

TOWN OF ARCADIA LAKES
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2012

The Arcadia Lakes Town Council was held on September 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall Conference Room.

ATTENDING were Mayor Richard Thomas; Council members: Tom Clark, Linda Jackson, and Mark Robertson. Town Clerk Christine Murphy, and Barbara Covington. Town Residents: Peggy and Bill Smith, George Geckle, *Truman Fallaw, Bernie Gaudi, Steve Brown, Gary and Noeni Cadle, Joan Jowers, Frannie and Bob Larsen, and Peter Chesney.*

MINUTES: - August 2, 2012: Mayor Thomas asked if there were corrections or additions to the September 12th minutes. Ms. Jackson said there was a blank on page 3 where Arcadia Woods Lake empties into ___ lake. After discussion, council said to add "another" lake in the blank. Ms. Jackson moved that the minutes be approved with the change; Minutes were approved.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT: Councilman Mark Robertson presented Council the unaudited August Financial Report. He said he had been over the report with Barbara Covington, and that none of the variances were a problem. After discussion, Mr. Robertson said that the income had exceeded budget by \$41,528.00.

SIX MONTH AUDIT (January through June, 2011): After review and discussion, Barbara Covington was asked to meet with CPA Phil Betette about discrepancies in the Audit report.

COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING: Mayor Thomas reported that Council will have a planning session Saturday, Sept. 29th from 10:00 til 2:00 at MASC. The public is invited, *but will have no input. Scott Slatton, MASC Field Rep., will facilitate the meeting.* Wayne Shuler, COG representative, will be there to get information from council for The Comprehensive Plan. Councilman Robertson said he would like for all council Members to have the same materials in advance. The outcome of the meeting will be A Planning Document.

WEBSITE: Councilman Clark reported that he and his committee went through several website vendors, from \$4,800.00 to 39,000. After extensive research, the committee has recommended Julie Prickett, an independent web site designer, who has the type personality that can work with the Town, and was next to the lowest bidder. This would be a newly designed web site, with larger/easier to read home page, and user friendly, Mr. Clark said. After discussion, Ms. Jackson recommended that Ms. Prickett come to the next council meeting.

ARCADIA WOODS LAKE DAM: Ms. Jackson reported that the Arcadia Woods Lake homeowners were ordered by DHEC to drain the lake; due to the eroding condition of the dam on Arcadia Lakes Drive. Additional rainfall has been a problem. Peggy Smith, president of the Lake Association, said that the water has been drained to the dirt at the spillway. There will always be some water in the lake, since it is the dumping ground for 92 acres, Ms. Smith said. Mayor Thomas said that DHEC wants a new design on the spillway. Mosquito Control spraying has been requested for the lakebed area, Christine said. *She said she will check on it.*

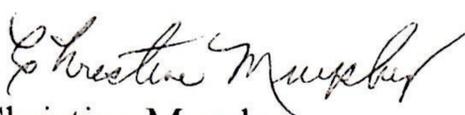
BURNSIDE PROPERTY: Christine reported that Mr. Burnside said that the bank is working on an appraisal on the lot on Arcadia Lakes Drive and Formosa.

MINUTES: Mr. Bernie Gaudi said that the June minutes were the last ones posted on The website. He said he had just gotten a copy of the July minutes, which he hasn't read thoroughly. Bernie said he doesn't understand why it takes so long to get minutes posted, and he thinks the citizens should be more informed. Mayor Thomas said that minutes can only be published after they have been approved by council; which is always at the following council meeting, which make them official. Mr. Gaudi said he made a plea that council should be involved in the dam repairs. He said he had made a formal plea also to get the speed sign fixed/replaced for one that would show traffic coming from both directions. He said that has not been done. He said he has seen very little action by council, as far as traffic on Arcadia Lakes Drive is concerned. Mayor Thomas said they have to rely on what the Sheriff's Department reports; which is that there appears not to be excessive speeding on the road at this time.

Mr. Robertson said we don't have verbatim minutes.

GARY CADLE said the Retention Pond at Reunion Subdivision is full of mosquitos, *He said he had contacted the Vector Control. Mr. Cadle said the bushes need to be trimmed along Ashworth Place, that are crowding the sidewalk. Also, nothing has been done at the intersection of Arcadia Lakes Drive and Trenholm Road, where he has moved his fence back.* Ms. Jackson said she would make a call to DOT.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.


Christine Murphy
Town Clerk