

TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 2, 1993

Mayor Laginess called the Town Council Meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

SILENT PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Laginess  
Councilwoman Balsley  
Councilman Broxson  
Councilman Gage  
Councilman Kendrick  
Councilman Skelly

Also Present: Attorney McInnis            Manager Borchik            Eli Skelly  
Secretary Kelley            Engineer King            L. Larson  
D. Summerlin

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. Minutes - January 5, 1993 - Councilwoman Balsley made a motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 1993, seconded by Councilman Kendrick. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Financial Report - January 1993 - Councilman Gage made a motion to accept the Financial Report for January 1993, seconded by Councilman Broxson. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Audit FYE 1992 - Mrs. Cummins, Creel, Bryan & Gallagher, was not present. Councilman Skelly made a motion to approve the Audit for the fiscal year ending 1992, seconded by Councilman Kendrick. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Lucile Street Easement - Mr. Lowell Larson, Southern Ventures Corporation, presented a proposal to vacate a portion of the right-of-way on Lucile Street. Following a short discussion on the reason for the request and the proposed construction on the lots along the bayou, Councilman Kendrick made a motion to deny the request, seconded by Councilman Skelly. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Nature's Garden - RELEAF Project - Mr. Dave Summerlin, Nature's Garden, was present representing Mrs. Jenny Peterman, Chairman of the Okaloosa RELEAF. Mrs. Peterman is requesting permission for the use of one or two banners per month to advertise the tree sales for this project. The Council advised Mr. Summerlin that Mrs. Peterman should apply to the Planning and Zoning Board for a variance to the sign ordinance. A Planning and Zoning Board meeting will be scheduled for March 2, 1993 at 5:45 PM.

6. Code Enforcement Board Nominations - There were no nominations at this time.

Mayor Laginess called on Councilman Gage to address an item that was not on the agenda. Councilman Gage asked the Council to consider adoption of a resolution in support of legislation which would amend the Florida Sunshine Law and permit private consultation between elected officials and their attorneys. This legislation is supported by the Florida League of Cities, the Panhandle League of Cities and the Okaloosa County League of Cities. Councilman Skelly made a motion to adopt Okaloosa County League of Cities Resolution 93-1, seconded by Councilman Broxson. Attorney McInnis suggested changing the word "elevated" to "elected". Councilman Skelly amended his motion to include changing the word "elevated" to "elected", seconded by Councilman Broxson. The motion carried unanimously.

At this time, Mayor Laginess addressed the letter from Okaloosa Coordinated Transportation requesting the Town provide a letter supporting a grant for the acquisition of three modified wheel chair equipped vehicles to be used for the transportation of elderly and handicapped in Okaloosa County. Councilman Skelly made a motion that the Mayor be directed to issue a letter in support of the grant for Okaloosa Transportation, seconded by Councilwoman Balsley. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### COUNCILMEMBERS REPORTS/COMMENTS

Councilman Skelly

a. Advised the Council that a resolution is needed to pursue the 1993 SBA Tree Planting Grant program. Councilman Skelly made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to prepare and submit the application for the 1993 SBA Tree Planting Grant Program, seconded by Councilman Gage. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Expressed concern that the lot on Opp Boulevard owned by Mrs M. Sunday has been cleared without proper permits. Town Manager Borchik confirmed that the lot had been cleared and when discovered, the trees had been cut but not removed. The contractor was allowed to remove the trees that had been cut but to discontinue all other activities. Mr Sunday was contacted and stated that he was not aware that all development permits had to be approved prior to commencing any construction activity. At this point, the options available to the Council are fines and replant in accordance with the Landscape ordinance and/or additional charge for the development permit. Mr McInnis suggested that the Town Manager gather evidence to determine the number and type of trees removed to enable the Council to determine the amount of any fine and to table this matter until development application and building plans are submitted to the Town Council.

c. Noted that a parking lot on Irwin Avenue for use by Fred Astaire's Dance Studio was prepared without a permit. Manager Borchik advised the Council that Mr. Triliegi has until March 1 submit a development application to resolve this problem or the driveway will be closed and the matter turned over to the Code Enforcement Board for their action.

Councilman Kendrick

a. Inquired about the cost of repairs for the sidewalks on Hughes Avenue. The Town Manager advised that estimates for repair of the sidewalk and other would be presented later during this meeting.

b. Updated the Council on activities for the Governmental Services Committee.

c. Expressed concern over the rising incidence of spray paint graffiti in Cinco Bayou and the local area. The Town Manager agreed that this was becoming a problem and that AMSEC would be requested to keep a special watch for such activity.

Councilwoman Balsley

a. Noted that new street name signs had been put up throughout the Town.

b. Expressed concern over the poor condition of the house owned by Mr. Etheredge at 201 Troy Street and asked if anything could be done. The Town Manager agreed to contact the Health Department and other agencies concerned to resolve this matter.

PUBLIC REQUESTS WILL BE HEARD AT THIS TIME - There were no public requests.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Administrative Committee - No Report.
2. Finance & Budget Committee - No Report.
3. Comprehensive Plan Committee - No Report.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter, Ft. Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce - No action.
2. Letter, Okaloosa County - Comprehensive Plan Committee- No action.
3. Letter, Al Swihart - City of Niceville - No action.
4. Letter, Okaloosa Coordinated Transportation - Discussed after item # 6, regular business.
5. Report, PAWS Activity - No action.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT -

1. A Budget Summary for the 1st quarter of FYE 93 has been prepared and it appears that a budget revision will be necessary in the expenditure area due to personnel changes, the Frances Park project, and some additional work that needs to be done throughout the Town. It appears that the revision will not exceed the total amount of the budget that was originally planned.

2. The Christmas decorations have been taken down and examined. Most of the "round" decorations have been damaged and cannot be refurbished and three Christmas trees and two candles are destroyed beyond repair. This which leaves us with 35-40 usable decorations.

3. A proposal has been received from Rodgers Contracting to repair the storm sewer and replace a manhole cover on Hughes Avenue at a cost of \$1,775.00. A second proposal was received from Rodgers Contracting, Inc. to remove the blacktop from the Kelly Avenue right-of-way adjacent to the Wickes Lumber property, fill and level the areas where trees are to be planted and dig the storm water retention area for the Cercle Nautique parking area on Yacht Club Drive at a cost of \$3,365.00.

Councilman Gage made a motion to accept the proposal for the repair of the storm sewer and replacement of the manhole on Hughes Avenue, seconded by Councilman Skelly. The motion carried unanimously. Councilman Gage made a motion to accept the proposal for the removal of the blacktop, preparation of the right-of-ways, and digging the retention pond at Cercle Nautique on Yacht Club Drive in the amount of \$3,365.00, seconded by Councilman Broxson. The motion carried unanimously. (Councilman Skelly abstained from voting declaring a conflict of interest as he is a property owner at Cercle Nautique. Form 8-B filed with these minutes.)

4. Power poles and service lines on Opp Boulevard have been relocated in preparation for tree planting.

5. The proof for the Town map has been received, reviewed and returned to the publisher. The map and Town directory should be published sometime in March.

6. Several "street people" have been observed throughout the Town in recent weeks. Following a brief discussion, the Town Manager was directed to contact AMSEC and make them aware of the problem.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS - Mayor Laginess reminded everyone of the Town picnic on Tuesday, February 16, 1993.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:27 PM.

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Town Manager/Clerk

NOTE: A mechanical recording has been made of the foregoing proceedings, of which these minutes are a part, and is on file in the office of the Town Manager/Clerk.

**IF YOU MAKE NO ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION EXCEPT BY DISCUSSION AT THE MEETING:**

- You should disclose orally the nature of your conflict in the measure before participating.
- You should complete the form and file it within 15 days after the vote occurs with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

**DISCLOSURE OF LOCAL OFFICER'S INTEREST**

I, *John Shelby*, hereby disclose that on 2.2, 1993:

(a) A measure came or will come before my agency which (check one)

inured to my special private gain; or

inured to the special gain of \_\_\_\_\_, by whom I am retained.

(b) The measure before my agency and the nature of my interest in the measure is as follows: *a bid*

*on a retaining pond in the right of way  
for Cercle Nautique in which I am  
a Co-owner*

2.2.93

Date Filed

*John Shelby*  
Signature

**NOTICE: UNDER PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTES §112.317 (1985), A FAILURE TO MAKE ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE CONSTITUTES GROUNDS FOR AND MAY BE PUNISHED BY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING: IMPEACHMENT, REMOVAL OR SUSPENSION FROM OFFICE OR EMPLOYMENT, DEMOTION, REDUCTION IN SALARY, REPRIMAND, OR A CIVIL PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.**

# FORM 8B MEMORANDUM OF VOTING CONFLICT FOR COUNTY, MUNICIPAL, AND OTHER LOCAL PUBLIC OFFICERS

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME <i>SKELLY JOSEPH P.</i>		NAME OF BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE <i>CINCO Bayou Area Council</i>	
MAILING ADDRESS <i>24 Spout Club #9</i>		THE BOARD, COUNCIL, COMMISSION, AUTHORITY, OR COMMITTEE ON WHICH I SERVE IS A UNIT OF: <input checked="" type="radio"/> CITY <input type="radio"/> COUNTY <input type="radio"/> OTHER LOCAL AGENCY	
CITY <i>FWD, FL</i>	COUNTY <i>32548</i>	NAME OF POLITICAL SUBDIVISION: <i>Town Council</i>	
DATE ON WHICH VOTE OCCURRED		MY POSITION IS: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ELECTIVE <input type="checkbox"/> APPOINTIVE	

## WHO MUST FILE FORM 8B

This form is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected board, council, commission, authority, or committee. It applies equally to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes. The requirements of this law are mandatory; although the use of this particular form is not required by law, you are encouraged to use it in making the disclosure required by law.

Your responsibilities under the law when faced with a measure in which you have a conflict of interest will vary greatly depending on whether you hold an elective or appointive position. For this reason, please pay close attention to the instructions on this form before completing the reverse side and filing the form.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 112.3143, FLORIDA STATUTES

### ELECTED OFFICERS:

A person holding elective county, municipal, or other local public office **MUST ABSTAIN** from voting on a measure which inures to his special private gain. Each local officer also is prohibited from knowingly voting on a measure which inures to the special gain of a principal (other than a government agency) by whom he is retained.

In either case, you should disclose the conflict:

**PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN** by publicly stating to the assembly the nature of your interest in the measure on which you are abstaining from voting; *and*

**WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER THE VOTE OCCURS** by completing and filing this form with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who should incorporate the form in the minutes.

### APPOINTED OFFICERS:

A person holding appointive county, municipal, or other local public office **MUST ABSTAIN** from voting on a measure which inures to his special private gain. Each local officer also is prohibited from knowingly voting on a measure which inures to the special gain of a principal (other than a government agency) by whom he is retained.

A person holding an appointive local office otherwise may participate in a matter in which he has a conflict of interest, but must disclose the nature of the conflict before making any attempt to influence the decision by oral or written communication, whether made by the officer or at his direction.

**IF YOU INTEND TO MAKE ANY ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE DECISION PRIOR TO THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE WILL BE TAKEN:**

- You should complete and file this form (before making any attempt to influence the decision) with the person responsible for recording the minutes of the meeting, who will incorporate the form in the minutes.
- A copy of the form should be provided immediately to the other members of the agency.
- The form should be read publicly at the meeting prior to consideration of the matter in which you have a conflict of interest.

# Southern Ventures

C O R P O R A T I O N



817 PINEDALE RD.  
FT. WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA 32548  
904-863-3242



December 10, 1992

Town of Cinco Bayou  
Albert S. Borchik, Jr.  
Town Manager Clerk  
10 Yacht Club Drive  
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

Dear Sir:

As you are aware I am currently planning the construction of seven new homes on Lucille Street. The property currently is owned by First Federal Savings Bank, which will retain ownership of the two lots (number 1 & 2) on the street.

As a part of the planning process, I have recently had a survey completed on the property, a copy of which is attached.

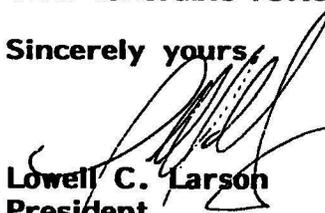
A more indepth site plan reflecting the proposed construction will be forwarded to you in the near future. Prior to completing that plan, I wish to propose the vacating of a portion of the right of way along the north property line adjacent to Lucille Street. A description of that area is reflected on the survey.

My primary concern over the marketing of this property is the over-flow created by the public boat ramp. Your granting of this request will allow the future homeowners to exercise greater control over that area. This request is made jointly by the owners and myself which is reflected by the signatures below.

To provide for future access to the existing utilities and easement would be given on the same parcel on which this request is made.

Your favorable review and action is most appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lowell C. Larson  
President  
and Agent for Larson & Whitworth General Partnership

  
Herb Tinsley  
President First Federal Savings Bank  
Owner Lots 1 & 2

  
Bill Sullivan  
Owner Lots 10 & 11

**BUILDER  
REALTOR**



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: ( PORTION OF LUCILE STREET RIGHT OF WAY TO BE VACATED AND PROPOSED UTILITY EASEMENT.)

BEGIN AT THE PERMANENT REFERENCE MONUMENT AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 1, BLOCK 4, CINCO BAYOU, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 27A, OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING BEING ALSO THE INTERSECTION OF THE WEST RIGHT OF WAY OF SEA WAY ( 80 FT. RIGHT OF WAY) AND THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY OF LUCILE STREET (80 FT. RIGHT OF WAY); THENCE S-00°00'00"-W ALONG THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE AFORESAID WEST RIGHT OF WAY OF SEA WAY A DISTANCE OF 10.47 FEET; THENCE S- 87°10'12" -W A DISTANCE OF 535.00 FEET; THENCE N- 23°08'33"-W A DISTANCE OF 40.11 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 11 OF THE AFORESAID BLOCK 4; THENCE N-90°00'00"-E ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF LUCILE STREET AND ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF BLOCK 4 A DISTANCE OF 550.11 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

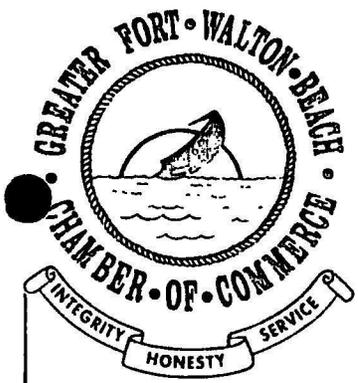
CONTAINS 12,940 SQUARE FEET OR 0.30 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

ALL LYING IN SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 2 SOUTH, RANGE 24 WEST, OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA.

BEARINGS BASED ON ASSUMED BEARING OF N-90°00'00"-E ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY OF LUCILE STREET.

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January 20, 1993

The Hon. Charles Laginess  
MAYOR OF CINCO BAYOU  
P. O. Box 931  
Fort Walton Beach, FL. 32549

Dear Mayor Laginess:

One of the more active committees of the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce is our Local Issues Committee.

As the name implies, this committee gets involved with everything that takes place in local government in our immediate area.

At the present time a representative of the City of Fort Walton Beach attends this monthly meeting and we have a committee member that attends the County Commission meetings.

To keep our committee fully informed of what is going on in Cinco Bayou, we invite you to attend and/or appoint a representative to attend our committee meetings.

The committee meets on the third Friday of each month at 8:15 a.m. at the Chamber office.

Please let me know who will represent your municipality at future committee meetings.

Sincerely,

Roger E. Peters  
Executive Director

REP:cam





# Board of County Commissioners

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State of Florida

January 27, 1993

TO:                   LEN MITCHELL                   Fort Walton Beach  
                      SHIRLEY D. SIMMONS            Laurel Hill  
                      CORNELIA TAYLOR               Mary Esther  
                      LANNIE CORBIN                   Niceville  
                      JEAN WILKINSON                Shalimar  
                      SAM FIELDS                     Valparaiso  
                      JANE MOORE                     Destin  
                      ALBERT BORCHIK, JR.         Cinco Bayou  
                      D.E. MORRISON                 Crestview  
                      BERNADETTE COVER            Okaloosa County Schools  
                      ROBERT J. ARNOLD            Eglin Air Force Base  
                      COMMANDER                    Hurlburt Air Force Base

FROM:                D. COLLIER HOUSTON, Director *Collier*  
                      Okaloosa County Planning & Inspection

The Board of County Commissioners of Okaloosa County approved reestablishment of the Okaloosa County Comprehensive Plan Committee (OKCCPC) at their regular meeting on January 19, 1993.

The Committee is named in each of the local government's comprehensive plans which supports establishment of the Committee. The OKCCPC will consist of a staff member from the County, each of the nine municipalities, The Okaloosa County School Board and a representative from Eglin Air Force Base and Hurlburt Air Force Base.

An organizational meeting will be held March 24th at 2:00 p.m. at the new County building located on Lewis Turner Blvd. We are requesting that you appoint a staff member along with an alternate to the Committee. We are asking that everyone prepare comments and suggestions for the meeting regarding the types of interlocal agreements, duties and responsibilities that the Committee should address.

We look forward to working with you.

DCH:bs  
c Board of County Commissioners  
  John Dowd, County Attorney

Courthouse  
101 E. James Lee Blvd. Crestview, Florida 32536  
(904) 689-5000 FAX: 689-5818

Courthouse Annex  
1250 N. Eglin Pkwy. Shalimar, Florida 32579  
(904) 651-7100 FAX: 651-7142

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**Panhandle Animal Welfare Society  
Animal Statistics  
October 1, 1992 - thru December 31, 1992 (3 months)**

**Incoming Animals**

Dogs and Cats . . . . .	1535
Other: snakes, alligators, raccoons, foxes, other wildlife . . . . .	43

**Disposition**

Adopted Dogs and Cats . . . . .	236
Adopted Other . . . . .	1
Returned to Owner . . . . .	151
Euthanized . . . . .	1187
Died • Liberated • Escaped • DOA . . . . .	3
<b>Total Animals for 12 Months</b>	<b>1578</b>

**Animal Control**

Service Calls by Humane Officers . . . . .	998
Emergency Calls After 5 PM . . . . .	126
Warnings Issued . . . . .	86
Citations Issued . . . . .	74
Animal Licenses . . . . .	0
Kennel / Pet Store Inspections . . . . .	2
Bite Cases . . . . .	31
F.S. 767.12 "Dangerous Dog" Designations . . . . .	0
F.S. 828.12 Felony Animal Abuse Investigations . . . . .	0
F.S. 828.12 Cruelty Investigations . . . . .	14
F.S. 828.13 Neglect / Abandonment Investigations . . . . .	39

**Animal Counts - 10/1 thru 12/31/92**

Okaloosa County	929
Cinco Bayou	6
Crestview	12
Destin	99
Eglin/Hurlburt	117
Fort Walton Beach	208
Mary Esther	81
Niceville	44
Santa Rosa County	30
Shalimar	4
Valparaiso	22
Walton County	26

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# OKALOOSA COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION

Ruth R. Lovejoy  
Executive Director

January 27, 1993

Mayor Charles Laginess & City Councilmen  
Town Hall  
10 Yatch Club Drive  
Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548

Dear Mayor Laginess,

Okaloosa County Coordinated Transportation is applying to Florida Department of Transportation for a capital grant under Section 16(b)(2) of the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, for the purchase of three modified wheel chair equipped vehicles to be used for the transportation of elderly and handicapped in Okaloosa County.

With these additional vehicles we will be expanding transportation services and service area.

As part of the grant application packet, we must include letters of support from local governmental bodies.

We seek, and would appreciate, a letter in support of our efforts and the acquisition of these three specialized vehicles.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth R. Lovejoy  
Executive Director

RRL:pej

Linda Peaden  
Project Manager

207 Hospital Drive  
Fort Walton Beach, Florida 32548  
Tel: (904) 833-9168 Suncom: 674-9173

Emily Owens  
Operations Manager

Telephone  
(904) 729-4000



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208 N. Partin Dr.  
Niceville, Florida 32578

"HOME OF THE BOGGY BAYOU MULLET FESTIVAL"

January 28, 1993

To: City Clerks, All Municipalities in Okaloosa County  
From: Al Swihart, Councilperson, Niceville  
Subject: Letter to All Mayors and Council/Commission Members

The enclosed letter is designed for each Mayor, Councilperson and Commissioner of your City.

Please make copies and forward to each of them.

Thank you for your kind consideration and assistance.

Telephone  
(904) 729-4000



208 N. Partin Dr.  
Niceville, Florida 32578

"HOME OF THE BOGGY BAYOU MULLET FESTIVAL"

January 28, 1993

To: All Elected Municipal Officials

From: Councilman Al Swihart

Subject: Institute for Elected Municipal Officials

I just returned from attending the Institute which was conducted at the Chipola College in Marianna, January 22 - 24, 1993 and will pass some comments on to you.

As a person who has been an elected official approximately 10 years, I soon learned that there were a lot of things I should know and didn't.

I also thought I knew some things that I learned were wrong.

One thing I learned was to not assume that you know and understand the Ethics and Sunshine Laws. I thought I did, but now I know different.

Those suckers could cause you to loose sleep, dignity and money. And I'm not joking nor am I using this as a scare tactic. These are just the facts.

The Institute told me and 33 other folks from across the Panhandle and as far south as Brookville and Kissimmee about the "Structure and Functions of Municipal Governments in Florida", "Taxes and other Sources of Revenue", and "Budgeting and Accounting".

At that point, you think you know all there is to know about being a Mayor, Commissioner or Councilperson. Then they hit you with a session entitled "How to be an Effective Councilmember". That's when the ego comes out of your physical system and the reality hits on how to do your job and keep the world, your City and yourself happy. This is where our engine runs on Dale Carnegie oil and if many of us checked the dip stick we would find that we are running about a quart low.

Then comes the REAL test of how much we know about Municipal Government. It is a session on, and I emphasize, ETHICS AND CONFLICT: UNDERSTANDING GOVERNMENT IN THE SUNSHINE.

I'll guarantee there are a whole bunch of pitfalls here.

The new Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual is 250 pages of law and 228 pages of index. And that's boiled down into a small yellow pamphlet of 27 pages which you may have seen. The new 1993 version is now available.

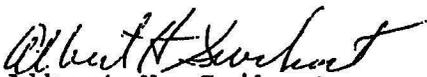
Much of which I have said here is tongue-in-cheek, but has real meaning.

I thoroughly enjoyed the Institute and gained tremendously from it. I not only recommend it but encourage you to attend, especially if you are a newly elected official. Much of the information came from the questions asked and the exchange of thoughts and experiences of those in attendance.

I also call your attention to pages 4 and 5 of the January issue of Quality Cities magazine which features the Institute and the thoughts of many persons who attended earlier Institutes.

I hope this information will give you an insight of the Institute. Again, I recommend it to the utmost. If you need further information give me a call at 729-4074. I'll be happy to talk with you.

Sincerely,

  
Albert H. Swihart  
Councilperson

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RESOLUTION NO. 93-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, SUPPORTING A COOPERATIVE EFFORT OF GOVERNMENT ENTITIES STATE-WIDE TO AMEND THE FLORIDA SUNSHINE LAW TO PERMIT CONFIDENTIAL AND PRIVATE MEETINGS BETWEEN ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THEIR LEGAL ADVISORS; DIRECTING THE SECRETARY/TREASURER OF THE OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES TO FORWARD THE RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIALS AND THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, municipal entities state-wide through sponsorship of legislation by local delegations have introduced and approved legislative changes to the Florida Sunshine Law to permit confidential and privilege meetings between government entities and their attorneys which was vetoed by Governor Martinez; and,

WHEREAS, the Okaloosa County League of Cities fully supports any and all efforts underway by state-wide municipalities and their local delegations to reintroduce legislative efforts to amend the Florida Sunshine Law; and

WHEREAS, the Okaloosa County League of Cities believes that a proposed amendment would provide a more efficient and cost effective manner of communication between elected officials and their legal advisors with no corresponding detriment to the public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES THAT:

SECTION 1: The Okaloosa County League of Cities strongly urges the Legislative Delegation from Northwest Florida and their colleagues in the Florida Legislature to adopt an amendment to the Florida Sunshine Law which would permit consultations between elevated officials and their attorneys of record in a privileged and confidential setting free from the requirements of public disclosure.

SECTION 2: The Secretary/Treasurer of the Okaloosa League of Cities is directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Northwest Florida Legislative Delegation and the Florida League of Cities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES  
ON THIS 21st DAY OF January, 1993.



Secretary/Treasurer Bob Lloyd



President Bill Lamb