

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MAY 20, 2014 – 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Triolo on the above date at 6:02 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth, Florida.

1. ROLL CALL:

Present were Mayor Pam Triolo, Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell, and Commissioners Andy Amoroso and John Szerdi. Commissioner Christopher McVoy was absent. Also present were City Manager Michael Bornstein, City Attorney Glen Torcivia, and City Clerk Pamela Lopez.

2. INVOCATION:

The invocation was offered by Reverend Joan Abell of First Presbyterian Church.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Andy Amoroso.

Commissioner Amoroso left the meeting at 6:04 PM.

4. AGENDA - Additions/Deletions/Reordering:

There were no changes made to the agenda.

5. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Acknowledge Lake Worth High School and North Grade Elementary School for receiving both an A grade rating

Mayor Triolo read a proclamation commending students, teachers, staff, and administrators at Lake Worth High School for their commitment to excellence and their "A" grade and further declaring the City's pride in Lake Worth High School.

Mayor Triolo read a proclamation commending students, teachers, staff, and administrators at North Grade Elementary for their commitment to excellence and their "A" grade and further declaring the City's pride in North Grade Elementary.

B. Update provided by Genesis Neighborhood Association

Mark Parilla, President, announced that the Genesis Neighborhood

Association was restructured into The Genesis Foundation. He provided an update on the Genesis Neighborhood Association's 2014 action items, overview, operational timeline for the 501(c)3 non-profit foundation, and looking ahead in 2015.

C. Update provided by the Historic Resources Preservation Board

Wes Blackman, Board Chairperson, provided Historic Resources Preservation Board information on the number of historic preservation districts, announced that there were three vacancies on the board, said there was an amendment made to the Certificate of Appropriateness process, and the members' upcoming six month goals.

6. COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Vice Mayor Maxwell: announced that he had participated in various district meetings with staff regarding the Lake Worth 2020 plan and encouraged everyone to attend one or more of the meetings so that the Commission and staff could solicit input from the community. He said he had conversations with several property owners who had Code Enforcement issues and they were upset because the City was now following up with violators and enforcing the codes. He commented that he was proud of the Commission and legal team for all they were doing with Code Enforcement because owners were now stepping up and taking care of their properties.

Commissioner Szerdi: said there was an announcement made last week about the Gulfstream Hotel being purchased. He commented that the new owners had been watching the City for several years and now made an investment. This purchase was a sign that investors and purchasers were reacting to the changes taking place in the City and that these reactions were taking place more often. He announced that about 50 people attended the May 19, 2014, District 4 meeting to hear about the Lake Worth 2020 plan. He said a lot of information about the plan was available on the City's website.

Mayor Triolo: announced the Haitian Flag Raising event was held on the steps of City Hall just prior to this meeting, said this was the third year the City honored Haitian Flag Day, announced that she participated in a Prayer Breakfast event several weeks ago, and invited everyone to attend the Hurricane Preparedness Seminar at the Casino Ballroom on May 21, 2014.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA:

The following individuals spoke on various issues; however, they did not write anything on their comment cards: Peter Timm, Mary Lindsey, and Mouse Oehser.

The following individual spoke on issues written on his comment card.

Michael Kase said he got a dog a year ago and Lake Worth was a dog-friendly city, but there was no designated dog area in Bryant Park; asked for a dog beach on the south side of the pier; commented that there was a need for Bryant Park Boat Ramp signage; and said the sidewalk near City Hall needed to be repaired.

Mayor Triolo read the comment card written by Philip Robert. Mr. Robert wrote [asking if] the District 3 meeting on May 21, 2014, meant that Commissioner Amoroso would rather District 3 residents not attend the Hurricane Preparedness Seminar on the same evening.

Commissioner Amoroso returned to the meeting at 6:50 PM.

The following individual spoke on various issues; however, she did not write anything on her comment card: Loretta Sharpe.

The following individual spoke on issues written on his comment card.

Brian Stone said he moved from North Federal Highway to 1st Avenue and K Street three months ago and had three bicycles stolen in three months. He asked what was being done to prevent the rampant stealing of bicycles.

Request/comment summary:

1. Vice Mayor Maxwell suggested all Frequently Asked Questions about the Lake Worth 2020 plan be added to the City's website.
2. Vice Mayor Maxwell suggested making bicycle registration mandatory as a way to prevent the rampant stealing since all bicycles had serial numbers on them.
3. Commissioner Szerdi requested staff quantify the amount of property insurance savings owners would receive if fire hydrants were installed as part of the Lake Worth 2020 plan. He suggested this information be provided during the district meetings.
4. Mayor Triolo requested an update on the status of the Chamber of Commerce building on Lake Avenue.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

There were no Approval of Minutes items on the agenda.

9. CONSENT AGENDA:

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Amoroso to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Lease agreement with Lutheran Services Florida, Inc. to operate a Head Start program at Osborne Community Center**
- B. Purchase tax deed for real property**
- C. Ratify board members to various City boards**

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell, and Commissioners Amoroso and Szerdi. NAYS: None.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. Ordinance No. 2014-17 – Second Reading and Public Hearing – amend use and occupancy and revocation of business license requirements**

City Attorney Torcivia read the following ordinance by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-17 OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 14, "BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS", SECTION 14-35, "USE AND OCCUPANCY CERTIFICATES AND INSPECTIONS REQUIRED", TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN INSPECTIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE, A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A CODIFICATION CLAUSE, AND A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Szerdi to approve Ordinance No. 2014-17 on second reading.

Mayor Triolo announced that it was time for public comment. No one from the public commented.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell, and Commissioners Amoroso and Szerdi. NAYS: None.

- B. Ordinance No. 2014-18 – Second Reading and Public Hearing – amend City recreational facilities and beach park regulations**

City Attorney Torcivia read the following ordinance by title only:

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-18 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH, FLORIDA, RENAMING, REORGANIZING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE I, TO CREATE REGULATIONS FOR CITY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL

FACILITIES; AMENDING CHAPTER 7 TO CREATE ARTICLE VI, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL BEACH AREA AND MUNICIPAL BEACH" TO CREATE REGULATIONS FOR THE MUNICIPAL BEACH AREA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Szerdi to approve Ordinance No. 2014-18 on second reading.

Mayor Triolo announced that it was time for public comment.

Peggy Fisher said she wanted to make sure the ordinance allowed service dogs at the beach, service dogs needed to be on a leash, and people might call their dogs "service" to get around the ordinance.

Barbara Jean Webber commented that service dogs had to be registered, there was a fee for registration, the service dogs were trained not to be frightening to people, and they were required to be on a leash.

Juan Ruiz, Leisure Services Director, explained that no dogs were allowed on the beach, but would be allowed on the grassy area. He said a service dog had to be on a leash.

Request/comment summary:

1. Commissioner Amoroso suggested installing signs at the beach showing what a service dog and registration looked like.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell, and Commissioners Amoroso and Szerdi. NAYS: None.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There were no Unfinished Business items on the agenda.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

There were no New Business items on the agenda.

13. LAKE WORTH ELECTRIC UTILITY:

A. CONSENT AGENDA:

There were no Lake Worth Electric Utility Consent Agenda items on the agenda.

B. PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Lake Worth Electric Utility Public Hearing items on the agenda.

C. NEW BUSINESS:

There were no Lake Worth Electric Utility New Business items on the agenda.

14. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Torcivia did not provide a report.

15. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

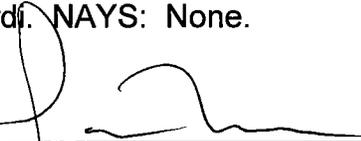
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City Manager Bornstein did not provide a report.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

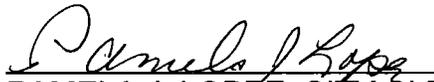
Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Szerdi to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 PM.

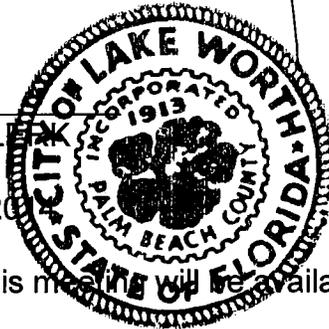
Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell, and Commissioners Amoroso and Szerdi. NAYS: None.



PAM TRIOLO, MAYOR

ATTEST:


PAMELA J. LOPEZ, CITY CLERK



Minutes Approved: June 3, 2014

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