

FRUITLAND PARK CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
August 6, 2012

MEETING STATISTICS. A regular meeting of the Fruitland Park City Commission was conducted in the Commission Chambers of City Hall, 506 West Berckman Street, Fruitland Park, Florida on Monday, August 6, 2012 beginning at 6:15 p.m.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. CM Bowers delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Mayor Richardson.

ROLL CALL. Mayor Bell asked City Clerk Diane Gibson Smith to call the roll.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT. Commissioner John L. Gunter, Jr., Commissioner Sharon Kelly, Commissioner Albert O. Goldberg, Vice Mayor Jim Richardson, Mayor Christopher J. Bell

MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS/OTHERS PRESENT. City Manager (CM) Ralph Bowers, Police Chief (PC) Terry Isaacs, Public Works Director (PWD) John Bostic III, City Treasurer (CT) Jeannine Racine Michaud, Community Development Director (CDD) Charlie Rector, Recreation Director (RD) Sherry Bechtel, and City Clerk (CC) Diane Gibson Smith.

01. APPROVED CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED AND MOVED TO HAVE ACTION MINUTES DONE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Vice Mayor Richardson stated he did not feel the minutes actually followed what had been done at the meetings and suggested doing action minutes instead.

Commissioner Gunter agreed stating the minutes were a clerical operation.

Mayor Bell stated he did not have a problem with having them done that way but he feels the minutes have a historical value.

CA Gerken noted legally we do need to approve minutes, but there is no requirement for them to include anything other than the motion and vote.

Vice Mayor Richardson moved and Commissioner Gunter seconded to have action minutes done until voting to do otherwise. The motion carried with a vote of 4 ayes with Commissioner Kelly voting nay.

Vice Mayor Richardson moved and Commissioner Goldberg seconded to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously. The items approved included: the minutes of the June 28, 2012 meeting, the minutes of the July 12, 2012 meeting, and the minutes of the July 19, 2012 special meeting.

02. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT -

a) CA Gerken stated a meeting has been scheduled with the County regarding CR466A on August 30, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the County Attorney's office. We will be letting them know of our desire to have things move ahead even though there are no funds.

b) CA Gerken also reported our golf cart item will be going in front of the County Commission soon.

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Vice Mayor Richardson questioned how much had been spent on the Golf Cart ordinance. CA Gerken noted he was not sure.

CT Michaud stated about \$2,000 on permits and signage.

Vice Mayor Richardson asked how many golf carts have been registered. PC Isaacs stated one, but only because he doesn't want to register them until everything is approved.

Vice Mayor Richardson asked if they would receive a map when they register. PC Isaacs stated no.

03. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Road Resurfacing – CM Bowers stated he received questions about going out to bid for resurfacing. CA Gerken has informed us we can piggy-back on contracts of others. The price per ton is the important variable. We can dictate the thickness of the overlay. He recommends going with C. W. Roberts. This will come back in front of Commission for approval.

Mayor Bell stated he would like additional information on the overlays such as the expected life span before a decision is made.

CM Bowers stated he usually likes an inch and ¼ for overlays. More specific recommendations will be brought back.

Commissioner Gunter questioned if Ciraco gave a price. CM Bowers stated he was not sure if we could piggy-back on a CDBG contract.

Commissioner Gunter also noted some of the streets listed are actually in the area we should look at putting sewer into next. He questioned if those roads should be removed from this list. We can start applying for our next CDBG grant within six months.

No action was taken. This item was tabled to get further information.

Vice Mayor Richardson questioned if we had done anything about a paving program such as having the roads assessed and then put on a rotation. CM Bowers stated this would be done by whoever gets the bid.

CA Gerken noted he did not believe we would be able to piggy-back off our own contracts. Our policy would need to be revised.

- b) Water planning – CM Bowers stated he is working on water planning. He stated it has become apparent that the well at the Dairy will not be cost feasible. Logan site is still being looked at. Looks like we will be able to recommend the Logan site in the near future. Turns out that we have some room before a new well will become necessary – at least 2 to 3 years.

CM Bowers stated he is still evaluating the difference in cost of the various lines - the Glen line and the loop line. He noted he will be evaluating the difference in cost of

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putting in the loop line which will open up CR468 for future development and give redundancy. This needs to be approached very carefully. Problem is Well #6 was an outstanding idea and just didn't work out well.

We have time, but not much flexibility with working on the Wingspread/Glen issue. There is a certain amount of risk involved. We don't have the redundancy and that is what needs to be addressed at some time.

Vice Mayor Richardson noted the quality of the water. CM Bowers said this is a delicate balance with chlorine as putting in too much would be bad for those closer to the source.

Commissioner Gunter suggested adding a small chlorine station near Wingspread. PWD Bostic noted the chlorine level is fine. The smell is the problem.

Commissioner Kelly noted there may be a problem getting a return on our investment if we put a line down CR468. CM Bowers stated that is in our JPA.

CDD Rector stated it is approved to Lewis Road; not south of there. There is a potential for clients down CR468; especially more than in a pasture.

CM Bowers reiterated that more work is needing to be done before a decision is made.

04. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Adopted Ordinance 2012-026 regarding Code of Ethics. CA Gerken read Ordinance 2012-026, by title only, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A CODE OF ETHICS FOR CITY COMMISSIONERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 10.02 OF THE CITY'S CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATION OF SUCH CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Bell requested comments and or questions from the Public.

Rick Ranize, a concerned citizen, questioned how enforcement will be made if a Commissioner is found in violation.

CA Gerken stated if this happens, there are bigger problems than trying to collect the fine.

Vice Mayor Richardson stated he feels there should still be a reference to the Charter and following the Charter. Mayor Bell noted that was brought up last time and no one moved on this.

Vice Mayor Richardson noted the Charter states when he receives his budget he will receive a capital plan which he has never received.

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Commissioner Kelly moved and Commissioner Goldberg seconded to adopt Ordinance 2012-026. The roll call vote was as follows:

Vice Mayor Richardson	Nay
Mayor Bell	Aye
Commissioner Goldberg	Aye
Commissioner Kelly	Aye
Commissioner Gunter	Nay

The motion carried with a vote of 3 ayes and 2 nays.

05. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE None

06. NEW BUSINESS

a) Adopted Resolution 2012-026 setting Group Numbers for Commissioners for use in elections. CA Gerken read Resolution 2012-026, by title only, as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING GROUP NUMBERS FOR THE FOUR COMMISSIONER SEATS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Bell noted this was in response to the Supervisor of Elections office.

Vice Mayor Richardson noted he prefers seat numbers to group numbers as a group is more than one.

Commissioner Gunter noted he has been Group 3 in the past.

CA Gerken noted there is no requirement to have them named.

Vice Mayor Richardson continued to request it to be called a seat.

Vice Mayor Richardson moved and Commissioner Goldberg seconded to call these seats instead of groups. The motion failed with 1 aye and 4 nays in a voice vote.

Commissioner Kelly moved and Commissioner Gunter seconded to adopt Resolution 2012-026 as presented. The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Gunter	Aye
Vice Mayor Richardson	Aye
Mayor Bell	Aye
Commissioner Goldberg	Aye
Commissioner Kelly	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

b) Cancelled Resolution 2012-027 amending the budget to increase the CIP Watermain Construction Budget for BESH survey of the Pine Ridge Dairy to the Glen right of way and property lines. CA Gerken read Resolution 2012-027, by title only, as follows:

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR TO INCREASE CIP WATERMAIN CONSTRUCTION BY \$5,730 FROM CIP CONTINGENCY, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE 2011-2012 BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

CA Gerken noted a typographical error was in the written resolution; but he read it correctly.

CM Bowers asked if a purchase order had been issued. PWD Bostic stated yes, but he will cancel it.

Commissioner Kelly moved and Vice Mayor Richardson seconded to cancel Resolution 2012-027. The motion carried unanimously with all the Commissioners voting aye.

c) Adopted Resolution 2012-028 amending the budget for the Fire Department Bonus and FICA taxes. CA Gerken read Resolution 2012-0028, by title only, as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE 2011-2012 FISCAL YEAR TO INCREASE FIRE DEPARTMENT BONUS AND FIRE DEPARTMENT FICA BY \$3,821.59 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FIREFIGHTER BONUS AND TAXES, PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE 2011-2012 BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kelly moved and Vice Mayor Richardson seconded to adopt Resolution 2012-028. The roll call vote was as follows:

Commissioner Goldberg	Aye
Commissioner Kelly	Aye
Commissioner Gunter	Aye
Vice Mayor Richardson	Aye
Mayor Bell	Aye

The motion carried unanimously.

Vice Mayor Richardson questioned if the memo had been received by everyone regarding the reserve police officers. CT Michaud noted they did not receive anything.

Commissioner Gunter moved and Vice Mayor Richardson seconded to include the Reserve Police Officers with the Firefighters. The motion carried unanimously with all Commissioners voting aye.

07. CITIZENS' COMMENTS - None

08. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

a) Vice Mayor Richardson – noted when the annexations were done, we told them we would review the propane tax. We have determined several other cities and the county do not collect it. Vice Mayor Richardson also brought up the multiplier used in utility billing.

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CT Michaud stated she had brought back how much money would be lost. Vice Mayor Richardson stated they pay for every drop of water used. Commissioner Kelly noted that is how many businesses there are. Vice Mayor Richardson stated Smart Fuels have three electric meters and one water meter but pays for three water usages even though not all the buildings have water. CT Michaud noted she will bring the memo back on this. Vice Mayor Richardson suggested having a meet and greet similar to that hosted by the American Legion in the past. Sherri Bechtel will bring back information on this.

b) Commissioner Gunter - none

c) Commissioner Kelly - none

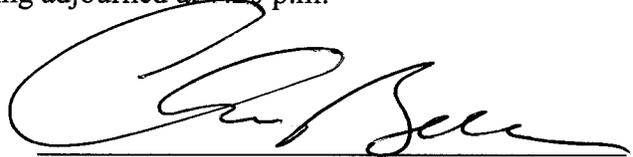
d) Commissioner Goldberg - none

09. MAYOR BELL'S COMMENTS. Mayor Bell spoke about the recent North Lake Community Park meeting and the importance of keeping our project moving forward. South Lake County is working hard to "woo" the funding to their area. The Lake County Recreation Board (advisory board to Board of County Commissioners) has approved moving our North Lake Community Park ahead. This will be brought back to the Commission in October for more information.

CM Bowers stated we want to become the hub for women's softball and volleyball. We want to put sports that others are not offering.

Mayor Bell stated this will also be an economic project through the use of the large building.

10. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Richardson moved to adjourn the regular meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Christopher J. Bell, Mayor

Attest:



Diane L. Gibson Smith, CMC, City Clerk