

TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 14, 2007 – 6:00 PM

Mayor Iovieno called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 14, 2007. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer, roll call was taken:

Roll Call: Mayor Iovieno
Mayor Pro Tem Koch
Councilman Bratton (absent)
Councilman Chubb
Councilman Caforio
Councilman Farley

Also present at the meeting were: Town Manager/Clerk Nell Webb, Asst. Town Manager/Clerk Monika Gillette, Attorney Jeff McInnis, Engineer Tyler Strickland, Community Officer Jim Welch.

PUBLIC HEARING

Attorney McInnis read by title the first reading of Ordinance 214: *AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, FLORIDA AMENDING ORDINANCE 189 TO ESTABLISH AN ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION OF UP TO \$50,000.00 FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE AGE OF SIXTY-FIVE AND WHOSE HOUSEHOLD INCOMES DO NOT EXCEED \$24,214.00, ADJUSTED ANNUALLY; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD TAX EXEMPTION; PROVIDING EXEMPTION LIMITATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*

There was no public input following the title reading. Councilman Koch motioned to accept the first reading of Ordinance 214. Councilman Chubb seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilman Koch yes
Councilman Chubb yes
Councilman Farley yes
Councilman Caforio yes

The motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR BUSINESS

1. **Council Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Iovieno asked for acceptance of the agenda. Councilman Koch motioned to approve the agenda. Councilman Chubb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. **Council Approval of Consent Agenda:** Mayor Iovieno asked for acceptance of the consent agenda including: minutes Regular Council Meeting of May 10, 2007, Hurricane Preparedness Workshop of May 24, 2007, Budget Workshop of May 24, 2007; Hurricane Preparedness Workshop of June 5, 2007, and Budget Status as of May 31, 2007. Councilman Koch stated she had stopped by and talked with staff earlier and had her questions answered. Councilman Chubb questioned interest earnings. Councilman Koch motioned to accept the consent agenda. Councilman Caforio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Attorney McInnis read by title Resolution 2007-01: *A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, FLORIDA, OKALOOSA COUNTY, ADOPTING THE REVISED OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, FLORIDA FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007.* Councilman Koch motioned to accept Resolution 2007-01. Councilman Farley seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilman Koch yes
Councilman Chubb yes
Councilman Farley yes
Councilman Caforio yes

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Manager Webb gave background information stating that historically the town paid for council and staff to attend League of Cities dinners and that Councilman Chubb requested that the town change its policy to again pay. Councilman Koch stated that since council members received a monthly stipend that they should be responsible for reimbursing the town. Councilman Chubb motioned to have the Town pay for staff and council members (not spouses) to attend League of Cities dinners. Councilman Caforio seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilman Koch no
Councilman Chubb yes
Councilman Farley no
Councilman Caforio yes

The motion was passed with Mayor Iovieno breaking the tie by casting a yes vote.

3. Councilman Chubb stated the repair work at Francis Park was not sufficient and that a seawall might be needed. Manager Webb stated she had talked with a representative from the Corps of Engineers who concurred that a seawall was a better choice. Attorney McInnis suggested developing a request for proposal (RFP). Engineer Strickland stated he would work with Ms. Webb to develop a scope for the project and Mr. McInnis stated he would draft the RFP. Councilman Chubb motioned to have Connelly & Wicker determine the scope of the seawall project at Francis Park and have Attorney McInnis draft an RFP. Councilman Koch seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilman Koch yes
Councilman Chubb yes
Councilman Farley yes
Councilman Caforio yes

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Councilman Chubb gave background information on the City of Fort Walton's Panhandling ordinance and recommended that Cinco Bayou and surrounding municipalities to adopt a similar one to give the ability for unilateral enforcement. Councilman Chubb motioned to direct Attorney McInnis to review the City of Fort Walton Beach's ordinance and tailor to meet Cinco Bayou's requirements. Councilman Caforio seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
5. Manager Webb stated that Councilman Farley submitted a written request to attend the Florida League

of Cities annual conference in Orlando. Councilman Koch stated she felt the approximate \$1,500 was not budgeted for and that since so much money was unexpectedly spent during this budget year it should not be funded. Councilman Farley stated that she felt the information garnered outweighed the expense. Manager Webb stated that with a line item change there was money in the budget to cover the cost. Councilman Farley motioned to appropriate the funding to attend the Florida League of Cities 2007 Annual Conference in Orlando. The motion failed due to a lack of a second. Councilman Koch recommended putting the matter in the 2007/2008 budget.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Hurricane Preparedness – Ms. Webb stated she had updated the council in her manager's report. She also stated that each councilman received a Disaster Preparation kit with procedures, phone numbers and a map. She finished by saying that 26 people had signed up for the CERT (Certified Emergency Response Team) program to be held at Town Hall.
2. CRA – Ms. Webb stated that property tax reform could have an impact on the CRA and town's budget.
3. Ms. Webb stated that the town's comprehensive plan was due to be updated and that Mr. Jack Dorman, who previously worked on the Town's comp plan, may work with both the Town and Shalimar since they were both so small. Ms. Webb stated that the council should plan on a workshop to discuss the update. Mayor Pro Tem Koch asked when the deadline for the update was. Ms. Webb stated that the deadline was not until February 2008, but that she wanted to make the council aware of the upcoming project.

Reports

1. **Town Manager's Report:** Ms. Webb submitted a written report.
2. **Engineer's Report:** Engineer Strickland stated he approved the Anchor Ice project and that he had completed a site evaluation for Gary's Fitness Center and that everything was up to specifications.
3. **Attorney's Report:** Mr. McInnis reported that the Town of Cinco Bayou would need to submit an Evaluation Appraisal Report (EAR) for Local Comprehensive Planning. After giving a brief history of the town's comprehensive planning procedure he stated that Mr. Jack Dorman who helped the town develop the original plan would be attending a workshop and submit a proposal for his services afterwards. Mr. McInnis stated that failure to submit an EAR would carry sanctions and that the deadline for the town to submit an EAR was February 2008. Mr. McInnis stated that since Mr. Dorman was the author of the original plan and is considered a sole source vendor no bids would need to be sought. A workshop was set for Wednesday, June 20 at 5 pm at Town Hall.
4. **Community Officer's Report:** Deputy Welch submitted a written report. He updated the council on the illegal dumping and parking at Bienville Square reported at the last council meeting. He also stated that the increase in alarm responses was due to a malfunctioning alarm system at a Cinco business.

Public Comments/Requests: Ed Pfiefer of 256 Kidd Street approached the council to voice his concerns with the erosion at Francis Park and the speeding of several large boats in Kidd Bayou. Deputy Welch stated that the Florida Fish and Wildlife enforced no wake zones and that they needed to be contacted. Councilman Koch reiterated that she felt part of the erosion problem was that the no wake sign was too close to shore..

Council Member's Comments/Reports:

- Councilman Chubb stated that the azaleas had died at Francis Park. Ms. Webb stated that she was aware of the problem and that the cause may be salt water intrusion in the wells and that the wells at Laguana and Francis Park were scheduled to be tested. .

Ms. Webb asked the council about the anniversary celebration recommended at an earlier council meeting. She said that Councilman Chubb had talked to her about using a "1957" theme for the celebration. She also felt that participation would be low right after the fourth of July. Mayor Iovieno said the celebration could be scheduled for any time during the year. It was the consensus of the council to set a September date and discuss the matter further at the next council meeting.

Ms. Webb asked the Council members to check their calendars to schedule upcoming budget meetings. The meetings were scheduled for July 10 and July 24, 2007 at 5 pm.

Ms. Webb asked that the employee job description topic be deleted from old business. It was the consensus of the council to do so.

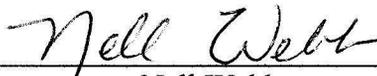
Mayor Iovieno announced upcoming closings and meeting dates.

Adjourn – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

ATTEST:



Michael Iovieno, Mayor



Nell Webb
Town Manager/Clerk

