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TOWN OF ARCADIA LAKES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
April 5, 2012

The Arcadia Lakes Council meeting was held Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall Conference Room, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDING were Mayor Richard Thomas; Mayor Pro tem Rusty Onley; Council members: Tom Clark and Linda Jackson; Attorney Charles Cook; Town Clerk Christine Murphy and Barbara Covington; CAT Deputy *Margaret Fisher and Region Two Captain Cole Porter*; Town Residents: John and Anita Parker, Frannie Larsen, Bernie Gaudi, Steve Brown, and Peter Chesney.

DEPUTY'S REPORT: Captain Porter reported that there had been a burglary at 155 Arcadia Springs Circle (which is Barbara Covington's residence.) Credit card fraud was reported at 6616 Arcadia Woods Road; Mayor Thomas said there was a dark red vehicle parked in his neighbor's driveway, that sped off when the neighbor came out to confront him. The license plate was from a truck that had been turned in in 2010. Mayor Thomas reminded everyone to call 911 for anything suspicious. Mrs. Parker said the same dark red vehicle had come down their street on Buckfield, and Forest Acres Police had come out. Mr. Parker said it was A Cadillac, with license tag number FYX 889. Captain Porter said there had been some burglaries in the trailer park near Arcadia Lakes. Deputy Fisher reported that they were looking for a green Ford Focus with a Burgandy bumper, that was involved in some home burglaries, with three Black Males driving around in it. Beware of scams on Craig's list; Don't take checks, only cash. Numerous reports from all over Richland County are to look out for the Able family, who pave driveways, paint etc. And go door to door looking for jobs, and asking for money up front. They *don't do the work, or do a lousy job and disappear*, Captain Porter said. Deputy Fisher reported that the speed Spy sign on Arcadia Lakes Drive, showed the maximum speed was 64 mph, with 472 vehicles out of 52,853 going above the speed limit. Fifty per cent were driving about 29mph, Deputy Fisher reported.

Town Council member Linda Jackson presented CAT Deputy Margaret Fisher with photos of her and Richland County Mounted Patrol Unit Horse she keeps on her farm, along with 16 others and a Camel. The picture and article were in the "Columbia Star."

MARCH 1, 2012 MINUTES: Mayor Thomas asked if there were any corrections, deletions or changes to the March 1<sup>st</sup> minutes. Councilman Clark moved that the Minutes be accepted as received; Mayor Pro Tem Onley seconded the motion, which was approved.

**GARBAGE SERVICE:** Councilman Tom Clark reported that there had been complaints concerning yard debris pickup. The garbage contract states that 65 gallon containers may be used; the Town code states 32 gallon containers may be used, he said. Ronnie Yandle said that he can pick up a lot more, and in less time, when debris is placed in bags, or at least placed in containers. Discussion was held about what he can pick up.

**COG'S CITIZENS QUESTIONNAIRE:** Mayor Thomas reported that Central Midlands Council of Government will be sending out a survey to all the residents, which supplements the studies done by the COG. The questionnaire asks for additional information and would like for them to be returned to the COG by April 20<sup>th</sup>. After simulating and accumulating all of the information coming back from the residents, the COG will hold another planning session, and will go over what they found. Four names will be drawn (one per family), for a \$30 dinner from Zoe's.

**FINANCIAL MONTHLY SPREAD SHEET:** Barbara Covington distributed and explained the March Financial Report to council. Ms. Covington said we are going on line, which will make the figures more available, rather than waiting for bank statements. Mayor Thomas said the report showed that we were \$14,299 under budget at the present time.

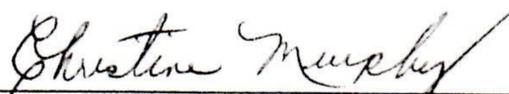
**McGREGOR REPORT:** The Six Month report for year ending December, 2011 was reviewed.

**TOWN PICNIC** is May 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 'til 7:00 at the Tree of Life Temple Parking Lot; Inside if inclement weather. Lizard's Thicket will be catering; "Slap Wore Out" will be furnishing the music. Bring Salad or Dessert.

**REUNION SUBDIVISION:** Attorney Charles Cook reported that Reunion Subdivision on Trenholm Road, presents a safety hazard with the fence not being completed around their detention pond, which maintains water all the time. Mayor Thomas asked Attorney Cook to draft a letter to the developer, Don Sanders, requesting that he complete the fence right away.

**ROPER POND:** Mrs. Linda Jackson reported that oral arguments for the Roper Pond Case will be heard in the Court of Appeals May 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:40 a.m., located on Sumter Street. She advised anyone interested in coming, to be there by 10:30 since it is a very small courtroom, and will probably be filled up with the petitioners.

Mrs. Larsen said information should be sent out to all residents about the Roper Pond Case. Mrs. Jackson said the Court of Appeals hearing will be put on the web site. Also, any contributions by CONTRIBUTORS, paid to SCLP, are tax deductible.

  
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Christine Murphy, Town Clerk