

**TOWN OF ARCADIA LAKES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 13, 2017**

Town Council of Arcadia Lakes met on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall Conference Room. Mayor Huguley opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDING were Mayor Huguley: Mayor Pro tem Don Davis; Council members; Council members: Peter Chesney, Linda Jackson, and Michael Smith. Also attending were Town Attorney Charles Cook, and Town Clerk Christine Murphy. Town residents attending were Bernie Gaudi and Larry Funderburk.

DEPUTY'S REPORT: Lt. Chris Duke reported for CAT Deputy Chris Mastrianni, who was in New York working with the Producers of "Live PD" at the time. Deputy Duke reported that complaints had been received about loud noise at 4514 Sylvan Drive; Credit Card Fraud report from Arcadia Springs Circle, and lost pistol, in gray pouch, around the Arcadia Woods, Arcadia Lakes Drive and Trenholm Road area.

JUNE MINUTES: Mayor Huguley asked if there were any corrections or additions to the June 1<sup>st</sup> minutes. He said that on page 2 under Tree Permit Issues, the last paragraph should have added in the last sentence after any more trees, "provided attorney Cook finds such action, if any, appropriate." Minutes were approved, with addition.

ELECTION ORDINANCE: Mayor Huguley moved that the Election Dates Ordinance for two council seats and Mayor For November 7, 2017 be approved by Ordinance for first reading, which was unanimously approved.

TREE PERMITS: Councilman Mike Smith reported that there were two pending incidents of trees cut down without a permit. There were ten to twelve trees at 6711 Skii Lane, and one who presented a permit after it was cut down, on Arcadia Springs Circle.. After discussion, Mayor Huguley moved that a fine of \$2500 be charged to the resident on Skii Lane, and \$500 for the one tree on Arcadia Springs Circle. It will also be required that homeowners post copy of approved permit for trees to be removed. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, which was approved.

BEAUTIFICATION: Councilman Chesney presented pictures of the flower beds, and areas of the town to be beautified, including entrance signs that need to be refurbished. He had received a quote for \$8,000 to refurbish the signs. A picture of the rusted double fencing was shown on Page 3 of Mr. Chesney's report, with an illegal gate opening to the sidewalk. Two of the four homeowners the fence backs up to, have agreed to have it removed. Two homeowners did not agree to having the fence removed. Several other areas, Mr., Chesney pointed out, need to be cleaned up; including two houses under renovation on Arcadia Woods Road.

Mayor Huguley read the Roper Pond Lawsuit Update dated July 13, which is to be incorporated into the minutes by reference. The update was unanimously approved by Council and will be posted on the office bulletin board.

Mayor Huguley introduced a new Fencing ordinance which would be Section 9-115, to read as follows. Fences extending in a more or less parallel line with another fence located beside a state or county maintained road, or a road owned by the Town.

In order to promote an attractive appearance of roads and streets in the Town, it shall be unlawful for any person to allow fencing on property under his ownership or control to be kept in a condition where more than one fence stands in a more or less parallel line with another fence located beside a state or county maintained road, or a road that may be owned by the Town. The existence of limited space between parallel fences beside roads makes maintenance of vegetation thereon more difficult and less likely to be regular. Roadside trash, debris, weeds, or any other substance considered unhealthy or unsightly collects in such space and goes unnoticed and unaddressed by the person owning or in control of the property. A fence herein, means a structure used to separate an area from other areas and constructed with materials including, but not limited to, wire or other metals wood or manmade boards, rails, or brick, stone or concrete..

Property owners with non-conforming fencing will be given notice by the town clerk and up to 24 months from the notice to comply. After 24 months from enactment of this ordinance, a non-conforming fence will be removed by the Town and the property owner(s) will be liable for the cost.

In either case, Council may consider waiving the one fence limit, if the property owner claims in writing such limit would create an unreasonable security risk and gives a reason for this belief to council that it finds sufficient for waiver.

Mayor Huguley moved that the ordinance be approved; Mr. Davis seconded the motion, which was approved. The second reading will be held at the August council meeting.

STREATER RESIGNATION: Mayor Huguley reported that Caroline Streater had resigned by letter, as Judge for Arcadia Lakes. She has accepted the position with Forest Acres. Mayor Huguley said he would follow up with her letter.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

---

Christine Murphy, Town Clerk