

TOWN OF ARCADIA LAKES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 2, 2017

Town Council of Arcadia Lakes met Thursday, February 2, 2017 at 6:00 PM, in the Town Hall Conference Room.

Mayor Huguley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDING were Mayor Mark Huguley; Mayor Pro tem Don Davis; Council members: Peter Chesney, Linda Jackson, and Michael Smith. Also attending were Attorney Charles Cook; Town Clerk Christine Murphy; Town residents: Bernie Gaudi, Tom Juran, Fred Myhrer, Sevilla Jenny, and George Geckle and Shelley Smith.

DEPUTY'S REPORT: CAT Deputy Chris Mastrianni reported that there had been numerous calls about suspicious vehicles in Arcadia Lakes. Also, several sheds had been broken into, with yard equipment, power washers, chain saws, etc. being stolen. Also, several car break-ins had occurred. One suspicious vehicle was a RAV 4, beige or gold, parked in the area, the time of the thefts. Deputy Mastrianni asked that anything suspicious, such as someone walking or cruising through the town, checking out sheds, etc., call 911.

The Speed Display sign, requested at the last meeting, had been put up on Trenholm Road for a few days; now radar is supposed to be used to give speeding tickets, Mayor Huguley said.

JANUARY MINUTES: Mayor Pro Tem Don Davis moved that the January minutes be approved as received; Mr. Chesney seconded the motion, which was approved.

TREE PERMITS: Councilman Michael Smith said he would like for residents to call ahead for Tree Permits, and not wait until the tree cutter is at their house. Mayor Huguley said the Tree Permit Application is on the website now.

FENCE MAINTENANCE: Mayor Huguley said he had sent copies of a draft ordinance for fence maintenance to the council members. After discussion, Mayor Huguley moved to have fence maintenance draft shared with the Beautification Committee for their input. If council felt appropriate, it would be shared with the Planning Commission as well, and begin getting feedback on what we might do in this regard. Mayor Huguley said that if we move to have a fresh ordinance, Mr. Cook recommended that in the course of the two readings, a public hearing should be held for residents to comment on, council to review it and the committee to comment on. Mayor Huguley said that if we move to have a fresh ordinance, Mr. Cook recommended that in the course of the two readings, a public hearing should be held for residents to comment on, council to review it, and the committee to comment on. Mayor Huguley moved that the draft be referred to the Beautification Committee for further consideration. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, which was approved. Mayor Huguley also moved that the draft be referred to the Planning Commission for their input. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, which was approved.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE: Mr. Chesney reported that the Beautification Committee hasn't met, but have been quite busy.

CARY LAKE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION. Mr. Chesney reported that the Homeowner's Association had met Monday night and had received a letter from the Small Business Association concerning the Ogee dam and \$100,000 in seed money. Construction of the new dam will start in March. There will be a stand alone bridge. The dam can be an Ogee, which is a vertical wall with a 15 ft. gate on the back back side, so the lake can be drained in a matter of hours rather than days, if necessary..

Mr. Chesney reported that a \$10,000 check had been received from Palmetto Pride Grant. The water has been ordered for the third flower bed (by Mr. Tint), which should take six to eight weeks. Plans have been submitted for DOT's approval ,since it is in their right-of-way. Mr. Chesney said he had contacted SCE&G about running power lines underground since it is in their rite-of-way.

FENCING: Mr. Chesney said he met again with SCE&G to find out who owns the 780 ft. of easement with a rusting fence on Trenholm Road, that runs along with the wooden fence on Cary Lane. SCE&G confirmed it was their right-of-way, but the home owners would have to agree to take it down. All but two of the homeowners have agreed to have it removed.

TOWN ENTRANCE SIGNS: Mr. Chesney reported that the large entrance signs need to be re-painted. The Beautification committee would like to have the town seal re-designed, he said. Discussion was held. Further discussion will be held at another time.

CAMERAS: Town resident, Savilla Jenny, asked council if they would consider cameras, to help control The crime rate in Arcadia Lakes. Mayor Huguley said they had done a good bit of research with the Previous council. The cost, as well as privacy concerns for some residents were an issue. Mr. Chesney said they had tried out several cameras for Sandy shore Road, and found it was difficult to pick up a license tag with the camera. Mayor Huguley said he is a big advocate of cameras, and it will be brought up again.

FORMOSA and ARCADIA LAKES DRIVE: Council approved a Resolution, thanking Marion Burnside for donating the small lot on the corner of Arcadia Lakes Drive and Formosa. Mayor Huguley said he would like to see consideration from the Planning Commission. Attorney Cook said the Resolution needed to be changed to read Marion Burnside and family and needs to be re-signed by council members. A sign is needed to make clear that trespassing is prohibited, and no trespassing is allowed during any hours of darkness: Discussion was held.

SCDOT ARCADIA LAKES DRIVE: A letter from DOT, in answer to his letter, regarding plans to reopen Arcadia Lakes Drive, was read by Mayor Huguley. They said they had no plans to restore the road, due to the fact that the private dam has not been repaired. Anyone interested in a copy of the letter can submit a FOI (Freedom of Information) letter to the town clerk.

ARCADIA WOODS ROAD; Tom Juran, resident of Arcadia Woods Road said he is tired of all the traffic on his road, and would like for the town to do something about the dam so the road would re-open. Mayor Huguley explained that the town did not own the dam or the road. The Arcadia Woods Lake Association owns the dam and would have to repair/replace the dam before DOT would open Acadia Lakes Drive.

COUNCIL WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Council returned to public session after coming out of Executive Session. Council had taken no action In Executive Session, and had no report to make at the time.

Savilla Jenny, the only remaining resident, said she would like for Cameras to be installed at the intersection of Arcadia Springs Circle and Arcadia Lakes Drive, as well as Trenholm and Arcadia Lakes Drive. Discussion was held.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Christine Murphy, Town Clerk