

**TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
12 July 2001**

Mayor Drabczuk called the regular Town Council meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Following a silent prayer and the pledge of allegiance, roll call was taken.

**Present:** Mayor Drabczuk  
Councilman Bainter  
Councilman Carroll  
Councilman Farley  
Councilman Frucci  
Councilman Koch

A quorum was present. Also present were Town Manager/Clerk Nell Webb, Assistant Monika Gillette, Attorney Michelle Anchors, Engineer Ed Stanford, Community Officer Frank Hawley, Beverly Barbarisi and Sybie Hobbs of Bridgeway Center, Crestview Mayor George Whitehurst and Bob Lynn of the Okaloosa County Veterans Memorial Committee and resident Jerry Carroll.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

**1. Council Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Drabczuk asked that if there was no objection that General Business be moved ahead of Action Items to allow the guest speakers to go first. Councilman Carroll made a motion to approve the agenda with the change. Councilman Farley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Consent Agenda:** Mayor Drabczuk asked for acceptance of the consent agenda. Councilman Farley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Koch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**A.** Beverly Barbarisi and Sybie Hobbs of the Bridgeway Center went before the council to request funding from the Town's next fiscal budget. Ms. Barbarisi explained the functions of the Crisis Line and its funding sources. Councilman Frucci suggested that Mrs. Webb pass along any information of available grants to Ms. Barbarisi. Mayor Drabczuk asked Ms. Barbarisi how much funding was being requested. She stated the amount of the request was \$1,000.

**B.** Crestview Mayor George Whitehurst and Bob Lynn presented the council with background information on Okaloosa County Veterans Memorial and to ask for the council's support of the project. After the presentation, Mayor Drabczuk asked how much money the group was asking for. Mr. Lynn said that any amount would be appreciated, but did not have a dollar amount in mind. Councilman Frucci stated that his monthly per diem check for July was earmarked for Bridgeway Center, but that next month it would be sent to Okaloosa County Veterans Memorial.

- C. Jerry Carroll addressed the council to present information regarding the Choctawhatchee Basin Alliance and the condition of the bay and its tributaries. Mr. Carroll asked the Council for the council's support and requested funding from next fiscal year's budget.

#### **REGULAR BUSINESS (ACTION ITEMS)**

- A. Attorney Anchors read the second reading by title of Ordinance 187, which stated: THE TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU, FLORIDA, GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO COX COMMUNICATIONS GULF COAST L.L.C. TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE TOWN, SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF FRANCHISE, PROVIDING FOR A LINE EXTENSION FORMULA, AND PROVIDING FOR TOWN REGULATION AND USE OF THE CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM. Councilman Farley made motion to adopt Ordinance 187. Councilman Carroll seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. Mrs. Webb stated that dates needed to be set for budget workshops. July 19, 2001 at 5 pm was set as the date for a budget amendment workshop for the current budget. Next fiscal year's budget workshops were set for August 2, 2001 at 6 pm and August 20, 2001 at 5 pm. Public Hearings to adopt the 2001-2002 budget were set for September 6, 2001 (first reading) and September 13, 2001 (second reading and adoption).
- C. Mrs. Webb asked for approval on a proposal from Lancaster Development Corporation to repaint and refurbish four no wake buoys. The cost would be \$560. Councilman Frucci made a motion to approve the proposal. Councilman Koch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Mrs. Webb stated that a representative be named for the Florida League of Cities Conference in Lake Buena Vista, Florida. She suggested that Councilman Carroll be name. Councilman Farley made a motion to name Councilman Carroll as the Town's official representative at the conference. Councilman Bainter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- E. Attorney Anchors read by title Resolution 2001-08, which supports the Military Development Committee of the Economic Development Council. Councilman Bainter made a motion to approve Resolution 2001-08. Councilman Frucci seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- F. Engineer's Report: Ed Stanford updated the council on progress on the Yacht Club Ditch. He said that a temporary easement agreement was delivered to Mr. Kirsch and that there was still an open dialogue with Okaloosa County to do the initial surveying. Mr. Stanford said that a letter of apology might be required from Mr. Kirsch because of comments he made at a commission meeting. Councilman Frucci stated that although Mr. Kirsch's comments were inflammatory initially, he became amenable and conciliatory later in the meeting. Mayor Drabczuk requested that any other presentation from the engineers to Okaloosa County and the City of Fort Walton Beach would contain concrete plans and specific requests.
- G. Attorney's Report. None given.

H. **Community Officer's Report.** Deputy Hawley stated that service calls dropped again. He also said a letter had been written to the property owner behind Fred Astaire Studio regarding the condition of the property and a request to clean it up. He also said a similar letter was written to Realty House with a request for clean up behind "Almost Perfect." which had recently closed. He stated he needed a legal opinion interpreting the Town's ordinance on abandoned vehicles at local repair shops and said that the current ordinance is not clear. Councilman Farley suggested a strongly worded letter be written to have the vehicles removed without referencing a specific ordinance.

I. **Town Manager's Report.**

1. Mrs. Webb stated she needed approval to spend \$1,748 for per diem and registration fees for the Florida League of Cities annual conference. She said that Councilman Carroll and Councilman Farley had requested to attend. Councilman Koch asked if this was a budgeted item. Mrs. Webb answered it was. Councilman Carroll made a motion to approve funds for the Florida League of Cities annual conference. Councilman Farley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Mrs. Webb asked for approval to send a \$500 deposit to the Hurlburt Soundside Club for the Quarterly Okaloosa League of Cities dinner that Cinco Bayou was hosting. Councilman Carroll made a motion to approve the \$500 deposit. Councilman Farley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Mrs. Webb stated she, Councilman Frucci and Councilman Carroll met with Rose Austin of CRS and discussed possible reduced flood insurance rates for residents.
4. Mrs. Webb announced that the Town was awarded both \$50,000 FRDAP grants that were applied for. She said that a special presentation would be conducted on September 20, 2001 at the next quarterly Okaloosa League of Cities dinner.
5. Mrs. Webb stated that new pilings and decorative rope was installed at Francis Park.
6. Mrs. Webb stated that the plaque naming the council chambers to honor former Councilman Jim Kendrick was finished and had been picked up. She asked the council for a date for a ceremony to present the plaque. After a short discussion, it was thought that the Thanksgiving town picnic was a good time since there was usually a good turnout. Mrs. Webb was asked to try to coordinate with Mrs. Kendrick to see if Mr. Kendrick can attend.
7. Mrs. Webb updated the council on the Communication Service Tax workshop she attended and submitted her calendar with meeting dates.

J. **Public Requests/Comments:** None given.

K. **Council Member's Comments/Reports:**

Councilman Koch asked if a letter had been sent to Mrs. McDonald at Cinco Baptist Church. Mrs. Webb said she had talked with her. Councilman Koch asked if minutes could be sent earlier in order to have more time to review them.

Councilman Farley asked if the grant application for the Vision Committee had been sent in. Mrs. Webb reminded him that he was to finish it.

Councilman Frucci asked for a clarification on the election fees that the Town paid. He also asked if the Town charged the county for using the space.

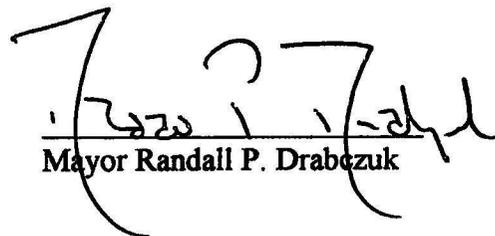
Councilman Carroll updated the council on the one-cent sales tax issue saying that the County Commission had agreed to the referendum. She thanked resident Rod Degranges for his efforts on behalf of the Town. Councilman Carroll invited all council members to the Okaloosa League of Cities executive board meeting on August 2 at noon and the quarterly dinner meeting on September 20. Councilman Carroll asked if Mrs. Webb had heard anything from Cinco Baptist Church after the council approved having them paint house numbers. Mrs. Webb said they were notified of the approval and would follow up with them. Councilman Carroll stated that Larkin Street was not an official street although there was a street sign and felt that the owners may ask to have the driveway repaired. Councilman Farley asked if the sign had been approved. Councilman Frucci asked that Mrs. Webb touch base with the owner.

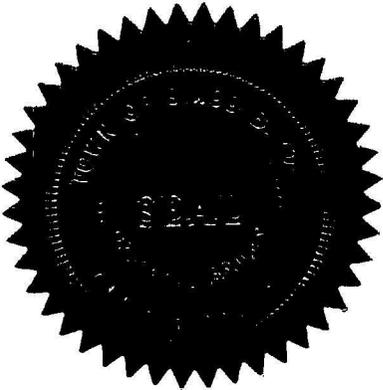
L. Mayor's Report – The Mayor announced the upcoming picnic and primary election on July 24, 2001.

M. **Adjourn** – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
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Town Manager/Clerk

  
Mayor Randall P. Drabczuk



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