TOWN OF CINCO BAYOU
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
14 OCTOBER 1999

Mayor Drabczuk called the regular Town Council meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Following a silent prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Roll call was taken.

Present: Mayor Drabczuk
Councilwoman Carroll
Councilman Williams
Councilman Kendrick
Councilman Payne

Absent: Councilman Skelly

ALSO, PRESENT: Attorney Jeff McInnis, Town Manager Turner, Assistant Nicole Wagner, Mark Shaeffer, Mr. Steve Arnold and Mr. Jim Bratton.

1. Council approval of Agenda - Councilman Payne made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Councilman Williams. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

2. Consent Agenda -
   A. Minutes, Council Meeting and Public Hearing 9 September 1999
   B. Minutes, Special Council Meeting 16 September 1999
   C. Minutes, Special Council Meeting 23 September 1999
   D. Status of Funds, September 1999

Councilman Payne asked a question regarding Status of Funds concerning Ready Bank bank card. Councilman Payne then made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Kendrick. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Action Items-
Approval /Disapproval FMIT Insurance for Law Enforcement coverage - Mr. Turner answered questions posed by Councilman Skelly at the previous meeting regarding Destin's Law Enforcement program. Mr. Turner explained that Cinco Bayou has a grant and Destin does not. Mr. Turner also answered Councilman Skelly's question regarding our part of a million dollar umbrella which costs approximately $1500.00. After some discussion, Councilman Kendrick made a motion to approve FMIT Insurance for Law Enforcement Coverage. The motion was seconded by Councilman Williams. The motion passed with a 3 to 1 vote with Councilman Payne opposing.

4.Engineer's Report - Engineer Shaeffer gave an update on the progress with the Yacht Club/Kidd Street divider. He explained that they anticipate mobilizing in the next one to two weeks.

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5. Attorney Report - No report.

6. Town Manager Report -

1.Manager Turner gave the Council a letter from the University of Florida adjusting the Town population upward by 12 people.

2.City of Destin Resolution 99-35 to defeat the introduction of offshore drilling within 100 miles of the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. Mr. Turner offered to draft such a resolution for the next meeting. Councilman Payne made a motion to approve the drafting of the resolution and Councilman Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Audit will start the following week (October 18).

4. Mr. Turner suggested that for park clean up the two cedar trees should be removed to open up the view of the bayou. After some discussion, Councilwoman Carroll made a motion to approve the suggestion and Councilman Payne seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Public Requests

1. Mr. Arnold said he would like for the Town of Cinco Bayou to become a member of the library cooperative. Mayor Drabczuk suggested that this be researched and listed as an action item at the next meeting.

2. Mr. Bratton said that people from the Church have been parking on his property and he asked if something could be done. Mayor Drabczuk said that this was one of Deputy Sink's first priorities. Mr. Turner explained that Deputy Sink is studying our codes so that he can enforce them.

8. Council-members Reports/Comments

1. Councilman Payne reported on the October 11, 1999 meeting of the Florida League of Cities. He reported that they are still working on the water computer model and the proposed one cent sales tax. He also reported on the League of Cities Dinner. He asked Mr. Turner to give him a report on the financial standing of the Town after the Okaloosa Dinner. Mr. Turner explained that Waste Management payed half of the bill. He reported on the Fairground situation regarding the non-renewal of the lease from the Forestry to the Fairground Committee. He also said that Deputy Sink would be photographing graffiti and keeping it on file in order to reduce it.

2. Councilwoman Carroll asked what the hours of duty were for the Deputy. Mr. Turner said that this was being controlled by his supervisor Michael Busbee, but we would have a schedule in admin.

3. Councilman Kendrick suggested that a Town Newsletter be put out to let people know about fall clean up and all of the positive things going on right now. Manager Turner indicated that we would publish a Special flyer to accomplish this.

9. Mayor's Comments/Announcements

Mayor Drabczuk commented on the beautification of Town Hall and the great job that was done. He also reminded everyone about the Chili Picnic on October 20, 1999.

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 P.M.

Randall P. Drabczuk, Mayor

Attest:

Charles W. Turner, Town Manager/Clerk

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RESOLUTION 99-35

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DESTIN EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO OFFSHORE OIL AND NATURAL GAS DRILLING WITHIN 100 MILES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S PANHANDLE SHORELINE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Destin supports the protection of the region's pristine, sugar white beaches that in turn support our local economy through a robust tourism trade and by enhancing the quality of life for our residents; and

WHEREAS, the entire west coast of Florida deserves protection against the potential destruction of oil and gas drilling in coastal waters; and

WHEREAS, the City of Destin believes that the Environmental Protection Agency's hypothetical scientific "minimal environmental impact" threat statements ignore the actual impacts of offshore drilling already experienced by the nearby coastal areas of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama; and

WHEREAS, offshore waters along the Panhandle contain significant ecosystems and marine wildlife, and in addition to the environmental and aesthetic values provided by these natural resources, the tourism and fishing industries supported by them along the upper west coast and Panhandle bring in millions of dollars a year in local and State revenue; and

WHEREAS, wind and water currents off the Panhandle would cause oil spills to destroy oyster harvesting, fishing industries and tourism in North Florida and even routine drilling operations have the potential to cause widespread petrochemical pollution damage to the Panhandle beaches, wetlands, sea grasses, and marine life; and

WHEREAS, catastrophic risks exist during every phase of operation from blowouts, accidents, increased tanker traffic and pipeline ruptures; and

WHEREAS, there is no buffer zone for federal waters west of Cape San Blas as there is on the remaining west coast of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. The City of Destin urges Florida's federal legislative delegation to aggressively seek a Presidential Executive Order placing a moratorium on offshore drilling in the eastern portion of the outer continental shelf of the Gulf of Mexico along Florida's Panhandle because of the sensitivity of the region's environment and economy to such operations.

Section 2. The City of Destin supports federal legislative efforts to buy back the drilling leases, and to fairly compensate leaseholders so that the legitimate interests of the people of the Panhandle in keeping the world's most beautiful beaches as a national treasure and the expectations of oil and gas extraction businesses of fair treatment by the federal government are both protected.

Section 3. Copies of this Resolution be sent to other municipalities in Okaloosa County, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the Mining and Mineral Services of the U.S. Bureau of Interior, Governor Jeb Bush, Senator Bob Graham and Senator Connie Mack and Representative Joe Scarborough.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the City Council and signature of the Mayor.

Adopted this 4th day of October 1999.

Kenneth B. Beaird, Mayor

ATTEST:

Larry Rubenstein, City Manager

Donnese Way, Interim City Clerk

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October 7, 1999

Charles W. Turner
Cinco Bayou Town Manager
10 Yacht Club Drive (Cinco Bayou)
Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32548-4436

Dear Mr. Turner:

I have revised the 1999 population estimate for Cinco Bayou to 417 people. This revision is the average of the original population estimate based on electric customer data and an estimate based on the building permit data that you provided.

Thank you for providing the missing building permit data. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Scott K. Cody

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