

TOWN OF ST. LEO
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
APRIL 13, 2009
7:00 P.M.

OPENING Call to Order – Mayor Hallett

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE
Commissioner Hamilton

ROLL CALL Donna DeWitt, O.S.B. - Commissioner
Richard Christmas – Commissioner
James Hallett, O.S.B., Mayor
William Hamilton – Mayor ProTem

STAFF Karen Benoit – Office Assistant
Charles Chritton – Town Attorney
James Dye – Dye, Deitrich, Petruff & St. Paul, P.L.

ATTENDEES Stan Briscoe
Becky Courtney
Robert Courtney
Dominic Iafrate, Jr.
Bud Klinge
Janis Klinge
Sue Murphy
Greg Smith
Sheila Smith
Chris Weddle, Civil Engineer
John Wendel, Attorney

MINUTES **MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 9, 2009.**
MOTION BY: Commissioner Hamilton
SECOND: Commissioner Christmas
Discussion.
VOTE: Unanimous for Approval – Adopted 4/0

PREVIOUS MONTH EXPENSES AND BUDGET REVIEW

MOTION: TO ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT DATED
APRIL 13, 2009.
MOTION BY: Commissioner Christmas
SECOND: Commissioner DeWitt
Discussion.
VOTE: Unanimous for Approval - Adopted 4/0

MAYOR'S REPORT

Proclamation 09-01 and Presentation to Janis Klingle

Mayor Hallett read the engraved plaque which was then presented to Mrs. Janis Klingle in recognition of her 18 years of loyal service to the Town of St. Leo. Mayor Hallett then read Proclamation 09-01 honoring Mrs. Klingle for her dedication.

Commission Seat #2 – Robert Courtney

Robert Courtney had been contender for seat #2, previously held by James Gajewski. Commissioner Gajewski, however, resigned and officially withdrew from the election process. The town then had the option of seating Mr. Courtney prior to April 14th. Tonight, Mayor Hallett recommended that Robert Courtney be seated on the commission for the end of the commission term.

MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATION OF ROBERT COURTNEY TO THE TOWN COMMISSION COMPLETING THE UNEXPIRED COMMISSION TERM PREVIOUSLY HELD BY JAMES GAJEWSKI.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Christmas
SECOND BY: Commissioner DeWitt
VOTE: Unanimous for Approval – Adopted 4/0

With approval by the commission, Attorney Chritton read the Oath of Office to Robert Courtney, officially seating him to the Town Commission.

Iafrate Annexation – John Wendel

It was noted that on April 2, 2009, Mayor Hallett, Patricia Petruff, John Wendel and Clerk Miller met at town Hall. Attorney Wendel updated the group regarding the Iafrate Project. Discussion included a review of topics that had been covered at Town commission meetings during the past year.

Tonight, Attorney Wendel stated that although unsuccessful to date, the Iafrate family is still attempting to acquire a written reply from Pasco County providing for water and sanitary sewer service. He also stated that during past occasions that he spoke to county representatives, he was given verbal affirmation that public water and sewer could be provided. Even though a written response has not yet been received and shared with the Town, Attorney Wendel asked if the Town Commission would direct the Town Attorney and Town Planner to work with Planner Murphy and himself, to begin creating a formalized document that could ultimately be used for creating a pre-annexation agreement. Further, an offer to reimburse the Town for expenses created by the discussions (of concept only) with the Town Attorney and Town Planner, only to prepare an

appropriate document leading to a potential pre-annexation agreement for consideration, still stood. A partnership with the town is desired, in a developmental sense, to prepare potentially acceptable terms of for the land. With conviction, Wendel maintained, that development on the property will not proceed without public water and public sewer service.

Discussion continued.

MOTION TO HAVE A WORKSHOP DEDICATED TO DISCUSSION OF THE IAFRATE LAND.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Courtney

SECOND BY: Commissioner Christmas

VOTE: Inconclusive

Mayor Hallett requested a vote by roll call.

Roll Call:

Commissioner DeWitt	Aye
Commissioner Christmas	Aye
Commissioner Hamilton	Nay
Commissioner Courtney	Aye
Commissioner Hallett	Nay

Motion passed on a 3/2 Vote

Mayor Hallett asked that a combined workshop take place discussing the Iafirate land and the Comprehensive Plan submittal to DCA. Monday, May 4th at 6 PM, was selected for the workshop. The Town Clerk will follow up with the commissioners to confirm.

PLANNER REPORT

Comprehensive Plan 2025

Comments were received from DCA regarding the plan submitted last winter. Water, sewer, and energy related policies need to be addressed by state statute. Review of the needed changes will be covered at the May 4th workshop.

Peggy's Hay Farm – Chris Weddle, Engineer

Twenty five feet of right of way on Pompanic Street was included in the original road survey completed by DC Johnson. Before the plat is officially presented to the Town, the owner would like to know if the Town will require any additional right of way.

Mayor Hallett suggested that each commissioner view the area to help make that determination.

Saint Leo University Reclaimed Water Holding Pond

Planner Norsoph made note that although a grant has been sought for a reclaimed water pond to be placed in a wetlands area near SR 52. Saint

Leo University has been advised that a formal site plan is required by the Town for approval before any work can begin.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Code Enforcement

A draft of various forms leading up to and including a citation form, fees and the draft ordinance was presented to the commissioners. This document will be edited prior to the first reading.

Lake Jovita Mayor Hallett gave a brief update regarding hydrilla and algae growth on Lake Jovita. A biologist will be visiting the lake in the near future. Information will be shared about this visit.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: TO ADJOURN MEETING AT 9:28 P.M.

MOTION BY: Commissioner Hamilton

SECOND BY: Commissioner DeWitt

VOTE: Unanimous for Approval – 4/0

Respectfully,
Joan Miller, C.M.C.