

REGULAR MEETING
TOWN OF LAKE PLACID TOWN COUNCIL
OCTOBER 10, 2005

Mayor John M. Holbrook called the regular Town Council meeting of October 10, 2005 to order at 5:30 P.M. at Town Hall, 311 W. Interlake Boulevard, Lake Placid, Florida. A quorum was present. Rev. Richard Norris, of the Trinity Lutheran Church gave the invocation and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor John Holbrook
Council Member Debra Worley
Council Member Charles Wilson
Council Member Bill Brantley

Town Clerk Arlene Tuck
Town Attorney Bert Harris
Town Utility Director Gary Freeman
Town Public Works Director Jim Fulton
Town Police Chief Phil Williams
Town Zoning Director Jim LaRue

ABSENT:

Council Member Jim Waller

PRESENTATION:

This being Jim LaRue's last official Council meeting, a reception from 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. was held at Town Hall for him. Many attended and enjoyed refreshments with Mr. LaRue.

Mayor Holbrook read a very fitting Resolution in honor of Mr. LaRue. Council Member Wilson made a motion the Resolution be adopted; motion seconded by Council Member Worley and Council Member Brantley. Mayor Holbrook also presented Mr. LaRue with a gift from the Town.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Approval of Monthly Reports and Payment of Bills
- B. Approval of Minutes

- C. Mutual Aid Agreement for Water/Wastewater – between Town of Lake Placid and other Utilities.

Council Member Wilson made a motion the Consent Agenda be approved as presented; motion seconded by Council Member Worley. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Ordinance 05-480 – Annexation of Lake Sirena Estates – Council Member Brantley made a motion Ordinance 05-480 be tabled until the Comprehensive Plan Amendment is received from Department of Community Affairs; motion seconded by Council Member Wilson. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.
- B. Ordinance No. 05-481 – Annexation of Hinton Property – Council Member Wilson made a motion Ordinance No. 05-481 be tabled until the Town Attorney can redraw the Ordinance including additional properties which have asked to be included; motion seconded by Council Member Worley. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.
- C. Ordinance No. 05-482 – Recovery of Costs of Administrative Review & Processing – (1st hearing) – Council Member Wilson made a motion Ordinance No. 05-482 be approved on first hearing by reading of title only; motion seconded by Council Member Worley. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT HEADS/MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- A. Zoning Director:
 - 1. Ezone – Louise England – presented Council with a Resolution and Interlocal Agreement designating enterprise zones for the Town. Council Member Worley made a motion the Resolution and Interlocal Agreement be approved as presented; motion seconded by Council Member Wilson. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.
 - 2. Brownfield Discussion – Louise England – informed the Council about the Brownfield program. Mrs. England also presented a Resolution and Interlocal Agreement for the Brownfield Program. She did inform the Council they had to advertise the Resolution and Interlocal Agreement. Council Member Worley made a motion the Town Clerk advertise the Resolution and Interlocal Agreement to be heard at a special meeting on Monday, October 25, 2005; motion seconded by Council Member Wilson. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.
 - 3. Town Planner Discussion – Council Member Worley – stated she had contacted the City of Avon Park and they use the Central Florida Regional Planning Group. She stated she thought this might be another solution. It

was suggested that the Central Florida Regional Planning Group reviews Comp Plans and they did not know if it would be a conflict for them to be planning the Comp Plan for us and reviewing it.

The Town Clerk informed the Council she had received a letter from an individual in Lake Placid who is certified as a planner and is looking for part-time work. Council asked that the Mayor check to see what the County is doing about the suggested Town Planner and discuss with different ones about the planning position.

B. Town Attorney:

1. Clifford Rhoads – Big Box Ordinance – Atty. Harris stated Mr. Rhoads had asked for this matter to be removed until a later date.

C. Police Chief:

1. Salary revisions – Chief Williams stated he had a vacancy on the police force, which he had budgeted for. He stated the salaries for the police officers are low and not comparable with the City of Sebring, City of Avon Park and County. He stated he would like to forgo a position and use the money from that position to increase the salary of his officers. He presented a plan showing increases of 10% to 25%. Council Member Worley made a motion Chief Williams eliminate the position now open and reallocate the funds to the other officers; motion seconded by Council Member Brantley. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.

D. Utility Director: No comments

E. Public Works Director:

1. Noon Rotary Club – Rotary Park – Paul Elliott and Margaret Morris, members of the Lake Placid Noon Rotary Club were present. Mr. Elliott stated the Club has noticed a lot of vandalism at the Rotary Park; i.e. killing fish, throwing rocks into the pond, removing plants. He asked for help from the Town in patrolling the area. Chief Williams stated he had checked into a camera that could be located in different locations where vandalism is occurring. He stated he did not put it into his budget this year, because he could not afford it. Mr. Elliott stated he would be glad to bring it up to the Noon Rotary Club and ask for donations. Council Member Worley stated she would bring it up at the Morning Rotary Club and maybe they could get enough funds to purchase the camera. They will keep the Council informed.

2. Cemetery Well – Mr. Fulton informed the Council the well at the cemetery had to be removed. He stated he would be putting it out for bids this week.

F. Town Clerk:

1. Chamber of Commerce – Mrs. Tuck stated the Chamber had approached her inquiring whether or not the Town would be interested in purchasing a bench (which the Chamber is selling to raise money to pay off their mortgage on their building) in memory of former Mayor Dal Hall. Mrs. Tuck stated she would request approval to purchase a bench and have it placed under the tree in front of the Town Hall, which was dedicated to Mayor Hall. Council Member Worley made a motion the Town purchase one bench in memory of former Mayor Dal Hall; motion seconded by Council Member Brantley. On roll call, motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Brantley made a motion the meeting adjourn; motion seconded by Council Member Worley. Mayor Holbrook, hearing no objections, declared the meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.