

MINUTES
TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA
TOWN COMMISSION MEETING
 February 19, 2003
 Town Commission Chambers, 535 Park Avenue

The Town Commission for the Town of Lake Park, Florida met in regular session on Wednesday February 19, 2003 at 7:30 PM. Present were Mayor Castro, Vice Mayor Balius, Commissioners Longtin, Otterson and Garretson, Town Manager Jason Nunemaker, Town Attorney Thomas Baird and Town Clerk Carol Simpkins..

Commissioner Paul Garretson the invocation and Vice Mayor Chuck Balius led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Sara Lockhart Interim Community Development Director requested the continuation of the public hearing for a resolutions for Parcel 34.03C-TBH Land Trust and Parcel 34.03D-Congress Avenue Properties to the March 5, 2003 Commission meeting.

MOTION: A motion to approve the agenda as amended was made by Commissioner Bill Otterson and seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balius

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

PRESENTATIONS

Deputy of the year, Brian Brown

Motion: Commissioner Jeanine Longtin made a motion to approve a proclamation for Brian Brown Palm Beach Sheriff's Office Deputy of the Year. Motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balias.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the Proclamation and presented it. Deputy Brown thanked everyone especially his coworkers for their cooperation.

Vice Mayor Chuck Balias stated that Deputy Brown had also been a very good Lake Park Police Officer.

Proclamation for Bea Kelsey Atkins

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balias made a motion to approve a proclamation for Bea Kelsey Atkins. Motion seconded by Commissioner Paul Garretson.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the Proclamation and presented it.

Proclamation for Robert H. Schaier

Motion: Commissioner Jeanine Longtin made a motion to approve the proclamation for Robert H. Schaier. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bill Otterson.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the Proclamation commending Mr. Schaier for his actions as he observed a potentially hazardous fire deliberately set and prevented it. Mr. Schaier thanked Carolyn Miguel and Jimmy Skrandel.

Proclamation for James Skrandel

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balias made a motion to approve a proclamation for James Skrandel. Motion seconded by Commissioner Jeanine Longtin.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the Proclamation commending Mr. Skrandel for his actions as he observed a potentially hazardous fire deliberately set and prevented it. Mr. Skrandel thanked everyone.

Proclamation for Habitat for Humanity

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balias made a motion to present Habitat for Humanity with a proclamation recognizing their assistance in establishing affordable housing in Lake Park. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Bill Otterson.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the proclamation and presented it to Carolyn Yeager who thanked the college students who helped.

Proclamation for the Solid Waste Authority

Motion: Commissioner Paul Garretson made a motion to present a proclamation to the Solid Waste Authority commending them for developing a program to benefit the needy citizens of Lake Park and Palm Beach County as a whole. Commissioner Bill Otterson seconded the motion.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Mayor Castro read the proclamation and presented it to Joan Eagan.

Lake Park Historical Society

William Serrano, president of the Lake Park Historical Society presented the Town of Lake Park with a Certificate of Appreciation to the Commission and Staff for the assistance given for the Lake Park Historical Society Holiday Tour.

Red Cross Youth Resource Fair

Adrian Haywood, youth representative for the Red Cross, gave a presentation to the Commission on the proposed Resource Fair. He requested that the Town provide the following: Town Hall Parking lot from 7 am to 5 pm the day of the event, the Town Hall and Community Building restroom be available for use, that there be access to electricity, that Agency Resource vehicles have reserved parking on Park Avenue, publicity of the event in community literature, signs/banner be placed in Lake Park to publicize the event, uniformed Sheriff Deputies and marked vehicles be assigned to provide security, and garbage receptacle be provided.

Motion: Commissioner Paul Garretson made a motion to approve the request with the exception that Park Avenue not be used for any parking and they gave the Town Manager Jason Nunemaker the latitude to work with the Red Cross in planning the event. Motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balius.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

Lt. Joe Berkery, Six month review of the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office activities for Lake Park.

Lt. Berkery gave a Power Point presentation. Please see exhibit "A".

Commissioner Jeanine Longtin said that after Lt. Berkery's last presentation quite a lot of residents contacted her and told her that they appreciated the report. She thanked Lt. Berkery for the presentation.

Mayor Castro stated that He felt that there is a very strong patrolling presence in the Town now and a good mix of deputies providing services. The weak link is communications. Commissioner Jeanine Longtin agreed.

Latisha Myrick, Evergreen Drive expressed concern over the speeding off of 6th and 7th Street.

Commissioner Jeanine Longtin stated that the lighting on the streets need to be addressed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was no public comment at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2003

MOTION: A motion to approve the Minutes of February 5, 2003 as was made by Vice Mayor Chuck Balius and seconded by Commissioner Bill Otterson .

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

ORDINANCES SECOND READING

ORDINANCE NO. 02-2003

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003 AS PREVIOUSLY ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 25-2002; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balius made a motion to adopt Ordinance 02-2003 on second reading. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Paul Garretson.

Public hearing opened.

No speakers.

Public hearing closed.

Vote on motion to adopt Ordinance No. 02-2003

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 4 to 1 motion passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 03-2003

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, AN ELECTRIC FRANCHISE, IMPOSING PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS RELATING THERETO, PROVIDING FOR MONTHLY PAYMENTS TO THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balius made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 03-2003 on second reading. Motion seconded by Commissioner Paul Garretson.

Mike Arciola, Finance Director, explained that the rate on first reading was 6% but it has been changed to 5.9% for the second reading.

Public Hearing Opened

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner	X		

Otterson			
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2003

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, RENEWING A NON-EXCLUSIVE GAS FRANCHISE WITHIN THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK FOR THE FLORIDA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMPANY, PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS RELATING THERETO; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Motion: Commissioner Paul Garretson made a motion to adopt Ordinance No.04 - 2003 on second reading. Seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balias.

Public Hearing Opened

No speakers

Public Hearing Closed.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balias	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 04-02-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK,
REQUESTING ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION
DISTRICT=S 2003/2004 WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**MOTION: Vice Mayor Chuck Balius made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 04-02-03.
The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jeanine Longtin.**

Commissioner Jeanine Longtin asked Town Manager Jason Nunemaker how the current construction cost were arrived at. Mr. Nunemaker explained that they were based on previous cost records on the north wall from three years ago. It was also balanced out with what Murphy Construction has done by Paul Carlisle, Public Works Director. He also explained that the Condominium owners would be given a chance to participate in the contract for repair to their seawall.

Commissioner Paul Garretson stated that he wants to make it very clear that if no grants are obtained then no marina funds would go to the wall repair. The Commission agreed.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 5 to 0, motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

BOARD POSITION

- (a) Jim Knox Application for appointment from Alternate Tree Broad Member to Regular Member.

(b) Cristina Catusus, Application for reappointment to the Merit Board

(c) Leonard Turnquist, Application for reappointment to the Merit Board

All positions were appointed by the Commission.

BUS

The Commission requested that the Town Clerk contact all of the Commissioners to set up a date for the bus trip.

Marina Pro Forma

Mark Bolchoz and Rob Sims from Applied Technology & Management (ATM) gave a power point presentation of the Lake Park Marina. See exhibit "B".

Mayor Castro suggested that the administrative fee be placed into a special account for the first few years. Commissioner Jeanine Longtin agreed that it was a good idea.

Vice Mayor Chuck Balius does not want the taxpayers to have to cover the administrative oversight cost of the marina.

Commissioner Jeanine Longtin disagrees with the estimated cost of the fueling system. She does not believe that the due diligence has been done and the cost will be between \$800,000 to 1,000,000 not \$180,000.

Mr. Bolchoz explained that he had talked to Florida Petroleum and Fuel Components to arrive at the cost.

Commissioner Bill Otterson stated that he had driven around with Paul Carlisle and looked at various marinas and he feels that the estimate is an appropriate one.

Vice Mayor Chuck Balius stated that he would like to see suggestions for a marina flag.

Commissioner Paul Garretson stated that he would like to see a marina store and a restaurant for all to enjoy whether they have a boat or not.

The Commission stated that they would like Mr. Carlisle to get estimates from professionals who put in fuel systems.

The following persons addressed the Commission: Diane Munroe who stated that she is not against the price increases but she would like more boat ramps for the citizens to use. Jim Knox stated that there is a waiting list for the Marina already. Ed Daly asked if it would be possible to build the dock masters office right away.

Motion: Vice Mayor Chuck Balius made a motion to receive and file the Lake Park Marina Pro Forma Analysis as is and accept the assumptions in it with the condition that fuel system estimates be brought back to the Commission. Commissioner Paul Garretson seconded the motion.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 4 to 1, motion passed.

COMMISSION / MANAGER / ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Mayor Castro

Lowe’s is still on track moving forward

Twin City Mall development is going slow.

Glad that there was no need for an election this year. He looks forward to working with the entire Commission again for the next year.

Commissioner Bill Otterson

Stated that he would like to change part of the Town Code. It was explained that the code book has to be changed by ordinance. Mr. Nunemaker explained that an ordinance for regulating planting in swales is currently being worked on.

Commissioner Bill Otterson made a motion to increase the Commissioners salary to \$8,500 a year. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balius.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson		X	
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Vice Mayor Balius		X	

Mayor Castro		X	
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Vote 4 to 1, motion failed.

Motion: Commissioner Paul Garretson made a motion to bring the salary question back to the second meeting in March. Motion seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balius.

Vote on motion

Commission Member	YES	NO	OTHER
Commissioner Garretson	X		
Commissioner Otterson	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Vice Mayor Balius	X		
Mayor Castro	X		

Vote 4 to 1 motion passed.

Vice Mayor Chuck Balius

Thanked the residents for their sign of support for the job the Commission is doing. He thanked his supporters. The Commission is doing the best it can.

Expressed concern over GO Peds and asked to have State Statutes checked

Would like a cost estimate of running the lights at night on the ball fields

Tennis Courts. They are being secured

Minimum Housing Code. Mr. Nunemaker explained that they are enforcing on street parking

Would like to see commercial vehicles and trailers off the streets

Is concerned about speeding on Date Palm, 10th Street, and US 1

Concerned over dust at marina site

Would like to borrow the money for the marina all at one time and see it completed as it is approved.

He stated some businesses are not happy with the 7 AM Flea Market

Commissioner Jeanine Longtin

Wanted to make sure that the COP volunteers have been invited to the dinner

She congratulated Commissioner Paul Garretson and Vice Mayor Chuck Balius for their uncontested run for office and thanked them for their service to the Town.

How is the Web site coming? Should be ready about April 1

Stated that the Recreation Volunteer Association's Valentine's Day Dance was amazing.

Reminded everyone that there will be a workshop with the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office on March 12 at 7:30 PM.

Library needs help

The Blood Bank needs donations

A thank you to all of the citizens who participate in the Town.

Commissioner Paul Garretson

Thanked the residents for their sign of support for the job the Commission is doing
He expressed concern over there being no newspapers in the news boxes on Park Avenue and
would like a company solicited to fill them.

Town Attorney, Thomas J. Baird, Esq.

No comment.

Town Manager Jason Nunemaker

Presented an update. See Exhibit "C".

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission and after a motion to adjourn by
Commissioner Bill Otterson, seconded by Vice Mayor Chuck Balias, and passed by unanimous
vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Mayor Paul Castro

Town Clerk Carol Simpkins

Approved on _____