



Lake Park Town Commission, Florida

Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

Commission Chamber, Town Hall, 535 Park Avenue, Lake Park, FL 33403

February 07, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Roger Michaud
Kimberly Glas-Castro
Mary Beth Taylor
Judith Thomas
Vacant
John D'Agostino
Thomas J. Baird, Esq.
Vivian Mendez, MMC

Mayor
Vice-Mayor
Commissioner
Commissioner
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Town Manager
Town Attorney
Town Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

6:34 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor Roger Michaud
Vice-Mayor Kimberly Glas-Castro
Commissioner Mary-Beth Taylor
Commissioner Judith Thomas

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Mayor Michaud

SPECIAL PRESENTATION/REPORT:

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENT:

This time is provided for addressing items that do not appear on the Agenda. Please complete a comment card and provide it to the Town Clerk so speakers may be announced. Please remember comments are limited to a TOTAL of three minutes.

-Mr. Michael Hensely introduced himself and explained that he was running for the position of Commissioner.

TOWN ATTORNEY, TOWN MANAGER, COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Town Attorney Baird requested that Attorney Keith Davis be authorized to represent the Commission at the Special Call Commission Meeting of February 27, 2024 because he will be representing staff at that meeting. The Commission came to consensus to allow Attorney Davis to represent the Commission at the meeting.

Town Manager D'Agostino presented his comments via Exhibit A. He asked the Commission to schedule an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Community Workshop for 6:00 P.M. on the dates indicated. The Commission came to consensus to hold the meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. He stated that residents are requesting the Town loosen the boat regulations to allow one boat and trailer in front yard similar to allowance for commercial vehicles and asked if the Commission would be interested in allowing this. The Commission had various concerns with this request. Town Manager D'Agostino agreed to provide the Commission with a presentation that would include detailed restrictions and allowances. Community Development Director Nadia DiTommaso provided a breakdown of the current code allowances that allow for two recreational vehicles. Commissioner Thomas does not feel that it would look very good to have a boat and trailer parked in front of a residence. Commissioner Taylor feels that we cannot limit the new regulation to just boats, but would have to include all recreational vehicles.

Commissioner Thomas asked about the trash receptacles in the bus stop areas and who was responsible for collecting the trash because it is getting out of hand. Town Manager D'Agostino stated he believes it is Public Work's responsibility. She also expressed sadness that the tree she asked Public Works to plant in Blakely Park was damaged. She has asked that another tree, that she purchases, be planted. She was disappointed by the amount of shopping carts that are scattered around Town. Town Manager D'Agostino explained the ongoing struggles with the store management to collect the carts and the Town is scheduling nuisance hearings in March 2024.

Commissioner Thomas stated that the Army Reserve Center could do a better job maintaining their property.

Commissioner Taylor questioned the traffic enforcement on Park Avenue. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) Captain Thomas Gendreau explained that over 200 citations were issued last year on Park Avenue. Town Manager D'Agostino explained some possible implementation of various potential enforcement efforts that will be brought back before the Commission over the next few months.

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro felt that the Town did well in Tallahassee last week.

Mayor Michaud agreed with that statement as well.

CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under this item are considered routine and action will be taken by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Commissioner or person so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. Any person wishing to speak on an agenda item is asked to complete a public comment card located on either side of the Chambers and given to the Town Clerk. Cards must be submitted before the item is discussed.

Commissioner Thomas asked that the meeting minutes be amended to reflect that the ground breaking ceremony was for the Roosevelt Full Service Center.

Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda as amended by Commissioner Thomas, Seconded by Commissioner Taylor.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Thomas.

1. January 17, 2024 Regular Commission Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC HEARING(S) - ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING:

NONE

PUBLIC HEARING(S) - ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING:

2. Ordinance 01-2024 Amending Town Code Section 68-2 and 68-3 of Chapter 68 to Provide for Regulations Associated with Temporary Storage Containers.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 68, SECTIONS 68-2 AND 68-3. PERTAINING TO TEMPORARY STORAGE CONTAINERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL LAWS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Manager D'Agostino explained the item. Community Development Director DiTommaso explained the revisions in the Ordinance highlighted in blue (Exhibit B) and clarified the times during which vehicles could be parked on a swale.

Commissioner Thomas asked about items stored under a car port other than vehicles. Community Development Director DiTommaso explained that if the items are visible and they were in place for more than 90 days then it would be a violation according to the language in the Ordinance. Commissioner Thomas asked for a definition of “junk” as stated in the Ordinance. Community Development Director DiTommaso stated there were subsections where the language was more specific. She stated they could use another term instead of junk if need be.

Motion was made to approve Ordinance 01-2024 on second reading by Commissioner Thomas, Seconded by Commissioner Taylor.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro, Commissioner Taylor, Commissioner Thomas.

Town Attorney Baird read the Ordinance by title only.

NEW BUSINESS:

3. 1100 2nd Court - Property Updates

Town Manager D'Agostino provided an update (Exhibit C). Community Development Director DiTommaso explained that their application is complete, the permit is in process and the review has been assigned. Commissioner Thomas asked Town Attorney Baird how far the Town can continue to make extensions without violating the original contract. Town Attorney Baird advised that there had been no deviation from the contract in regards to the terms of sale and the seller's responsibilities. She asked if a bond of surety would be appropriate. Town Attorney Baird advised that there is no

surety on the contract. Commissioner Thomas asked if the property could be maintained during the construction process. Community Development Director DiTommaso advised that there is an open code case currently with several issues that they are aware of and plan to fix once they start construction. Commissioner Thomas asked when the 5 year clock would start running. Community Development Director DiTommaso stated the 5 year clock starts running once they are issued a certificate of occupancy.

4. Coastal Middle and High School Waiver Requests

Town Manager D'Agostino provided a summary of the request. (Exhibit D). The Commission discussed. Motion made to waive all fees made by Commissioner Taylor, Seconded by Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro.

Voting Yea: Mayor Michaud, Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro, Commissioner Taylor.

Voting Nay: Commissioner Thomas

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Commissioner Taylor would like an update on the property on 754 Park Avenue, next to the Gastropub.

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro requests a Proclamation for National Bicycle Month for March.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn made by Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro, Seconded by Commissioner Taylor.

Meeting Adjourned 7:55 P.M.

FUTURE MEETING DATE: Next Scheduled Regular Commission Meeting will be held on February 21, 2024.

Mayor Roger D. Michaud

Town Seal

Vivian Mendez, Town Clerk

Laura Weidgans, Deputy Town Clerk

Approved on this _____ of _____, 2024