

**FRUITLAND PARK CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**JUNE 27, 2013**

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 Thursday, June 27, 2013 beginning at 7:00 p.m

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Pastor Mulford from Grace Bible Baptist delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Mayor Kelly.

ROLL CALL. Mayor Bell asked Acting City Clerk Marie Azzolino to call the roll.

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

MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS/OTHERS PRESENT. Interim City Manager (ICM) Rick Conner, Police Chief (PC) Terry Isaacs, Acting City Treasurer (ACT) Susan Parker, Community Development Director (CDD) Charlie Rector, and Acting City Clerk (ACC) Marie Azzolino.

01. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Pat Maynard President of American Legion Auxiliary stated that they would like to adopt Shiloh Cemetery as their yearly project. They would clean all grave sites. Also would like to enroll Shiloh in Wreaths Across America which will be on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Wreaths would be placed on all Veteran's graves. She stated she is asking for the Commission's approval and would need a liaison from the City to coordinate the cleaning on the days they are at the cemetery.

Mayor Bell stated that Marie Azzolino would be the contact person.

Vice Mayor Kelly made a motion to accept the adoption of the Cemetery and Wreaths across America. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gunter. The motion was carried unanimously.

Bob Boyce – 1709 Forest Glenn. – stated he was concerned about the pothole there. He stated that it might be a hazard especially for children.

Charlie Rector, (CDD) stated that we are in the process of getting potholes filled but if he feels this one is a major concern they will address the situation first.

Bob Boyce stated that the County is changing their regulations on chickens. Even if the County says you can have chickens, Fruitland Park can't have chickens until the Commission votes on having chickens, is that correct?

Mayor Bell stated that was correct and that the Commission would discuss that at a later date.

02. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT - Acting City Treasurer Susan Parker gave her end of the month report.

03. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT - Rick Conner, Interim City Manager thanked the staff for helping to get figures together for the budget. Mr. Conner asked the Police Chief Terry Isaacs to tell the Commission about an incident that happened.

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Police Chief Isaacs stated that there was a smell coming from an apartment in the City. They shut down part of the city and found a Meth Lab in the apartment. The occupants of the apartment confessed to the lab charges. One occupant was charged with manufacturing and possession of 100 grams of Meth which equals about \$ 10,000. He was a transit and utilized this apartment when the people were gone. There were no injuries and everyone was decontaminated.

Mayor Bell stated that it was a job well done.

04. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Second Reading of Ordinance 2013-002 regarding inclusion in the Lake County's Countywide Municipal Service Taxing Unity for Ambulance and Emergency Medical Services.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, CONSENTING TO THE INCLUSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA WITHIN THE COUNTY-WIDE MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNITY (MSTU) FOR THE ROVISION OF AMBULANCE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, AS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR THE CITY TO BE INCLUDED WITHIN SAID MSTU FOR A SPECIFIED TERM OF YEARS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner Goldberg to adopt Ordinance 2013-002 seconded by Vice Mayor Kelly.

Commissioner Gunter	aye
Vice Mayor Kelly	aye
Mayor Bell	aye
Commissioner Goldberg	aye
Commissioner Cheshire	aye

Mr. Conner ( ICM) stated he spoke to Katrina and was told this Ordinance has to be renewed every year and ask that we can make it ongoing so we don't forget to do it. Commissioner Gunter stated that we do it every year so we can keep up on any increases.

Mr. Conner (ICM) stated he did not know that and maybe we should keep it on going as long as the rate stays the same.

Mayor Bell stated that we do not know for another month what the rate will be.

05. OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 2013-005

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA, CLOSING AND VACATING THE PORTION OF RIGHT OF WAY OF HAWKS LANDING AFFECTED BY THE CLOSING OF THE GATE BETWEEN WINGSPREAD AND THE GLEN; CONDITIONING SUCH VACATION UPON THE RESERVATION OF A BLANKET UTILITY EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK; CONDITIONING SUCH VACATION UPON THE RESERVATION OF AN INGRESS AND EGRESS EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR RECORDATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Bell stated that this has been tabled and discussed for about a year.

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Charlie Rector stated that there is a signed agreement between The Glen and Wingspread, which both developments have withdrawn their petition.

Katrina Stone stated that no approval is needed as long as it is withdrawn.

Representatives from both sides attended to hear that the Commission has accepted their withdrawal.

Mr. Mike Bono, The Glen Management, expressed how happy they are that all is agreed.

Motion to accept agreement by Vice Mayor Kelly seconded by Commissioner Goldberg.

Motion carried unanimously.

06 NEW BUSINESS

(a) Formal notice to proceed with Colin Baenziger as our Recruiting Agency.

Katrina Stone stated that Scott reviewed the contract .

Commissioner Goldberg moved and Commissioner Cheshire seconded to approve contract.

The motion was carried unanimously.

(b) Interim City Manager Employment Agreement.

Mayor Bell stated that Scott has approved, and our Interim City Manager has reviewed and signed the agreement.

Commissioner Cheshire moved and Commissioner Gunter seconded to approve agreement.

The motion was carried unanimously.

07. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- a) Commissioner Gunter – Welcome Rick aboard and happy we have someone here to help with the budget.
- b) Vice Mayor Kelly – Nothing
- c) Commissioner Goldberg – Met with the Interim City Manager and feels that he will work out fine with staff. Glad he is aboard.
- d) Commissioner Cheshire – A resident called the Fire and Ambulance and was very happy how fast the response was for her husband. The corvette car club wants to donate money to the school. Chief Isaacs will get with them and get their donations for the kids.

08. MAYOR BELL'S COMMENTS. – Congratulations to Chief Isaacs for a job well done. We are entering a time when our neighbors to our west have met with Scott and ourselves. Let's make sure this all goes through our new Interim City Manager. If anyone has a meeting with the Villages let's keep our City Manager on top of things. If at all possible, please let Mr. Conner attend those meetings.

Charlie Rector needed to inform the Commission that he has met with the new City Manager and got him up to speed on the Villages project. It will move fast and furious.

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Rick will be coming with me to the meeting tomorrow. We need to have LPG do a detail analysis of what is coming. LPG will do an impact analysis of what the Villages will do to Fruitland Park for the next 10 to 20 year time span. It will include demographics, population, land use, political impact, utility impact, transportation impact, public service impacts, and protected tax revenues. The report will cost \$3400 plus 10% non labor cost and would be complete within the next 45 days.

Mayor Bell stated that we really need to see the whole picture.

Vice Mayor Kelly moved and Commissioner Cheshire seconded.  
Motion was carried unanimously.

Charlie Rector stated all business licenses have been paid in full. Thanks to Amanda. We are allowed to have an increase in business licenses. At the next meeting, please consider a 5% increase in licenses.

Mayor Bell thanked Charlie for a lot of hard work getting things going with the Villages.

08. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Cheshire moved to adjourn the regular meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:40p.m.

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Christopher J. Bell, Mayor

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Marie Azzolino, Acting City Clerk