

TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
July 12, 2007 – 6:00 PM

Mayor Iovieno called the Regular Council meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 12, 2007. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer, roll call was taken:

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

Also present at the meeting were: Town Manager/Clerk Nell Webb, Asst. Town Manager/Clerk Monika Gillette, Attorney Amy McBride, Community Officer Jim Welch and Jack Dorman.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Attorney McBride read by title the second 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 second reading and adopt Ordinance 214. Councilman Chubb seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Councilman Bratton yes  
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 Chubb asked that old business be added to the manager's report including street signs and wooden signs. He also asked that under discussion items fireworks/anniversary picnic and town branding be added. Councilman Koch motioned to approve the agenda with the additions. Councilman Farley 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 June 14, 2007, EAR/Comprehensive Plan Workshop of June 20, 2007, and Budget Status as of June 30, 2007. Councilman Koch motioned to accept the consent agenda. Councilman Chubb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **SPECIAL DISCUSSION**

1. Supervisor of Elections Pat Hollarn addressed the council to notify them of legislative changes regarding the presidential primary. She stated that she was only advising and discussing the matter. While she feels that a mandated January 29 primary is a mistake, her office would be able to carry out the election at whatever time the council chooses. She suggested that the municipalities adopt a vague ordinance that changes the primary only one time and not permanently. Ms. Hollarn stated that if the ordinance would need to be changed the process would need to begin in September in order to meet deadlines.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Mr. Jack Dorman approached the council and stated that a service contract was written by Mr. McInnis and himself. He also stated that he was going to Tallahassee to discuss Cinco Bayou's EAR (Evaluation and Appraisal Report) and not to schedule a workshop until after that meeting. It was the consensus of the council to have a vision meeting on Tuesday, August 7, 2007 at 5:30 pm. Mr. Dorman asked that the council review the current comprehensive plan and begin talking with residents about concerns and changes for Cinco Bayou. Councilman Chubb motioned to accept the service agreement with Jack Dorman & Associates of Destin to complete the required EAR. Councilman Caforio seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

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

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Ms. Webb stated that the town could apply for a FRDAP grant through the State of Florida in the amount of \$50,000 to offset the costs of building a seawall in Francis Park. Councilman Bratton motioned for the Town to apply for a FRDAP Grant for Francis Park updates. Councilman Chubb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Councilman Koch asked if matching funds were necessary. Ms. Webb stated that it was not a requirement.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Hurricane Preparedness – Ms. Webb stated she had updated the council in her manager's report. In addition she noted that the generator would be shipped on July 24 and the transfer switch on July 16. Also, the gas company was evaluating where the gas lines would need to be placed.
2. CRA – Ms. Webb stated that she updated the council in her manager's report. No further information was given.
3. Ms. Webb stated that the revenue portion of the budget could not be determined at this point due to legislative changes regarding property tax reform. She did warn the council that overall revenues could be \$15,000 - \$20,000 less and that the biggest changes in expenditures would be the EAR report and the Francis Park seawall if no grant is awarded.
4. Councilman Chubb suggested that the town consider fireworks for the anniversary picnic and that perhaps a partnership with Scully's be researched. Councilman Bratton suggested that costs be

researched to see if the idea is feasible. Councilman Farley suggested that perhaps a restaurant taste testing be part of the celebration. Councilman Caforio suggested perhaps an arts and crafts show also be considered. Mayor Iovieno suggested that the first determination should be that the celebration be commemorated at all. Councilman Chubb stated he would check on pricing for fireworks.

5. Councilman Chubb stated that while working with members of the Chamber of Commerce it was discussed that branding of each municipality and Fort Walton Beach be studied. He shared with the council an idea to hire a marketing firm to identify and brand Cinco Bayou and the greater Fort Walton Beach area and asked the council to consider donating to the chamber to hire the marketing company. Ms. Webb suggested he bring the matter to the Council during the upcoming budget process.

## Reports

1. **Town Manager's Report:** Ms. Webb submitted a written report. In addition she updated the council on old business not included stating that the wooden signs for the parks have been ordered and the street signs would arrive any day since the posts were just delivered. Councilman Chubb asked the latest on the Backwater Development next to town hall and asked if they had submitted a timeline for getting landscaping completed. Ms. Webb stated she had not talked with them but that they currently have silt fencing in place for erosion control.
2. **Engineer's Report:** None given.
3. **Attorney's Report:** Attorney McBride stated that a draft panhandling ordinance was completed and would be presented to the council at the August meeting. She stated she had been asked about a sexual predator/child molestation ordinance just passed by the City of Crestview and that she would research the ordinance and report her findings at the August council meeting. .
4. **Community Officer's Report:** Deputy Welch submitted a written report. He also stated that Captain's Choice Boats had purchased a commercial license for the Seaway Boat Launch. He also stated that a robbery had occurred in town at the Exprezit but that nobody was injured. Councilman Chubb questioned what the security checks were on his report. Deputy Welch stated that it could be either deputy generated or calls and that it revolved mainly around Laguna Park. .

**Public Comments/Requests:** None.

## Council Member's Comments/Reports:

- Councilman Farley stated that about 12 children lived on Opp Blvd near her and that a resident approached her regarding changes in sexual predator rules in Crestview and suggested that Cinco Bayou adopt a similar ordinance. She also stated that the parking lot at Glenwood park was no longer being locked and that residents want to have it locked again. She agreed that she and Mr. Fred Driver would lock and unlock the park. She also discussed drainage on Opp Blvd and that between 115 and 135 Opp water has a tendency to stand after a hard rain. She stated that the resident at 135 Opp has sodded the drainage ditch which has rerouted the water back onto the street. She asked that perhaps a trench be dug and the cement culvert be removed since more homes have been built in the area and the drainage is not adequate. She also stated that resident Mr. Toromino has requested that a curb could be installed at the corner of Opp Blvd and Opp Road to direct of the flow of rain runoff. Mayor Iovieno suggested that the council members drive through the area after a heavy rain to get a better idea of the problems. She finished her report by stating that foxes have been seen in the area and that residents were concerned. She approved traps be set in her yard by animal control to trap the foxes.

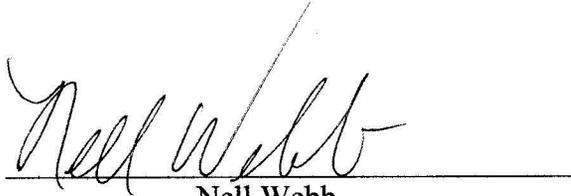
Mayor Iovieno announced upcoming meeting dates including budget meetings of July 24 and 31.

**Adjourn** – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

ATTEST:



Michael Iovieno, Mayor



Nell Webb  
Town Manager/Clerk

