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Town of Cinco Bayou, Fl  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
February 8, 1996

1. Mayor Laginess called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. this date. Following silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the flag, roll call was taken.

2. Present: Eugene E. Broxson  
Jim Kendrick  
Carolynn Leach  
Joseph Skelly  
Mayor Charles Laginess

Absent: Rene Chamberlain

Also present: Manager Elvin C. Bell, Secretary Faye Payne, Legal Counsel Jeff McInnis, and Engineer Spence King.

3. Consent Calendar:

Councilman Skelly asked for the Financial report be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Councilwoman Leach asked for the Minutes be pulled from the Consent Calendar.

Councilman Broxson moved to approve Resolution 1996-02, seconded by Councilman Kendrick. The motion carried unanimously. Following Councilwoman Leach's comments on the Consent Calendar and the wording of the Minutes pertaining to the three minute rule for individual presentations and the five minute rule for group presentations, the Mayor reiterated his policy of leniency and discretion in enforcing the rules. With a motion from Councilman Kendrick, seconded by Councilman Broxson, the Council voted unanimously to approve the Minutes of the January 11, 1996, meeting as amended to show the Mayor will use leniency and discretion regarding the enforcement of the three and five minute rule. Financial report for January 1996. Councilman Skelly moved to table the financial report until the March Council meeting. On a second by Councilwoman Leach, the motion was approved unanimously.

4. Reports and comments from Councilmembers:

Councilman Kendrick expressed concern over the decision making process used by the Mayor in deciding not to run for re-election. Councilman Kendrick said he was not pleased with the way he found out about the Mayor's decision; through the newspaper. Councilman Kendrick also inquired about the bench that has appeared on the concrete slab by Laguna Park. Manager Bell

informed the Councilman that a call has been placed to the broker who is representing the property owner, but he has not returned the call. The Manager explained that he would take care of the problem.

Councilman Skelly said he, too, was not happy with the way he found out that there was a new Mayor, that he has never met the new Mayor or anyone who knows him.

On a motion by Councilman Skelly, seconded by Councilman Kendrick, the format of future agendas shall be changed as follows: (1) The Town Manager's report will be followed by reports from Councilmembers; (2) The Mayor's announcements will follow reports from Councilmembers; and, (3) The Consent Calendar will be discontinued. The motion was approved unanimously.

Councilwoman Leach moved to have a sign-in sheet so persons attending Council meetings may sign their names in the register and have their names included in the Council packet. The motion was seconded by Councilman Skelly. After a lengthy discussion, the motion carried by a vote of 3 to 1 with Councilman Kendrick opposed.

#### **Councilwoman Chamberlain arrived.**

Councilwoman Leach asked about the new Compass Bank sign and said it appeared larger than it was in the past. Councilwoman Chamberlain explained that the dimension of the sign in relation to the size of the building was in conformance to the sign ordinance.

Councilman Kendrick commented on the lowering of the dais wall around the Mayor's desk and thanked the Manager for having the job accomplished.

#### **5. Public Requests and Comments:**

Mr. Bill Frey asked if his comments could be deferred until after the Town Manager's Report. The Mayor concurred with the request.

6. The Fiscal 1995 audit report was presented by Kevin D. Bower, an Accountant with Creel, Bryan & Gallagher.

On a motion by Councilman Kendrick, seconded by Councilman Broxson, the audit report was approved unanimously.

Mayor Laginess explained that he wanted to read a letter from Mrs. Laura Monroe, a resident of Cinco Bayou. He read the letter in which Mrs. Monroe expressed her appreciation to Manager Bell for getting things done in a timely manner at the least possible cost. She said the letter was long over due.

#### 7. Manager's Report:

A. Comprehensive Plan. The Evaluation Approval Report (EAR) Plan for the Town of Cinco Bayou now has a due date of 2002 per new State Legislation. Cost \$9,000.

Manager Bell gave a brief overview of this plan and stated that he would start adding a reserve supplement to each budget and hopefully have the necessary funds set aside by the targeted year.

B. Designate April 13, 1996, as the date for Cinco Civic Pride Day.

After a brief Council discussion, Councilman Broxson moved, seconded by Councilman Skelly, to approve April 13, 1996, as Cinco Civic Pride Day, as recommended by the Manager. Motion approved unanimously.

C. Status Report on Bayou Signage.

Manager Bell presented a copy of his letter to Mr. Steven E. Mixson, County Public Works Engineer, regarding the proposed boating restricted areas east and west of Cinco Bayou Bridge abutting the Town of Cinco Bayou. Manager Bell also mentioned a newspaper article which reported the Okaloosa County Board of Commissioners had approved scheduling public hearings, as requested by the Town Council.

D. Report on Security contract:

The Manager informed the Council that the security contract with American Security was still in place on a month to month basis with the same services and rate of compensation of \$1,350.00 per month. Manager Bell said he would have a report on competitive bids and/or other alternatives at the next Council meeting.

E. Progress Report on Storm Shutters:

Informed Council that this was a dead issue, per FEMA's current policy.

#### F. Drainage Problems: Opal Damage Report

Manager Bell thanked Councilman Kendrick for bringing to the Manager's attention the damage done to Yacht Club Drive as a result of Hurricane Opal. Through Councilman Kendrick's initiative, the deadline for filing a report with FEMA was met. FEMA had approved the cost for cleaning the flume, and had preliminarily approved the costs to repair the drainage systems on Yacht Club Drive and Opp Boulevard.

#### G. Storm Damage Estimate from County Property Appraiser:

The Manager informed the Council he has a call in to the property appraiser to find out how the Appraiser obtained the amount of \$38,652.00 for storm damage to Cinco Bayou.

#### H. Preliminary Report on Triangle at Troy, Opp and Garnett

Manager Bell submitted that one option would be to close Opp Boulevard in front of Serigraphia and redirect traffic onto Troy to prevent further damage to the triangle. He asked the Council to consider that option, and any others Councilmembers may think of, and the item would be discussed again at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Frye spoke briefly about the newspaper article that reported County hearings on the proposed boating restricted areas.

#### 8. Mayor's Announcements:

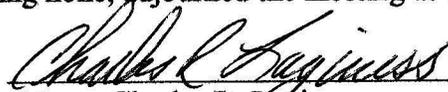
Mayor Laginess announced that this was his last meeting as Mayor of Cinco Bayou and said his decision not to seek re-election was not an easy one. Mayor Laginess thanked the Council and all the good people of Cinco Bayou who supported him for the many years he served as Mayor. He asked that every one support the new Mayor, Town Council and staff so that we might stay on the road of continuous improvement.

#### 9. Adjourn

The Mayor called for any further business, and, hearing none, adjourned the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

Attest:

  
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 Elvin C. Bell Town Manager/Clerk

  
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 Mayor Charles R. Laginess



## **TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU**

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### RESOLUTION 1996-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, On October 4, 1995, Hurricane Opal caused wide-spread damage and property loss to businesses and residents in the Town of Cinco Bayou, Okaloosa County, Florida, and

WHEREAS, Residents of the Town of Cinco Bayou, while attempting to evacuate north, were gridlocked on Egin Parkway for four hours while traveling from the Town of Cinco Bayou to the City of Shalimar, some three miles away; while those attempting to evacuate west were gridlocked for six hours while traveling from the Town of Cinco Bayou on Beal Parkway to the Mary Easter turn-off, some three miles away, and

WHEREAS, The Okaloosa County Emergency Center issued an evacuation notice on October 3, 1995, however, Opal's forward speed increased and the predicted time of arrival was much earlier than expected, thus many of our Town's residents were not aware of the severity of the situation, and

WHEREAS, Town residents who spent twenty four (24) hours or more in their cars while attempting to evacuate can attest to the need for more information on radio stations that broadcast evacuation instructions; the essentiality for posting radio frequencies on signs along evacuation routes; the necessity for better coordination between State, County and Local law enforcement agencies in directing traffic on evacuation routes; the urgency to at least triple evacuation efficiency through restriping and construction; and the requirement for greater utilization of existing roads, and

WHEREAS, The Town of Cinco Bayou encourages the Okaloosa County Board of Commissioners to continue its leadership role in attempting to secure a more reasonable and effective evacuation procedure for all County residents and visitors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Town Council of the Town of Cinco Bayou expresses its desire for continued strong and effective measures to reduce the risk of life and hardship to our residents while they evacuate from disasters such as Hurricane Opal,

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Federal, State and Local agencies are urged to increase their efforts to inform the public and provide more meaningful information during future emergencies.

Adopted this 8th day of February 1996.

Approved:

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Mayor

Attest:

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Town Manager

7-B

January 29, 1996

TO: MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS  
SUBJECT: CINCO CIVIC PRIDE DAY  
FROM: Elvin C. Bell

I understand our Town has conducted Spring Clean-Up projects in the past and they have proven to be helpful. I propose to the Council that we schedule another clean-up day, but this time we handle it somewhat differently than in the past.

The proposed slogan is CINCO CIVIC PRIDE DAY. However, any other name the Council wants to use is fine with me. I propose the primary date for clean-up to be Saturday, April 13, 1996, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. If it rains, our contingency plan would move to the following Saturday, April 20th, at the same time.

Here is how I view the preliminary plan:

1. A mailing is sent to each resident/property owner in Cinco Bayou. The mailer explains the date and time for the clean-up program.
2. Media coverage is solicited.
3. Large roll-off commercial bins will be strategically placed at four different locations around the Town.
4. Block Captains will be appointed on each street to provide hands-on leadership. The Block Captains will also supervise items that are dumped into the commercial bins. For example, no hazardous substance or chemical wastes will be allowed.
5. Special tags will be issued for placement on debris/bags.
6. Any normal residential yard/household debris is accepted for disposal. If anyone wants to get rid of a washer, dryer, refrigerator, sofa, old car, etc., Cinco Civic Pride Day is the time to do it. Special arrangements will be made to haul off autos.
7. Box lunches/beverages will be provided no-host for all who participate.

8. At 3 p.m., disposal trucks will patrol the Town to pick-up all debris placed beside the street, and haul off the commercial bins.

9. A critique will be conducted to identify positive/negative aspects and recommend areas for improvement/change for next year.

10. Awards will be presented at the following Council meeting to residents who, through their efforts, demonstrated positive actions and involvement toward residential/business improvement and neighborhood cleanliness. Block Captains will determine award winners who will be acknowledged by the Mayor and Town Council.



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7-C

January 18, 1996

Mr. Steven E. Mixson, P.E.  
Public Works Engineer  
Okaloosa County  
101 East James Lee Blvd  
Crestview, FL 32536

Re: PROPOSED BOATING RESTRICTED AREAS EAST AND WEST OF BRIDGE IN  
BAYOU ABUTTING TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU

Dear Mr. Mixson:

I appreciate your kind assistance during our meetings and discussions regarding proposed signage in the bayou.

The Town Council has approved my recommendation to request the County Board of Commissioners conduct hearings regarding the proposed signage. The signage issue not only includes the proposed area west of the bridge, as we previously discussed, but also covers an area in the bayou east of the bridge.

The attached map has the two proposed areas designated by line drawings and proposed piling sites. Also attached is my report on the subject and the Council's Resolution.

Please keep me informed as this issue makes its way through County staff, the citizen participation process and Board of Commissioners.

Again, I appreciate your assistance and the maps you provided.

Very truly yours,

Elvin C. Bell  
Town Manager

Atchs.

# Local/State

Daily News

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1996

## Officials breeze through meeting

■ A light agenda helped keep business brief.

By MIKE FUHRMAN  
Daily News Staff Writer

Okaloosa County Commissioners discussed everything from sea turtles and no-wake zones to airport advertising during a short meeting Tuesday night.

Commissioners zipped through a light agenda, stopping only briefly for short discussions with staff members.

Then, in near record speed, they voted unanimously:

Please see BREEZE/5B

## BREEZE

From 1B

■ To schedule a public hearing on a request to establish a no wake zone in the Cobbs Bayou section of Cinco Bayou.

Waterfront residents, complaining of an eroding coastline and boater safety, have asked for a county ordinance prohibiting boat wakes in the small bayou.



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7-D

January 16, 1996

Mr. Mose Staley  
American Security  
AMSEC, Inc  
P. O. Box 1357  
Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

Re: Continuation of Security Contract

Dear Mr. Staley:

This letter will serve to confirm our telephone conversation this date regarding your agreement to continue providing security service to the Town of Cinco Bayou.

You agree to continue such service on a month-to-month basis at the same rate of compensation until further written notice. There shall be no interruption in your service.

Future notice may request a mutually convenient date and time certain for us to meet and discuss a new contract.

Very truly yours,

Elvin C. Bell



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7-F

February 1, 1996

Ms. Lisa Steckler  
Department of Community Affairs  
Disaster Field Office  
7157 West Highway 98  
Panama City, FL 32407

Re: HURRICANE OPAL DAMAGE TO TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, FL

Dear Ms. Steckler:

You have been very patient and helpful to me this week, as always, as I have kept you informed via telephone calls of newly discovered Hurricane Opal damage to our Town.

To recap, one of our Town Councilmembers, Mr. Jim Kendrick, an architect, informed me a couple days ago about the damage to the storm drainage system and sagging roadway along Yacht Club Drive. The damage became noticeable to him during his morning walks.

During our telephone conversations, I informed you of the following points:

1. I inspected the drainage site on Yacht Club Drive and the drainage system on Opp Boulevard which feeds into the Yacht Club Drive drainage system. My inspections convinced me that serious damage was present at both sites; damage caused by Hurricane Opal.

2. With the help of Councilman Kendrick, I was able to secure the services of Mr. Jim Barton, a Civil Engineer with the firm of Gustin, Cothorn & Tucker; 121 Hart Street, Niceville, FL 32578. Mr. Barton is a former City Engineer for one of our larger cities here in Okaloosa County and knows Cinco Bayou quite well. He is doing an Engineer's Estimate on the Opp Boulevard drainage system and will have a preliminary cost estimate for you next week.

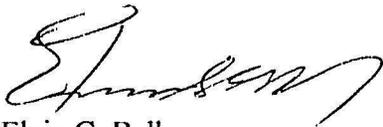
3. Mr. David Heinrich, Director, Department of Public Works, Okaloosa County, is having his engineers develop an Engineer's Estimate for the repair work on the drainage system on Yacht Club Drive, and the flume that runs some 175 yards from Yacht Club Drive into the bayou.

4. A debris removal company has been retained and will start work in the next few days to remove fallen trees, limbs and other storm related debris from the flume and the pending construction work site.

Ms. Steckler, I shall have all these costs, and descriptions for each cost, to you prior to the March 1, 1996, deadline. I will also inform you, depending on construction timeframes and contractor payment arrangements, if the Town needs the twenty-five (25) percent advance payment, as we discussed.

The professional and courteous manner you so ably communicate during our conversations is deeply appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elvin C. Bell', written in a cursive style.

Elvin C. Bell  
Town Manager

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1-25-96

**Pete Smith**  
Okaloosa County Property Appraiser



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Ft Walton Beach, FL 32548  
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OFFICE OF  
**OKALOOSA COUNTY**  
**PROPERTY APPRAISER**

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**Memorandum**

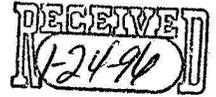
**DATE:** January 23, 1996  
**TO:** Okaloosa County Tax Districts  
**FROM:** Pete Smith, Okaloosa County Property Appraiser  
**RE:** Storm Damage Estimates

Attached are current damage estimates, itemized per taxing district, as of January 1, 1996. With few exceptions, these figures should be pretty accurate. The major exceptions would be in the Destin-Holiday Isle area. We are currently awaiting "cost to cure" letters from several large condominium associations before we can complete our work. Should we lose all the value associated with those structures, the affected tax districts could experience an additional \$15,000,000 in losses. As soon as we receive the letters, I will send you our final estimates.

ALMARANT FIRE DISTRICT	25,564
CINCO BAYOU	38,652
OKALOOSA COUNTY	207,057,455
CRESTVIEW	1,992,764
DESTIN	115,655,144
DESTIN FIRE DISTRICT	70,178,687
EAST NICEVILLE FIRE	288,455
FT. WALTON BEACH	4,176,489
LAKE PIPPIN CHANNEL	0
LAUREL HILL	0
LAKE PIPPIN ROAD	0
MARY ESTHER	1,706,119
MATHIS LANE	0
NICEVILLE	595,165
NORTHWEST FIRE DISTRICT	207,057,455
OKALOOSA SCHOOLS	207,057,455
SYLVANIA FIRE DISTRICT	0
SHALIMAR	1,568,845
SOUTHWEST FIRE	4,028,549
VALPARAISO	623,507
WRIGHT FIRE DISTRICT	5,322,579
OKALOOSA FIRE DISTRICT	73,125,853
HOLIDAY ISLE(DESTIN FIRE)	44,109,818
NORTH OKALOOSA FIRE	673,502
NORTH BAY FIRE	213,655
BAKER FIRE	22,212
HOLT FIRE	0
MERCAS FIRE	5,443
PARKS	80,524,449



# The Joint Commission on the American Promenade in Israel



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To Council

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January 10, 1996

Mayor Charles R. Laginess  
10 Yacht Club Drive  
Ft Walton Beach, FL 32548-443

Dear Mayor Laginess:

The American Promenade is a national park in Israel honoring the United States and, in particular, the State of Florida. It is located on the main highway between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and will feature a special monument dedicated to the State of Florida. The Florida obelisk will be a permanent symbol of the bond of friendship between the people of Israel and the State of Florida.

## HONORARY MEMBERS

The Hon. Newt Gingrich  
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The Hon. Robert W. Kasten, Jr.  
Former U.S. Senator  
Mrs. Henry (Scoop) Jackson  
State of Washington  
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Since pre-statehood days, Jews have lived in Florida and have made great contributions to the State. The city of Fort Myers is named after Colonel Abraham C. Myers, who fought for Florida between 1836 and 1842, helping pave the way to Florida's statehood in 1845. The first organized Jewish community was formed in Jacksonville in the early 1850's. Jews continue to make great contributions to the State of Florida. In recognition of Florida's friendship to the Jewish community and friendship to the State of Israel, Daniel D. Cantor of Tamarac, has contributed \$350,000 to sponsor the Florida monument and participation in the American Promenade. He has received the title of Founding Father for the State of Florida in the American Promenade by the Knesset in Israel and the U.S. Senate. His other contributions to Florida are too long to mention in this letter.

The monument in Israel will be an expression of gratitude symbolizing Jewish commitment to the State of Florida and its friendship to the new State of Israel.

There will be a stainless steel time capsule with a glass-lined interior buried 25 feet below the Florida monument. The capsule will have approximately one cubic meter of storage space with the capacity to hold approximately 100 items. It will be filled with nitrogen to prevent decomposition of its contents. The time capsule will be opened in the year 2048 at Israel's 100th anniversary celebration in a historic ceremony.

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THE FOUNDING FATHER OF THE  
AMERICAN PROMENADE



# The Joint Commission on the American Promenade in Israel



Mayor Charles R. Laginess  
January 10, 1996  
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We would be very grateful if you could make a contribution to this historic and meaningful project. You can donate anything, including personal correspondence, which you feel would be of interest to future generations of Americans and Israelis. Your item(s) in the Florida time vault will illustrate the great friendship and alliance between the State of Florida and the State of Israel.

Please send your contribution(s) to:

Mr. Daniel D. Cantor  
8411 Lagos De Campo Blvd.  
Tamarac, FL 33321

All contributions will be forwarded to Israel where they will be carefully reviewed and catalogued in our archives. The Commission's time capsule engineer will prepare each item individually so that it will be properly preserved. You will be receiving a letter of appreciation from the Joint Commission and updates on the capsule and the American Promenade.

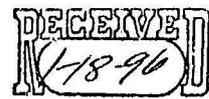
It is our heartfelt wish that the Florida monument will be a source of pride to all citizens of Florida and the United States who will visit Israel in the years to come and that your contribution to the Florida time capsule will be of historic importance to the future.

Sincerely yours,

Eliot J. Sherman  
Project Director



**Patricia M. Hollarn**  
Okaloosa County Supervisor of Elections



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January 16, 1996

TO: Chuck Bell  
Cinco Bayou Town Hall

FROM: Pat Hollarn  
Supervisor of Elections

RE: 1996 Election Schedule

*Informational Items  
To Council*

Thank you for allowing us to use your facility as a polling place for Precinct # 28. You are contributing a great service to the voters of Okaloosa County and it is very much appreciated. We value the good working relationship with all of you and want to maintain this through communication and assistance whenever needed.

Following is the 1996 election schedule; please mark the dates on your calendar and **notify us as soon as possible if you have a conflict with any of the dates.** All of the scheduled election days are on **Tuesday.**

- March 12 Presidential Preference Primary  
Cinco Bayou, Destin & Mary Esther Municipal Elections
- September 3 First Primary Election
- October 1 Second Primary Election
- November 5 General Election

I shall appreciate your returning the enclosed form as soon as possible, **no later than January 31.** A return self-addressed stamped envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

If you are no longer the person to contact for this facility, please pass it on to the appropriate person. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or my Chief Deputy **Linda McEwen**, who will be your coordinator and scheduler, at one of the numbers above.