

MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF ARCADIA  
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2011-6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:10 PM with the following members and staff present:

Arcadia City Council

Deputy Mayor Keith Keene

Councilmember Dr. Sharon Goodman

Councilmember Dr. Roosevelt Johnson

Arcadia City Staff

City Administrator Lawrence Miller

City Attorney William Galvano

Marshal Charles Lee

Captain Matt Anderson

Code Enforcement Officer Carl McQuay

Interim City Recorder Shelley Peacock

Asst. City Administrator Judi Jankosky

Deputy Mayor Keene gave the invocation and followed by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. The Deputy Mayor announced that Mayor Heine is still in the hospital and Councilmember Craven is in Texas with her Husband Chuck Craven who had surgery as well. Many prayers go out to the Council at this time.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

**1. A. AMENDMENT EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH- LEE SNYDER**

City Administrator announced Lee Snyder from the Utilities department received Employee of the month. Deputy Mayor Keene presented Lee with a plaque commemorating his designation as Employee of the Month and added that he has done a "job well done".

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. MINUTES OF THE JUNE 21, 2011 REGULAR MEETING
2. CHECK WARRANTS FROM JUNE 16, JUNE 24, JUNE 28, JULY 1, JULY 8, JULY 14, 2011
3. REQUEST FOR STREET CLOSING FOR CAR SHOWS ON AUGUST 12, AND SEPTEMBER 9, 2011
4. GOLF COURSE AND PRO SHOP FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JUNE 2011
5. AIR-*Cadia* FLOWAGE AND HANGER RENT REPORT FOR JUNE 2011
6. ARCADIA MOBILE HOME PARK REPORT FOR JUNE 2011

On motion of Councilmember Goodman to approve 1-6 Consent Agenda Items, Seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Motion carries 3-0.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

7. **ARCADIA MUNICIPAL MOBILE HOME PARK RV RENTAL RATES**

Judi Jankosky Assistant City Administrator explained that the rates will increase for the City Mobile Home Park (MHP), due to repairs that will take place at the MHP. She emphasized roof repairs and building additions that will take place. Judi also mentioned she contacted Craig's RV, and Oak Haven and considering the amenities they offer and what utilities are included she felt by increasing the amount from \$300 to \$400 a month with city paying electric, this would be an amount that would be within comparison of her research. Councilmember Johnson mentioned out of curiosity what the other municipalities charge.

Councilmember Johnson made the motion to approve rental rates to 400.00 with city paying electric, seconded by Councilmember Goodman. Motion carries 3-0.

8. **DISCUSSION OF ARCADIA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE AND PRO-SHOP RATE SCHEDULE FOR 2011-2012**

Judi Jankosky Assistant City Administrator mentioned the rate for the golf course will decrease. She decided this when an analysis was performed with using the past seven years green fees and accounting for the memberships with comparing to the Bluffs and Sunnybreeze golf courses. Mrs. Jankosky hopes to be competitive, and increase the number of memberships by rolling back to the rates from 2007.

Councilmember Goodman made the motion to approve golf course and pro-shop rate schedule change, seconded by Councilmember Johnson. Motion carries 3-0.

9. **PUBLIC RISK MANAGEMENT (PRM) HEALTH INSURANCE PROPOSAL**

Judi Jankosky Assistant City Administrator presented the council with literature on different options the city can go with for health insurance. She explained the difference with the plans, and what the savings would be for the city. PRM contracts on the fiscal calendar year. BCBS current health insurance contract is effective through January 1, through December 31 with a notice to cancel must be delivered by August 2<sup>nd</sup> for an October 1 cancellation without penalties. City Administrator advised council their will be a workshop for all employees and Councilmember Dr. Goodman also reiterated that she would like for the Marshal's staff to be involved with this and for all retirees to be notified so everyone is involved in this process. The council agreed to a workshop for July 26, 2011.

10. **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH DESOTO COUNTY FOR BUILDING OFFICIAL PROGRAM**

The City and the County have common home rule powers to enforce building codes, contractor licensing and related Ordinances. The city, by Ordinance is required to designate a "Building Official". The County and the City agree that the Desoto County "Building Official" will be designated " Building Official" for the City with all of the rights, duties and responsibilities conferred by ordinance and codes of the City.

City Attorney William Galvano mentioned this Agreement is authorized under Section 163.01, Florida Statutes. Building permit fees shall be waived for City owned projects which are 100% City funded. City Attorney mentioned this Agreement is a five (5) year term.

11. **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH DESOTO COUNTY FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES**

The City and the County have common home rule powers to enforce animal control ordinances. City Attorney mentioned this Agreement is authorized under Section 163.01, Florida Statutes. This is a five (5) year term without cause, 90 days.

Councilmember Dr. Goodman made the motion to approve, Seconded Councilmember Dr. Johnson 3-0.

12. REQUEST FOR VACATION OF A 16' UNOPENED ROW IN THE MIDDLE BLOCK 51, TOWN OF ARCADIA OS (SOUTH OF E. MAGNOLIA, NORTH OF E. PINE, W OF S. OSCEOLA AND E. OF S. HERNANDO)

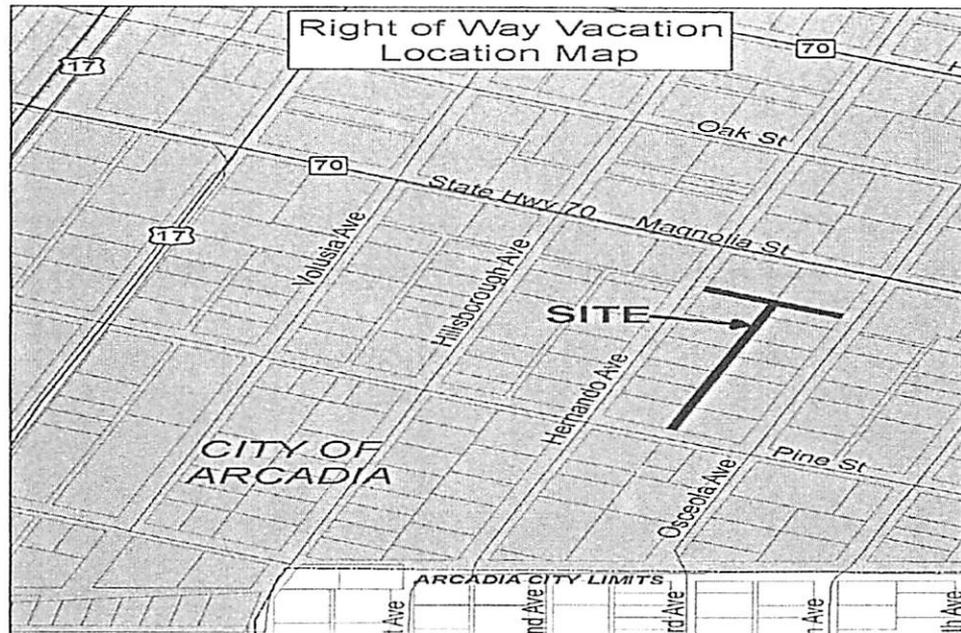
Deputy Mayor Keith Keene advised the city council their was a petition for this ROW at parcel ID 2527240012-0510 with neighbors involved and mentioned only one (1) Neighbor that was against the vacation of sixteen(16) foot unopened right of way in the middle of Block 51 in the town of Arcadia. This is a request by Jane Martin of the Joshua Creek Realty Group on behalf of contract purchaser Leslie L. Brewer and contract seller Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

Councilmember Dr. Goodman made the motion to approve, Seconded by, Councilmember Dr. Johnson. Approved 3-0.

13. RESOLUTION 2011-12, VACATING A 16' UNOPENED ROW IN THE MIDDLE OF BLOCK 51

Resolution 2011-12 Approved by Councilmember Dr. Goodman, Seconded by Councilmember Dr. Johnson. 3-0 motion carries.

"ATTACHMENT A"  
Site Location Map



**COMMENTS FROM DEPARTMENTS**

14. **CITY MARSHAL**  
 a) Activity Report  
 b) Foreclosure of property at 501 Sunset, Code Enforcement

City Marshal Charles Lee approached the council first by making sure that everyone was aware of The Code Enforcement Officer Carl McQuay's Credentials. City Marshal advised council and former City Councilmember, Lorenzo Dixon that he is a State Certified Code Enforcement Officer. In a previous meeting Lorenzo Dixon made comment that he was no longer FDLE (FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT) certified.

Code Enforcement Officer Carl McQuay mentioned that 501 Sunset is in the Bridle Path area and has a Lien on it since February 2, 2010 with an amount of \$5,343.76. Mr. Mcquay mentioned he has tried to contact the homeowner and would like for the City to take action to help move forward with this process. This lot is in violation due to over grown grass and debris. City Marshal added he hopes to move forward with taking action and added his main priority is cleaning up the lot. City Administrator suggested as long as the property remains in violation the fees will continue to accumulate and eventually the finds will pay the clean up fees.

Councilmember Dr. Goodman made the motion to approve to continue the finds while this lot is in violation due to overgrown grass, Seconded by Councilmember Dr. Johnson. 3-0 Motion carries.

15. **ATTORNEY**  
 City Attorney William Galvano agreed with the vote for Bond Street. Explaining with no clear title the finds would pay clean up fees.

16. **ADMINISTRATOR**
- a) **Council recommendation letter for McSwain Park playground area grant**  
 City Administrator explained this is through the Hands of Angels grant Selby foundation. Councilmembers were familiar with this organization from the past. Councilmember Johnson without hesitate made motion to approve the letter of recommendation, Seconded by Councilmember Goodman. Deputy Mayor Keene was also glad to approve letter for Hands of Angels. 3-0 Approved. Motion carries.
- b) **Community Contribution Tax Credit program**  
 Council approved Community Tax Credit program for various entities.

Councilmember Dr. Goodman made motion to approve, Seconded by Councilmember Dr. Johnson. Motion carries.

**c) HIGHWAY 17 EXPANSION, MOVING OF CITY PIPES REQUIRED BY FDOT (FUNDS CITY OBLIGATION)**

Fred Lewis explained he has been approached by FDOT, and they are requiring the City to remove pipes at the City's expense. Mr. Lewis advised council he is in contact with Mrs. Prescott, Engineer of CARDNO TBE. At this time looking for documentation of pipe installation to provide proof of when the pipes were installed.

City Administrator mentioned if it comes to the city having to pay cost, there are three (3) options. Ask for a waiver -finance, a hardship request promising note, or replacement schedule July 31, 2014. City Administrator said either way we will look into all angels.

**d) FIRE STATION AT CYPRESS & 10<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH DESOTO COUNTY AND SUBSEQUENT PLANS FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR OF CITY HALL.**

City Administrator discussed the opening of Fire Station for Volunteers at Cypress & 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and advised City Council they will not be on 24/7, and advised council of the new fire station on SR 72. City Administrator

A suggestion was made by City Administrator that he would like to see an Antique Museum at the City Hall. Followed by his suggestion council

**e) LIVESTOCK MARKET GRANT APPROVAL**

City Administrator explained the Livestock Grant Approval and mentioned this is not a Cash money Grant. This assistance would be from Department of Environmental Protection Agency to assist with the clean up and removal.

**MILLAGE RATE**

The Millage rate was discussed and voted on with the Council voting 3-0 with all votes in favor of the current Millage rate of 8.0899. Councilmember Dr. Goodman agreed without increases, and Councilmember Dr. Johnson who seconded the motion, repeated hold Millage rate no increase Deputy Mayor Keene wants for it to remain. With 3-0 vote, motion carries.

**PUBLIC**

Ray Stewart, the Cities Insurance Agent for Liability and his representatives were present to talk about the coverage that they provide for the City.

Lorenzo Dixon, Previous Councilman mentioned the City has some friendship created positions and wanted to remind everyone with the City having the deficit that it has, There is no reason why an officer like "Angie" who has been a Code Enforcement officer for several years can still be in that position. Comments were made about decals getting removed off vehicle and Mr. Dixon was inquiring why the Code Enforcement Officer does not have

permanent decals on his City Vehicle and said he has seen City Code Enforcement Officer driving around town without the magnets on the vehicle.

City Marshal Charles Lee explained that the Code Enforcement Vehicle that has permanent decals is broke down and parked in the back of the building and choose not to put any more money into it. The vehicle is old and needs to be replaced.

#### CITY ADMINISTRATOR GIVES UPDATE ON THE NEW CITY RECORDER

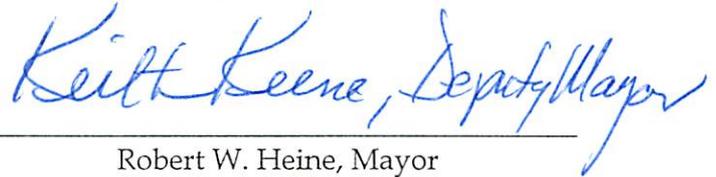
City Administrator mentioned the new City Recorder Virginia Haas, has taken her drug test and just waiting on a few things but spoke highly of Virginia's Credentials. He mentioned she is from the City of Oak Hill as a City Recorder, and has a BA degree in Political Science. Deputy Mayor Keene was very pleased and his comment was "that is impeccable", Councilmember Dr. Johnson said he has no objection to that, Councilmember Dr. Goodman Echoed and said she too, thinks it's wonderful and very excited about meeting the new city recorder.

#### ADJOURN

Having no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 PM.

APPROVED THIS 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2011.

By:

  
Robert W. Heine, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Shelley Peacock, Interim City Clerk