

## HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2009

**Mayor Sears** called the Town Council Meeting of February 23, 2009 to Order at 6:00 p.m.

**Cub Scout Troop No. 254** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson** led the invocation

**Present:** Mayor Sears, Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, Councilor Nebel and Councilor Ernest

**Absent:** Councilor Green

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Consideration and Approval of Amended State Traffic Records Grant in the Additional Amount of \$177 from Police Impact Fees**

**Town Traffic Engineer Wantanabe** gave background on this agenda.

*Councilor Nebel, seconded by Councilor Ernest, moved to approve the Amended State Traffic Records Grant in the Additional Amount of \$177 from Police Impact Fees. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**Update: Federal Stimulus Plan**

**Town Traffic Engineer Wantanabe** gave background on this item as said the projects need to be shovel ready and the smaller municipalities are permitted to piggy-back off the surrounding governments and the MPO. He further stated the Town should work with Lake County to get a project ready to submit.

**Consideration and Adoption of Town of Howey-in-the-Hills Purchasing Policy**

*Councilor Ernest, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, moved to approve the Purchasing Policy as amended. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**Consideration and Approval of Budget Amendment for Re-Write of Land Development Regulations in the Amount not to Exceed \$35,000, Account Number 1519311 with Funds Coming From the Reserve Account**

*Councilor Nebel, seconded by Councilor Ernest, moved to approve the Budget Amendment for Re-Write of Land Development Regulations in the Amount not to Exceed \$35,000, Account Number 1519311 with Funds Coming From the Reserve Account. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**Consideration and Approval of Budget Amendment for Unfunded Mandate of Preparation of a Five-Year Capital Improvements Program and Capital Improvements Element Update in the Amount of \$4,065, Account Number 1519311 with Funds Coming from the Reserve Account**

*Councilor Ernest, seconded by Councilor Nebel, moved to approve the Budget Amendment for Unfunded Mandate of Preparation of a Five-Year Capital Improvements Program and Capital Improvements Element Update in the Amount of \$4,065, Account Number 1519311 with Funds Coming from the Reserve Account. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**Consideration and Approval of Hiring of Seasonal Employee**

*Councilor Ernest, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, moved to approve the hiring of a seasonal employee with a not to exceed 85 working days. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**Consideration and Approval of Budget Amendment for Hiring of Seasonal Employee of \$9,000 Which Includes Federal Withholding, Social Security and Medicare From Account Numbers To Be Decided**

*Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilor Nebel, moved to approve the Budget Amendment for Hiring of Seasonal Employee of \$9,000 Which Includes Federal Withholding, Social Security and Medicare From Account Numbers To Be Decided. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**First Reading of Ordinance No. 2009-005, Relating to the Meetings, Voting and Officers of the Zoning Commission; Amending Section 48-3 of Chapter 48 of the Town's Code of Ordinances; Providing for Codification; Ratifying Unamended Code Sections; Providing for Severability; Providing for an Effective Date**

*Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson, seconded by Councilor Nebel, moved to bring Ordinance No. 2009-005 back to the March 9, 2009 Town Council Meeting. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.*

**First Reading of Ordinance No. 2009-006, Relating to Planned Unit Development District Regulations; Revising Article IV of the Land Development Regulations to Include Requirement Regarding Construction Plan Approval and to Provide a Time Limit to Commence Construction of Required Improvements; Providing for Applicability to Existing Planned Unit Developments; Repealing Conflicting Ordinances: Providing for Updates to the Land Development Regulations and Ratifying Unamended Provisions of the Land Development Regulations; Providing for Severability and Providing for an Effective Date**

**Mayor Sears** asked that this item be continued to the March 9, 2008 Town Council Meeting.

**Councilor Ernest**, seconded by **Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson**, moved to bring Ordinance No. 2009-005 back to the March 9, 2009 Town Council Meeting. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.

## **OLD BUSINESS - NONE**

## **MAYOR / TOWN COUNCIL REPORT**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson** 1) Met with Senator Alan Hays to discuss funding for the water project and it will be tough to get funding. Funding may be available for safe guards for water plants.

**Councilor Nebel** 1) said she handed out hand-outs that explain the process of the Water Alliance. She further stated the Water Alliance will be visioning to discuss the water pipe with regards to the newspaper article written by Lauren Ritchie.

**Councilor Ernest** 1) discussed grant information and the Lake County Economic Board is not getting anywhere.

**Mayor Sears** 1) said the boat dock project should be starting Thursday of this week and the Baffle Box project has started. The two projects are being funded by other sources. 2) will be bringing a proposal from B&H to update the website to be able to communicate 3) received a letter from Venezia and B&H Consultants, will be bringinh a Staff Report to the second meeting of the month.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Janice McLain spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project.
- Paul Crawley spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project.
- Alice Harrold spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project
- Letty Beucher spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project
- Glennys Barber spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project.
- Patti Sullivan spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project.
- Resident spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project.
- Resident spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project and said she would be interested in volunteering for the Town.
- Joy Lothrop spoke on the Lakeshore and E. Revels Road Project and numerous items.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson** spoke regarding the travel areas of the school buses.

**Councilor Nebel** noted that the school board has plans to build an elementary school and administrative offices. Discussion ensued.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Johnson** said Mrs. McLain mentioned making Lakeshore Blvd. a one-way street.

**ADJOURNMENT AT 7:34 P.M.**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chris Sears", written above a horizontal line.

**Chris Sears, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Brenda Brasher", written above a horizontal line.

**Brenda Brasher, CMC  
Town Clerk**