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SPECIAL EMERGENCY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF HOLLY HILL, FLORIDA
AUGUST 17, 2004**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call

Mayor William Arthur called the meeting to order in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 1065 Ridgewood Avenue at approximately 8:15 a.m. Attending with Mayor Arthur were Commissioners Arthur Byrnes, Gilles Blais, Lou Schmitt, and Roland Via.

Also attending were City Manager Joe Forte and City Clerk Jeaneen Clauss. Police Commander Mark Barker arrived at approximately 8:25 a.m.

2. RESOLUTION 2004-R-45, DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

Mr. Forte read by short title:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HOLLY HILL, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR HURRICANE CHARLEY, AUGUST 13-14TH, 2004; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

*Commissioner Via moved to **APPROVE** Resolution 2004-R-45, seconded by Commissioner Byrnes.*

The Commission discussed some of the details of this resolution taken from the City of Port Orange and modified it to include the actual dates of the Hurricane, August 13th and 14th, and to include verification that this resolution has caused extensive damage within the City. A question was raised as to whether they had done this after previous hurricanes. They had passed resolutions similar to this but not specifically like this one, which is part of the Federal Emergency Management Act funding requirements.

The motion **CARRIED** 5-0 on roll call: Via – yes, Byrnes – yes, Schmitt – Yes, Blais – Yes, Arthur – yes.

3. COMMENTS

Staff is taking steps to provide a more expedient process or exemption for tree removal and roof permits.

Structures previously grandfathered-in that were destroyed will not be able to be replaced without Commission approval.

Scam artists are prevalent and the City is trying to get the word out to only use licensed contractors – but there will be some people who try to save money and that is risky for them and unauthorized by the City.

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Waste Management will provide a thirty day debris removal period.

Unauthorized persons were in Holly Forest over the weekend picking up aluminum (which they can sell) and stating they had a contract with the City.

Inquiry was made as to whether we could provide some manpower resources to the West Coast, who sustained much more damage than we did. Mr. Forte explained that we are all under a Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement and the State will call in resources from the unaffected areas of the State.

A suggestion was made that since we do not currently have any generators for lift stations, we may want to get some. We are currently borrowing one large one from DeLand.

Mr. Forte provided the most recent status update, which is that half of Bishops Glenn got power last night. Law Enforcement are patrolling the City in four divisions to better watch the neighborhoods. Power is expected to be back Citywide by midnight Wednesday.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting officially adjourned at approximately 8:45 a.m.

City of Holly Hill

William D. Arthur, Mayor

Attest:

Jeaneen P. Clauss, City Clerk