

**MINUTES OF THE HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD MARCH 12, 2012**

**Mayor Sears** called the Town Council Meeting of March 12, 2012 to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

**Councilor Ernest** led the invocation.

**Present: Mayor Sears, Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel, Councilor Ernest, Councilor Richardson, Councilor Hall, Town Attorney Blom-Ramos, Captain Thomas and Town Clerk Brasher.**

**CONSENT AGENDA – Only one motion needed to approve the Consent Agenda**  
**Minutes of the February 13, 2012 Town Council Meeting, Minutes of the February 27, 2012 Special Session and Minutes of the February 27, 2012 Work Session**

**Councilor Hall, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel, moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Consideration and Approval of Construction Monitoring Fee Proposal in the Amount of \$51,992.00 from B&H Consultants, Inc.**

**Councilor Richardson, seconded by Councilor Ernest, moved to approve the Construction Monitoring Fee Proposal in the amount of \$51,992 from B&H Consultants, Inc. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.**

**Consideration and Approval to Piggyback on Pasco County NCS Plus Cash Recovery System**

**Harve Platig** representative from NCSPlus, Inc. was present to give background.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel, seconded by Councilor Hall, moved to approve to piggyback on Pasco County NCSPlus Cash Recovery System. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.**

**Discussion: Spring Event - Howey Men's Club**

**Ed Williams**, President of the Howey Men's Club was present to give detailed background on the "Spring Time in Howey" event on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Councilor Ernest, seconded by Councilor Richardson, moved to approve the Spring Time in Howey event. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.**

**Should the NCS Plus Cash Recovery System Not be Approved, Consideration and Approval of Write-Offs in the Amount of \$1,066.75**

**No action was taken on this item due to approval of the NCSPlus Cash Recovery System.**

**Consideration and Approval of Public Records Request Policy**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel, seconded by Councilor Hall, moved to approve the Public**

Records Request Policy. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

**Planning & Zoning Discussion: Staff Report and Minutes from Planning & Zoning Commission**

- a. **Chapter 68, Section 68-5. Application Procedure for Business Tax Receipts**
- b. **Chapter 48, Section 48-3 E.(2) Zoning Commission**

**Mayor Sears** gave background.

**Councilor Ernest**, seconded by **Councilor Richardson**, moved to approve that Staff process "action only" minutes for the Planning & Zoning Commission. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

**Discussion: Resignation of Town Planner Shira**

**Mayor Sears** gave background.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel**-No comments

**Councilor Ernest** gave background about a citizen's faulty water meter. Discussion ensued.

**Councilor Richardson** discussed the newspaper recycle bin and the landscape project.

**Councilor Hall** said the golf cart ordinance should be ready and all Councilors should attend the Community Service Awards Dinner on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**MAYOR REPORT**

**Mayor Sears** gave an update on the following:

1. Safety measures have been put in place
2. Annual lake spraying will be held next week.
3. Public Works work product is being worked on.
4. Second meeting of the month will be mid-year budget review and LDC.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS-None**

**The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m**



Chris Sears, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



Brenda Brasher, CMC  
Town Clerk