

**MINUTES OF THE HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD JUNE 11, 2012**

**Mayor Sears** called the Town Council Meeting of June 11, 2012 to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Mayor Sears** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Councilor Ernest** led the Invocation.

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

**Absent:** Councilor Hall - excused

**CONSENT AGENDA – Only one motion needed to approve the Consent Agenda**  
Minutes of the May 7, 2012 Work Session, May 10, 2012 Town Council Work Session, May 14, 2012 Town Council Meeting and May 17, 2012 Special Session.

**Councilor Ernest, seconded by Councilor Richardson, moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Pavement Assessment and Asphalt Overlay**

**Traffic Engineer Watanabe** presented a detailed report.

**Councilor Ernest, seconded by Councilor Richardson, moved to authorize up to 14 geotechnical test borings for Laurel St., Cypress Ave., Cedar St., Oak St., Palmetto Ave., Lakeview Dr., Marilyn Ave., end of Dixie Dr., and N. Lakeshore Blvd. and to go with Traffic Engineer Watanabe and Mayor Sears recommendation and bring the item back to the next Town Council Meeting. Motion carried 4-0 with a roll call vote.**

**Consideration and Approval of Library Board Recommendation to Hire Library Director**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel, seconded by Councilor Richardson, moved to hire Barbara Perry as the Library Director. Motion carried 40-0 with a roll call vote.**

**Consideration and Approval of Resolution No. 2012-004, Amending Town's Personnel Policy**

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel moved to adopt Resolution No. 2012-004. Motion died due to a lack of a second.**

**Consideration and Approval to Cancel June 25, 2012 Town Council Meeting**

*It was the consensus of the Town Council not to cancel the June 25 Town Council Meeting.*

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilor Ernest** asked why there are so many loopholes in the LDC when the Planning and Zoning Commission reviewed it. He also asked what the Town can do to enforce the LDC and Code violations. Discussion ensued.

**Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel** deferred her questions to Police Chief Robbins. **Police Chief Robbins** asked if the Town was going to adopt an Ordinance regarding parking of boats and RV's and if so, how will it be enforced.

*It was the consensus of the Town Council for this item to be on the June 25<sup>th</sup> Town Council agenda.*

**Councilor Richardson** said he met with Parks and Recreation Chairman Deschenes regarding the plan for Central Park and the information will be ready for the June 25<sup>th</sup> agenda.

### **MAYOR REPORT**

**Mayor Sears** reported the following:

1. The Department Directors have been notified to have their budgets ready by the end of June.
2. The Utility Tax will be moved from the General Fund to the Water Fund.
3. Budget Work Sessions will be held in July.
4. The Town Council will be provided a cd with the proposed Personnel Policy on it.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Rick Abbott** voiced his concerns with the conditions of the drainage grate at the end of Palmetto Ave.

**Hugh Douthit** voiced his concerns with the property values due to residents parking vehicles and recreational vehicles in their front yards.

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Chris Sears, Mayor

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Brenda Brasher, CMC  
Town Clerk