled for next week to get everyone up to speed on where we stand. Councilman Nodjomian asked for statistical data prior to our budget workshop and asked our insurance carrier attend to bring us up-to-date. Discussion followed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Bills Payable:

Councilman Henkel moved approval. Councilwoman Boudreaux seconded. No one spoke for or against. Council Vote: Nodjomian-yes; Boudreaux-yes; Henkel-yes; Schaetzle-yes; Rominger-yes. Motion passed

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK