

CITY OF BELLEVIEW
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
AGENDA

BELLEVIEW CITY HALL
COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Mayor TAMMY C. MOORE
Seat 1 MICHAEL J. GOLDMAN
Seat 2 KENNETH R. NADEAU
Seat 3 WILMA C. LOAR
Seat 4 CHRISTINE K. DOBKOWSKI

February 20, 2007

6: 00 PM

IF A PERSON SHOULD DESIRE TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE BOARD OR COMMISSION A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS WHICH INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED MAY BE NEEDED. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO HIRE A COURT REPORTER TO MAKE A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT, OR A TAPE OF THE MEETING CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$5.00/CD AT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE. THE CITY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY MECHANICAL FAILURE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT

This meeting has been properly noticed PD

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

COMMISSIONER NADEAU

AGENDA ITEMS

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

Routine items are placed on the Consent Agenda. A Motion to approve the Consent Agenda is a Motion to approve all recommended actions. If any member of the Commission wishes to discuss any item, the procedure will be as follows: 1) Pull such items from the Consent Agenda; 2) Upon a Motion and a second, vote on the remaining items; 3) Discuss the pulled items individually and vote on each item.

a. Approval Of Minutes: 1/02/07 Regular Commission Meeting
1/10/07 Workshop Meeting

b) Proclamation: Public Works Week – 5/20 to 5/26/07

c) Paving Project 2006-01 – Final Pay Request – Remaining Balance \$80,618.00

d) Marion County – Traffic Signal Maintenance Agrmt - Maintain COB Traffic Signals

e) Commission Calendar – Reschedule of Commission Meetings to 7/10 and 7/24

2. PUBLIC HEARING: Final Reading, a) Burn Ordinance 2007-03

b) Police Pension Ordinance 2007-05

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution 07-02 Solid Waste Disposal Tipping Fees

4. PUBLIC HEARING: First Reading, a) Ordinance 2007-06 Rast Annex

b) Ordinance 2007-07 Whitney/Holloway Annex

c) Ordinance 2007- Recreation Impact Fees

5. UNSCHEDULED AUDIENCE

6. ONE YEAR FINANCING PROPOSALS

7. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS

**CITY OF BELLEVIEW
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SYNOPSIS**

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1. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) **Approval of Minutes: 1/02/07 Regular Meeting
1/10/07 Workshop Meeting**
- b) **Proclamation Public Works Week**
- c) **Paving Project 2006-001 Final Pay Request**
- d) **Marion County – Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement**

ACTION: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA EXCEPT ITEM b)

b) PROCLAMATION: Public Works Week

ACTION: PRESENTED PROCLAMATION

**2. PUBLIC HEARING: Final Reading, a) Burn Ordinance 2007-03
b) Police Pension Ordinance 2007-05**

ACTION: ADOPTED ORDINANCES 2007-03 AND 2007-05

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution 07-02 Solid Waste Disposal Tipping Fees

ACTION: ADOPTED RESOLUTION 2007-02

**4. PUBLIC HEARING: First Reading: a) Ordinance 2007-06 Rast Annex
b) Ordinance 2007-07 Whitney/Holloway Annex
c) Ordinance 2007-004 Recreation Impact Fees**

ACTION: APPROVED FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES 2007-06, 2007-07 AND 2007-04

5. UNSCHEDULED AUDIENCE:

ACTION: N/A

6. ONE YEAR FINANCING PROPOSALS

ACTION: APPROVED AWARDING PROPOSAL TO SUNTRUST BANK

7. DEPARTMENT HEADS

PWD MONROE: *STATED HE HAD THE SURVEY FOR THE 27 ACRES*

CHIEF STRICKLAND: *NOTHING AT THIS TIME*

INFORMATION TECH TOWNE: *NOTHING AT THIS TIME*

CLERK McKAMEY: *REVIEWED GOVERNOR CRIST'S NEW TAX REFORM PROPOSALS*

JEFF SHRUM: *DISCUSSED THE ADDITIONAL COST TO 4 LANE C-25*

ATTORNEY LANDT: *NOTHING AT THIS TIME*

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER GOLDMAN:

ACTION: *DISCUSSED SPEED SIGNS AND USING THE SPEED TRAILER TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON THE TRUCK TRAFFIC GOING THROUGH THE COB*

COMMISSIONER NADEAU:

ACTION: *DISCUSSED THE FLORIDA TRAIL GATEWAY COMMUNITY FIRST WALK WOULD BE THIS SATURDAY*

COMMISSIONER LOAR:

ACTION: *DISCUSSED THE STOP SIGN ON 110TH*

COMMISSIONER DOBKOWSKI:

ACTION: *DISCUSSED THE CITY'S WASTE HAULER BEING IN ARREARS WITH THE COUNTY*

MAYOR MOORE:

ACTION: *STATED THE WORKSHOP ON 2/28 WAS ON WIFI;*

STATED THAT THE CITY CLERK WOULD BE ATTENDING THE 3/28 LEGISLATIVE DAY IN TALLAHASSEE

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

**CITY OF BELLEVUE
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**BELLEVUE CITY HALL
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PRESENT: MAYOR MOORE; DOBKOWSKI; GOLDMAN; LOAR, NADEAU; PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MONROE; INFORMATION TECH TOWNE; CHIEF STRICKLAND; ATTORNEY LANDT; LAND DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR SHRUM; CITY CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR McKAMEY; DEPUTY CITY CLERK DeGENARO

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda except for item b, and Commissioner Goldman seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore
The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

The Consent Agenda, except item b, was approved as follows:

- a) Minutes: 1/02/07 Regular Commission Meeting
1/10/07 Workshop Meeting
- c. Paving Project 2006-01 – Payment of remaining balance, 10% Retainage of \$80,618
- d. Marion County – Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement
- e) Commissioner Calendar – July 2007 meetings were rescheduled to 7/10 and 7/24

- b. Proclamation: Public Works Week – 5/20 to 5/26/07: Clerk McKamey read the Proclamation declaring the week of May 20 to May 26, 2007 as Public Works Week in the COB. Mayor Moore presented the proclamation to PWD Monroe.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING: Final Reading, a) Burn Ordinance 2007-03
b) Police Pension Ordinance 2007-05**

- a) Clerk McKamey read Title Only, **Burn Ordinance 2007-03** and gave a brief update.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Ordinance 2007-03 wanted to come forward. No one came forward.

Commissioner Goldman made a Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2007-03 and Commissioner Nadeau seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore

The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

b) Clerk McKamey read Title Only, **Ordinance 2007-05 Police Pension** and stated that the City Attorney and auditors had reviewed this Ordinance.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Ordinance 2007-05 wanted to come forward. No one came forward.

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2007-05 and Commissioner Loar seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore

The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution 07-02 Solid Waste Disposal Tipping Fees

Clerk McKamey read Title Only of **Resolution 2007-02** and gave a brief review of the Resolution which increased the monthly garbage and trash fees from \$19.87 to \$20.33 effective 4/1/07.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Resolution 2007-02 wanted to come forward. No one came forward.

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Adopt Resolution 07-02 and Commissioner Loar seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore

The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

**4. PUBLIC HEARING: First Reading, a) Ordinance 2007-06 Rast Annex
b) Ordinance 2007-07 Whitney/Holloway Annex
c) Ordinance 2007-04 Recreation Impact Fees**

a) Clerk McKamey read Title Only, **Ordinance 2007-06 Rast Annex** and gave a brief update of the Ordinance.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Ordinance 2007-06 wanted to come forward. Tom Cafaro came forward and handed out a packet showing the layout of the project and described the landscaping that would be put on the site.

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Approve First Reading of Ordinance 2007-06 and Commissioner Dobkowski seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore

The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

b)Clerk McKamey read Title Only, **Ordinance 2007-07 Whitney/Holloway Annex** and gave a brief update of the Ordinance and stated that on Pg. 68, in the second “Whereas Clause” it should read that the zoning designation was R-4 not R-1.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Ordinance 2007-07 wanted to come forward. No one came forward.

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Approve First Reading of Ordinance 2007-07 and Commissioner Loar seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore

The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

c)Clerk McKamey read Title Only, for **Ordinance 2007-04 Recreation Impact Fee and Land Development Coordinator Shrum** gave a brief update of the Ordinance.

The Clerk stated that this was the same ordinance that was presented at the last meeting except for the addition of the Affordable Housing; Florida Statute 420 defines affordable housing for low and moderate income people.

Mayor Moore stated this was a Public Hearing and asked if anyone who was in favor or against Ordinance 2007-04 wanted to come forward. No one came forward.

Commissioner Nadeau stated that on Pg. 81 Section 58.56 the usages do not mention of a restroom building which was the number one complaint about Lake Lillian. Mr. Shrum stated Section 7 discusses ancillary and the restrooms would be considered ancillary facilities. Attorney Landt stated it would be better to put in restroom facilities, storage buildings, and offices and the like which would define ancillary.

Commissioner Nadeau made a Motion to Approve First Reading of Ordinance 2007--04 with the Amendment in Section 58.56(b)(7) to include restrooms facilities, office facilities and storage facilities and Commissioner Loar seconded the Motion.

Commissioner Goldman stated in the parks and recreation impact fee study our inventory was listed except for the 60 acres leased from Marion County. That property should be included because throughout the state there were a lot of municipalities that lease properties from counties and they list those properties in their Comprehensive Plans. If we included that 60 acres there would be no need to have an impact fee for recreation because we would be able to grow to another 6000 residents at our current level of service (LOS).

Most communities in the State do not have a (LOS) of 10 acres/1000 residents; most range from 3.5 acres/1000 residents to 6 acres/1000 residents. The Commissioner stated before we tax new residents \$1400 per person, we need to look at LOS requirements and include the 60 acres in our inventory. If this ordinance passes, COB would be the most expensive place to build in Marion

County. If we reduce our inventory just to 7 acres/1000 which would be well above the state average and then we could accommodate well over 12,000 -13,000 residents City wide.

Commissioner Dobkowski asked if the park Interlocal Agreement could be terminated and the Attorney stated it was a 25 year agreement with no option to renew. If the County decided not to renew then the City would not have that land. There was a short term remaining on the lease and half of the lease had expired; there was no option to renew and no guarantee it would be renewed. That was the reason that staff did not include the property in this ordinance.

Commissioner Dobkowski stated you could not always predict what other Boards would do and she did not want to take the change of not having a facility in place. Their first responsibility as Commissioners was to the residents who live here now and not inconvenience them with a crowded park.

Mayor Moore stated the LOS was brought before us a few months ago and we choose to leave it at 10 acres even though we knew other cities had a lower LOS. At that time, we also discussed the 60 acres and we could not plan on keeping the land for another 25 years. Attorney Landt stated the agreement was binding for the term, but there was no guarantee that it would be renewed; if you count it and it was not renewed the City would be out of compliance.

Mr. Shrum stated another issue to look at was who was using that facility. Some of the users were from outside our City limits so you were talking about serving a larger area that surrounded Belleview as well. 6000 people on paper look good but it was more difficult to find out what population was being served. The study was done to evaluate the LOS, but the basis for the impact fee ordinance was not the LOS. What we were trying to address here was the impact of new development so that it pays its appropriate share for the impact and for meeting the need for facilities.

Commissioner Goldman stated part of the impact fee was based on what land would costs and we were purchasing that land to meet a certain LOS. Mr. Shrum stated we were purchasing land to make sure the City would not have LOS issues. This impact fee was based on purchasing the land and clearing the land, not for total recreation. The impact fees were to make sure the City could accommodate new developments.

Commissioner Goldman stated why couldn't we approach the County and ask them about renewing this property and table this item until then. If we don't need to impact new residents because we were at a high LOS then there was no reason to tax future residents of our community.

PWD Monroe stated it was not the LOS as much as the use of what we already have. The Commission approved plans and we built fields and additional parking. This was a one time opportunity to get some property next to this property and once the developer developed that area, there would be no additional land there. The 80 acres that we have now, every part of it was fully utilized and 3 acres /1000 or 10 acres/1000 it doesn't matter what the LOS was, we were full and we need to expand it.

Mayor Moore stated that the Attorney stated the COB residents were not the only people that use that park it was County residents as well and the County does not give us any money for that park. Our tax payers pay a park tax with their property taxes and the City doesn't get it back from the County. We have only received two grants in the last 15 years from the County. We need places for our residents to go in the future because now everyone uses this park.

Commissioner Dobkowski stated between both of our parks there were less than 10 swings and already parents cannot find a spot for their children to play. If we don't have the funds in place to add more recreation space it would hurt the people who already live here.

Commissioner Loar asked how close were we to the end of the 25 year lease and Attorney Landt stated 12-13 years; the Mayor interjected the lease was signed in 1993.

Mr. Shrum stated that Commissioner Goldman brought up a good point regarding the cost to build here in the City if the impact fee ordinance was approved. That was why we wanted to add affordable housing which would give the City some flexibility. We could waive some of those fees and the 25% was just a figure; we could look at other options for that.

Attorney Landt stated Commissioner Goldman did bring up a good point. The Commission needs to make a decision on what LOS the City wants to provide and what was appropriate for the community. One Commissioner thinks the City was being overly generous and wants questions answered. If you have a projected shortfall, then you could impose this impact fee to require the necessary lands. If you find Commissioner Goldman was correct and you should include the leased land then the analysis would be very different than if you did not for the reasons established. Attorney Landt stated that these concerns need to be addressed and it would be best to approach the County and ask if they would renew the lease. At the last joint meeting with the County when we asked the County for more money, the answer was no and that County Commission was not in favor of extending the agreement.

Mayor Moore stated that the LOS was discussed 4-5 meetings ago and asked if anyone now wanted to change our LOS. Commissioner Nadeau stated he was satisfied with the present LOS. The Commissioner stated given the current situation where we have a park: 1) used 90% by people outside of the City; 2) our current recreation complex was basically planned out so we could not designate land for any other sport or recreation; 3) we were servicing areas so much larger than what was in our City limits, considering all of that, he felt the 10 acres/1000 was an acceptable LOS.

Commissioner Loar agreed with Commissioner Nadeau that it was a workable situation here and she did not trust the County because in 15 years there could be all new people be on the County Commission. The Commissioner stated she wanted to keep it the way it was until the lease ran out.

Commissioner Goldman stated his concern was not adding our 60 acres of leased property when there were cities out there which were using leased properties in their Comprehensive Plans. If 90% of the park space was being used by nonresidents then how do you rationalize taxing new

people who were not the ones causing the impact to the park recreation facilities. The Commissioner stated he does not want the City to get slammed at a later date because some developer challenges the City and wants their money back because we did not put the 60 acres in our Comprehensive Plan like other cities have done. If the Attorney says it was fine so be it but it had nothing to do with the LOS but the need to be conscious of what was going on throughout the state so that we would not be faced with legal action for not doing so.

Mayor Moore stated the 60 acres was not the COB's land. Commissioner Dobkowski stated that was why the 60 acres was not put into the inventory because we don't consider it our property.

Attorney Landt stated in your analysis you need to visit this issue if it was the City land and whether the land you have in the City was sufficient land to meet the needs of the City not the people out in the County. If you don't need to require more land than you don't purchase more land and you won't need an impact fee.

Commissioner Dobkowski asked if the reasoning that we don't have assurance from the County that they would renew our lease be defensible in court. Attorney Landt stated you should ask the County and get your answer; it would be definitive.

Mayor Moore stated just because our cities count their leased land, do we have to do it. Attorney Landt stated you have to have a public hearing and take evidence as to whether you have sufficient resources or not and whether the leased resource given the time left on the lease and the needs you have met or whether you need to acquire additional lands in the future. Mayor Moore asked do we know if the County is using this park for their Comprehensive Plan and the Attorney stated he did not know if they were or not.

Attorney Landt stated someone could make a motion to postpone this issue or to table it to a future date and that would take precedence over the original motion; they could also withdraw the original motion. Commissioner Nadeau stated if we table this we would have to have two more hearings and the Attorney stated that was correct. Mr. Shrum interjected that this Ordinance would not take effect until 90 days after the adoption date.

Commissioner Dobkowski stated that Mr. Shrum had researched this and discussed this before and she was in favor with continuing with the vote for first Reading and we could vote against it or table it at the second reading.

**On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Dobkowski, Loar,
NO: Goldman, Moore**

The Motion passed with a 3-2 vote.

5. UNSCHEDULED AUDIENCE

N/A

6. BANK PROPOSALS

Commissioner Nadeau stated that he would like to discuss the information that was in the Agenda packet. The Commissioner stated he reviewed the terms and conditions of the proposals

based on his past experience of 25 years in the commercial and retail banking industry. The Commissioner also wanted to disclose that he would not gain personally from any of the four proposals

There were four proposals submitted for interest only, one year finance proposals for the purchase of the 27 acres. Community Bank and Trust would hold a mortgage on the property at a fixed one-year rate of 4.97%. This rate was above the other three proposals. Wachovia Bank would do a variable rate note at 4.47% with no prepayment penalty, or a fixed rate of 4.49% with a prepayment penalty, and these rates were also well above the final two.

Sun Trust Bank of Ocala and Hancock Bank of Tallahassee would both do the loan without encumbering the property, instead they would rely on a Covenant and the City Commission to budget the payment each year. Their rates were similar, Sun Trust offering a one-year fixed rate of 4.02%; Hancock offering a one-year fixed rate of 3.88%, with interest due quarterly. Both banks would finance the total amount needed to close the purchase including the City costs of title insurance, recording fees, etc.

The differences on a total amount borrowed of \$1.25 million were:

- a) interest to Sun Trust would be \$50,250 for the year; Hancock would be \$48,500;
- b) both require an outside law firm to render an opinion that the interest would qualify as tax exempt to the banks and then provide that opinion to the Banks' lawyers for their review;
- c) Sun Trust had a maximum cost of \$5000; Hancock maximum was \$4,000;
- d) Hancock would allow prepayment without penalty but with a 30 day advance written notice; Sun Trust allows prepayments at any time;
- e) Hancock had a clause that the City would not issue any additional debt unless calculations were done that show that additional debt would not burden the City (this could be an issue if they insist on including the sewer plant expansion);
- f) Sun Trust had maintained a banking facility in our City for over 22 years and paid taxes to City each year; Hancock was out of Tallahassee;

Commissioner Nadeau stated the figures were close and he would be happy with either bid. Hancock would cost the City slightly less $\frac{1}{4}$ of 1% of the loan amount. Given that Sun Trust has a presence in our City and had been taxpayers and investors in our community for 22 years, it was well worth considering. Additionally, there was an extra burden on staff and the potential for additional interest expense with the 30 day advance notification to Hancock. The Hancock bid could be accepted with little discussion due to the cost factor. SunTrust would require more justification which the staff or City Attorney would explain.

Commissioner Dobkowski asked if we had a legal obligation to take the lowest bid and Attorney Landt stated no, but if you take the higher bid you would have to have rational reasons for doing so. The Commissioner stated she would like to take the Sun Trust proposal because it was a part of our community and has been for over 20 years. The Clerk stated the Ordinance and on Pg. 101 the Proposal stated the City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, waive technicalities, and award the proposal in the best interest of the City.

Attorney Landt stated there were differences in the proposals and one of them was the 30 days for prepayment there was a value to that 30 days of interest would come to 1/12th of annual interest on that sum of money and you anticipate selling part of property and paying off some of the balance. One restriction was in order to borrow money or make other loan you would have to do calculations and that could cost you significantly more than the differences between these two proposals; and the sewer plant project has not been funded yet. That was a significant impediment or potential impediment and Commissioner Dobkowski agreed with Attorney Landt.

Commissioner Goldman stated he did not like the City having to get permission from someone else to do what we have to do and having to get another financial study when we know that the PWD's project was pending. Commissioner Loar asked about the justification and the Attorney stated that they were not identical proposals one was cheaper but it had conditions which could make it more expensive. If the Commission was looking at having to take it because it was cheaper, that was not so because you were not comparing apples to apples; these two proposals were different.

Commissioner Dobkowski asked about #4 on Pg. 105 does that mean we would have to justify any additional debt to this bank and Attorney Landt stated you would have to go through the analysis they were demanding. Commissioner Nadeau stated that refers to #12 on the proposal from Hancock on Pg. 107 of the Agenda - that was called a debt service coverage ratio which was similar to personal debt coverage of income vs. payments. It prevents stretching out our cash flow so the payment would not be a negative for the City. Attorney Landt stated that results in the City having to incur significant professional fees because we know the PW plant would be significant dollars for the City.

Mayor Moore stated Hancock was guaranteeing a fixed interest rate for 60 days while Sun Trust was giving us 30 days and the Clerk stated the City's closing date was on or before March 1st.

Commissioner Goldman made a Motion to Approve SunTrust in light of issue #4, covenant not to issue any additional debt unless calculations were done; and issue #3, the 30 day advance notice for prepayments, in the Study and Commissioner Nadeau seconded the Motion.

On roll call vote, YES: Nadeau, Goldman, Dobkowski, Loar, Moore
The Motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Attorney Landt stated that at one of the last meetings the Mayor was approved to sign all the contract documents.

7. DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS

PWD Monroe – stated the survey for the 27 acres was in his office which had to be done before the closing.

IT. Coordinator Towne – Nothing at this time.

Chief Strickland – stated they had a new speed trailer and it was unique in that it totals the number of cars and breaks down their speed.

Clerk McKamey – discussed Governor Crist’s Proposed Tax Reforms which had 34 different bills submitted by February 14, 2007. The Tax and Budget Reform Commission per State Constitution was established every 20 years and reviews the tax issues. There were 25 appointments: Governor appointed 11 members; Speaker of the House and Senate President each appoint 11 and they have the authority to place proposed amendments on November 2008 General Election Ballot. Gov. Crist wants to hold a special election in 11/2007. This Commission was receiving information from the Property Tax Reform Committee which Gov. Bush initiated. The interim report was due on 2/15/07 and final report due on 0/21/07. The Senators and Representatives were having meetings throughout the state to receive input and she would keep the Commissioners up-to-date.

Attorney Landt – Nothing at this time.

Land Development Coordinator Shrum – At the last workshop, the issue of roads came up and the TPO got back to us with the estimate to four lane the 32 foot project, the cost was an additional \$9 million dollars which would make it be the most expensive project in the county per linear feet.

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Goldman – asked if the new speed trailer could be placed at the main entrance to Golf Park. The Commissioner stated it would tell us how fast the cars were moving through there and how many of them were residents in Golf Park. Mayor Moore suggested using it at Diamond Ridge and Coral Ridge as well.

Commissioner Goldman asked if the City was applying for any Florida Forever Grants because that cycle runs from 2/23 – 5/9. The Clerk stated a lot of preliminary work had to be done on what the City would be doing with the 27 acres so they decided to wait until next year before applying .

Commissioner Goldman asked the PWD about the traffic on C-25 and the dump and sod trucks pulling through the private property. The Commissioner stated he was standing there on the property and almost got run over. Chief Strickland stated if they were cutting across private property they would write tickets. Commissioner Goldman stated there was a “no truck sign” but it was one block off of C-25 so the truck drivers would not know until they were already on the road and something needs to be done about that.

Ginger Harbin, Sentry Storage, came forward and stated the truck drivers knowingly use the parking lot as a short cut through there and it was also used as a turn around; the trucks don’t go slowly through the parking lot and as a result right now it was almost non-existent.

Commissioner Nadeau stated he wanted to add to that discussion. He was down on 67th at Greg Smith’s auto shop and watched 13 dump trucks pass there in one hour which comes to over 100

trucks per day. We need to look at addressing the truck traffic problem within the City limits because they were using residential streets and those roads were not built for truck traffic. They need to use the major highways which were built for trucks.

Chief Strickland stated that Lt. Holland talked to the hauling company and they have to move 1.2 million cubic yards of dirt over to 135th. If you restrict traffic that would just divert them to another place. The Police Department had written several citations and continues to do so. They were going to use certain roads to get through and when you take them off one road, they go to another road and it could be worse than what it was right now. Mayor Moore asked the Chief if they had any accidents there and the Chief stated no accidents so far.

Mayor Moore asked to place the speed counter there to see how many dump trucks come through in a week. PWD Monroe stated what happened was DAB contractors got the contract to do the road. They have to move dirt from Candler Hill to the railroad crossing. When they work on the east side they go down C-25 to south of 441; when they work on the other side they come through Belleview to 301. The PWD stated that they could haul at night with officers directing them and that road was resurfaced a few years ago. Mr. Shrum stated that Commissioner Nadeau was correct in eight months those roads would be torn up.

Chief Strickland stated he would contact the contractor first and then report back to the Commission at the next meeting.

Commissioner Nadeau – stated the Florida Trail Association was holding this FL. Gateway Community's first trail meeting on Saturday, February 24th.

Commissioner Loar – stated she had a concern with the stop sign on 110th Street because there was drainage work being done close to the sign. PWD stated he was aware of the work being done.

Commissioner Dobkowski – stated the waste hauler the City uses was in arrears with the County in the amount of \$120,000. He does not have to dump at Marion County and if he goes to Lake County it would be a different fee and we would have to raise our prices again. The PWD stated that the Agreement was not in place yet and the hauler would have this resolved with the County shortly.

Mayor Moore – stated the WiFi workshop would be on 3/28/07 and the Legislative Day in Tallahassee was scheduled for 3/28/07 and a volunteer was needed to go and attend that session.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

ATTEST:

Sandi McKamey, MMC, CPM
City Clerk/Administrator