

**REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF LAKE PLACID GROWTH MANAGEMENT
JANUARY 2, 2007 4:00 P.M.**

Chairman Ray Royce called the January 2, 2007 meeting of the Town of Lake Placid Growth Management to order at 4:00 P.M. at Town Hall, 311 W. Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida. The Committee had previously canceled this meeting, however Chairman Royce asked the Clerk to reschedule the meeting. The meeting was properly noticed and all members notified.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Ray Royce
Hoz Compton
Carolyn Phypers
Jim Clinard
Bert Harris

Town Clerk Arlene Tuck
Town Utility Director Gary Freeman

ABSENT:

Vice Chairman Lonnie Wells

Chairman Royce stated he called the meeting to discuss with the committee whether or not they felt the committee should intervene in the upcoming discussion concerning the termination of the Lake Placid Police Department. Chairman Royce stated he felt there was three avenues the committee could follow: 1) Suggest the police department remain "as is"; 2) Suggest the police department be eliminated and the Town use the services of the Sheriff's Department; and 3) Commend the Mayor for taking a stand on this issue and ask that staff review further the police department and its budget, considering possible cuts.

After much discussion by the Committee and members of the audience, Mr. Clinard made the following motion:

1. That the Committee feels responsible taxation and police protection are both serious issues for annexation and growth management.
2. That the Committee applauds the Mayor for bringing up this issue for consideration.
3. That the Committee encourages further study into the issue of the police department.

4. That the Committee encourages the use of the existing Sheriff's Department service that we pay for.
5. That the Committee encourages the Council to consider and look into what level of service the Town needs to employ on top of the Sheriff's Department services.

Motion seconded by Mr. Compton. On roll call, Chairman Royce, Mr. Compton, Mrs. Phypers, Mr. Clinard, and Mr. Harris voted yes. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Chairman Royce reminded the Committee their next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 2007 at 4:00 P.M. at Town Hall, 311 W. Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida. He further reminded them that Progress Energy and Glades Electric will give a report.

Mr. Clinard made a motion the meeting adjourn; motion seconded by Mr. Harris. Chairman Royce hearing no objections declared the meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.