MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FL
FEBRUARY 25, 1997

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor William D. Arthur called the meeting to order in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1065 Ridgewood Avenue at 7:30 p.m..

Answering roll call were Mayor Arthur, Councilman Arthur Byrnes, Councilman J. D. Mellette, Councilman Shirley Heyman and Councilman Jim Elliott.

Also attending were City Manager Donald Lusk, City Attorney Edward Simpson, and Deputy City Clerk Sue W. Blackwell.

2. INVOCATION

The Invocation was given by Councilman Byrnes.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Minutes
Special Council Meeting - February 5, 1997
Regular Meeting - February 11, 1997
Joint Meeting/Charter Review - February 11, 1997

Councilman Jim Elliott moved to APPROVE the Consent Agenda being seconded by Councilman J. E. Mellette. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

5. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 2452 - AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 114-814, 58-102, 58-103 AND SECTIONS 26-63 THROUGH 26-67 ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE TO ABATE A NUISANCE BY DEMOLITION (Second Reading)

City Attorney Simpson read the ordinance by title on second reading.

Councilman Heyman moved to ADOPT the ordinance on second reading being seconded by Councilman Elliott. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on the following roll call:

Heyman, yes; Elliott, yes; Byrnes, yes; Mellette, yes; Arthur, yes.

7. ORDINANCE NO. 2453 – AMENDS SECTIONS 13, 19, 144, 146, 147, 148, 149 AND 151 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL TO REFLECT THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION (First Reading)

City Attorney Simpson read the ordinance by title on first reading.

Councilman Mellette moved to APPROVE the ordinance on first reading being seconded by Councilman Heyman. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on the following roll call:

Mellette, yes; Heyman, yes; Elliott, yes; Byrnes, yes; Arthur, yes.

8. REQUEST APPROVAL TO PURCHASE TWO (2) VEHICLES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

City Manager Lusk said he is recommending the purchase of two Jeeps. He told Council these vehicles hold up better than regular cars and hold their value better. He said the Chief agrees this is the best choice of what is available. This is a budgeted expenditure.

Councilman Mellette moved to APPROVE the request being seconded by Councilman Elliott. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

9. REQUEST APPROVAL TO EXPEND LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS FOR ACCREDITATION FEE

The accreditation fee is $500 but with the discount the actual expenditure will be $425.

Councilman HEYMAN moved to approve the expenditure being seconded by Councilman Elliott. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

10. REQUEST APPROVAL OF 1997 CDBG BUDGETED PROJECTS

Mr. Lusk briefly explained staff is asking for the funds to be budgeted for stormwater/drainage improvements and for sidewalks. He also told Council the funding level has dropped from $119,320 to $79,859 through the year 2001. He said this proposed budget did not contain an appropriation for My Children First as it did last year.

Mrs. Heyman said she would like to see that funding continued. However, there was no other support forthcoming for that proposal.

Councilman Mellette moved to APPROVE the proposed budget being seconded by Councilman Byrnes. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

11. REQUEST APPROVAL OF FINAL CHANGE ORDER TO McMAHAN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS

Mr. Lusk told Council this change order number three is a savings of $14,806. *Councilman Byrnes moved to APPROVE the change order being seconded by Councilman Elliott.* The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

12. RESOLUTION 97-R-06 ADOPTING GUIDELINES FOR AD VALOREM TAX ABATEMENT

City Attorney Simpson read:

RESOLUTION NO. 97-R-06
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Big John, 330 Mason Avenue asked if this went before the Redevelopment Board. Mr. Lusk said it did not but that it is along the lines as they discussed earlier.

Councilman Mellette moved to ADOPT the resolution being seconded by Councilman Elliott. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on the following roll call:

Mellette, yes; Elliott, yes; Byrnes, yes; Heyman, yes; Arthur.

13. REQUEST APPROVAL TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN VEHICLES

Mr. Lusk said the City had taken sealed bids on the 1966 Chevy truck and the 1981 Chevy van. The highest bids were $261 for the truck and $700 for the van. *Councilman Heyman moved to ACCEPT the highest bids as recommended being seconded by Councilman Mellette.* The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

14. ORDINANCE NO. 2454 AMENDS LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO INCLUDE BLOOD BANKS AS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION IN I-2 HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS

City Attorney Simpson red:

ORDINANCE NO. 2454
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2352, THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; REVISING SECTION 2.2 TO INCLUDE A DEFINITION FOR "BLOOD BANKS"; REVISING SECTIONS 5.5.13 (B-1 DISTRICT REGULATIONS), 5.5.16 (B-4 DISTRICT REGULATIONS), 5.5.17 (B-5 DISTRICT REGULATIONS), AND 5.5.18 (B-6 DISTRICT REGULATIONS) TO PROHIBIT BLOOD BANKS; REVISING SECTION 5.5.20 (I-2 ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS) TO PERMIT BLOOD BANKS AS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION; REVISING SECTION 5.6.1 (SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS) TO REQUIRE CERTAIN CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL OF BLOOD BANKS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL LAWS OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE EFFECT.

City Planner Bob Keeth addressed the Council briefly regarding this recommendation from the Board of Planning and Appeals. The proposed ordinance defines "blood bank" , prohibits them in certain zoning classifications, and allows them as a Special Exception in I-2. Code Administrator Tim Harbuck showed Council a map with all the zoning districts on it.

Following discussion on various appropriate zones, *Councilman Mellette moved to APPROVE the ordinance on first reading being seconded by Councilman Byrnes.* The motion CARRIED 5-0 on the following roll call:

Mellette, yes; Byrnes, yes; Heyman, yes; Elliott, yes; Arthur, yes.

15. EMERGENCY REQUEST TO RELOCATE WATER MAIN - 10TH STREET RAILROAD CROSSING

Mr. Lusk explained when the contractor started work on the crossing, they found the water main was in the way and would have to be relocated. He told Council this was not something that could have been foreseen and recommended approving the funding for the work and having Upham proceed.

Councilman Byrnes moved to APPROVE the request being seconded by Councilman Elliott. The motion CARRIED 4-1 with Mayor Arthur voting no.

16. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

A. Discussion on City wide clean up days

City Manager Lusk said the annual clean up will be the first two full weeks of April.

B. Set date for Annual Auction

Mr. Lusk asked Council to set the annual auction on the 19th of April. He said the Boys and Girls Club wants to hold a fund raiser at the same time. *Councilman Byrnes moved to set the annual auction on the 19th of April as requested being seconded by Councilman Elliott.* The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

C. Holly Hill Welcome Sign - Mason Avenue at Bridge

Mr. Lusk said the Sign Committee has decided they do not want the pond fenced where the sign will be located so the City will be responsible for engineering costs to change the slope of the pond. The cost will not exceed $3,500.

Councilman Heyman moved to APPROVE the request being seconded by Councilman Mellette. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

D. Resignation from Beautification Board -Tamara Phillips

Councilman Heyman moved to ACCEPT Mrs. Tamara Phillips resignation being seconded by Councilman Mellette. The motion CARRIED 5-0 on roll call.

17. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY

Mr. Simpson reported he attended the Charter Review Meeting last evening where they were interviewing the City Manager regarding his duties. He said he thought the Committee was going to do a good job.

18. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Councilman Byrnes reminded the citizens the Council always needs names of people willing to serve on Boards.

Councilman Heyman thanked Evelyn Lynn for the $200 for the kids.

Mayor Arthur reminded everyone of the Workshop Meeting immediately following this meeting.

19. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Council so the meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:11 p.m.

William D. Arthur, Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk-Manager