



**CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA**  
**REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 23, 2017 – 6:30 P.M.**

The City Commission meeting was held in Fletcher Hall located at 2200 N.E. 38 Street, Lighthouse Point, Florida 33064.

**Invocation**

Invocation was given by Rabbi Tzvi Dechter, Chabad of North Broward Beaches

**Call to Order**

Commission President Johnson called the regular City Commission meeting for the City of Lighthouse Point, Florida, to order at 6:30 p.m.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Glenn Troast	City Clerk Jennifer M. Oh - absent
Commission President Sandy Johnson	Finance Director Frank DiPaolo - absent
Commission Vice President Jason D. Joffe	Fire Chief David Donzella
Commissioner Michael S. Long	Library Director Christy Keyes - absent
Commissioner Earl Maucker	Police Chief Ross Licata
Commissioner Kyle Van Buskirk	Public Works Director Charles Schramm
City Administrator John D. Lavisky	Recreation Director Becky Lysengen
City Attorney Sam Goren	Citizen Service Representative Elizabeth Barnette

**Proclamations** – Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week  
National Safe Boating Week

**Approval of Minutes**

A **motion** to approve the City Commission Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 9, 2017 was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:  
Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

A **motion** to approve the City Commission Minutes of the Special Meeting of May 22, 2017 was made by Commissioner Van Buskirk, seconded by Commissioner Joffe, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:  
Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

**Treasurer's Report**

City Administrator Lavisky read the Treasurer's Report for the period ending May 23, 2017.

Commissioner Van Buskirk inquired about an open purchase order with Everglades Environmental Care, Inc. that has been at the same amount despite landscaping work having been done recently. City Administrator Lavisky stated that he will speak with Finance Director DiPaolo to see why the amount listed on the Treasurer's Report has stayed the same.

Commissioner Maucker inquired about the Mary Barker Library Trust Fund. Mayor Troast stated that Library Director Keyes is working on a list of recommendations she would like to use the available funds towards. Commissioner Joffe inquired whether funds would still be available if the Fund is valued below the \$500,000 threshold on January 1, 2018. Mayor Troast explained that if the Fund is valued below the \$500,000 threshold next year then funds would no longer be available, therefore it is in the best interest to use the available funds before December 31, 2017.

## **Public Comments and Requests Regarding Agenda Items**

### **Reports of City Administration**

#### **Department Reports**

#### **Reports of City Attorney**

### **Reports of Standing Committees**

**Boards: Next Meetings:**

- Planning & Zoning – June 6, 2017
- Code Enforcement – July 18, 2017
- Community Appearance – June 15, 2017
- Special Magistrate – June 7, 2017
- Marine Advisory – August 3, 2017

### **Unfinished Business:**

1. Consider motions to cancel regular City Commission meetings in July and/or August, 2017.

A **motion** to cancel the regular City Commission Meeting of July 25, 2017, was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk and Johnson

A **motion** to cancel the regular City Commission Meeting of August 8, 2017, was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Maucker, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk and Johnson

### **New Business: None**

### **Ordinances: None**

### **Resolutions:**

2. Resolution approving an agreement for Municipal Dredging Services, RFP 2017-003.

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Goren read the title of the resolution.

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving an agreement for Municipal Dredging Services, RFP 2017-003, stipulating that the dredging would be funded with \$255,000 from the Marine Fund and

\$45,000 from the Infrastructure Fund, was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Joffe, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 2130**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AWARDED THE BID TO BRANCE DIVERSIFIED, INC. AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL DREDGING SERVICES, RFP NO. 2017-003; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**3. Resolution approving an agreement for Municipal Curbing Repairs, RFP 2017-004.**

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Joffe, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Goren read the title of the resolution.

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving an agreement for Municipal Curbing Repairs, RFP 2017-004, was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 2131**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AWARDED THE BID TO STONE CONCEPT MIAMI, INC. AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL CURBING REPAIRS, RFP NO. 2017-004; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**4. Resolution approving a Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Lighthouse Point, the City of Pompano Beach, and the Broward Sheriff's Office regarding Exchange Club Park.**

Commissioner Van Buskirk stated that he is employed by Broward Sheriff's Office Fire Rescue Division and inquired whether there would be any conflict of interest with him voting on this item. City Attorney Goren explained that this is a contract with no compensation payable to either side, therefore, there is no conflict of interest with Commissioner Van Buskirk voting on this item.

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Goren read the title of the resolution.

Commissioner Long inquired when Lighthouse Point Police Department would be able to get involved in situations at Exchange Club Park other than explicit criminal activity. Police Chief

Licata explained that he has had conversations with both the Broward Sheriff's Office and Pompano Beach and they are both open to Lighthouse Point Police coming onto the property to assist them with criminal violations, municipal violations, nuisances affecting Lighthouse Point residents, and to patrol the property.

Chief Licata clarified that with this Mutual Aid Agreement, if the Lighthouse Point Police Department receives calls regarding complaints at Exchange Club Park, they would be able to go on the property to respond to these complaints rather than referring the complaint to BSO.

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving a Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Lighthouse Point, the City of Pompano Beach, and the Broward Sheriff's Office regarding Exchange Club Park, was made by Commissioner Joffe, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 2132**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, APPROVING A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPAÑO BEACH, THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, AND THE BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR EXCHANGE CLUB PARK LOCATED AT THE NORTHEAST 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET F.I.N.D. PROPERTY; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Public Comments and Requests from the Floor:**

Everett Marshall, Lighthouse Point resident, asked that the Commission consider additional funding for the Recreation Department during the budgeting process.

Barbara Militello, Lighthouse Point resident, expressed concerns regarding increased traffic and speeding in the area of the Lighthouse Point Yacht Club. She stated that she has spoken with Chief Licata regarding the issue and traffic counting will be conducted in the area, however, she wanted to express her concerns to the Commission.

Leo Bentz, Lighthouse Point resident, read a letter that he prepared about changing the form of government and future planning for the City.

Matt Donoghue, Lighthouse Point resident, asked that with Athletic Supervisor Bernie Conversi retiring on June 1<sup>st</sup> the Commission consider giving the Recreation Department the resources to not only replace Bernie Conversi but possibly add additional staff as well.

**Communications:**

Commissioner Maucker inquired whether a comprehensive audit of the Recreation Departments revenue has been conducted to determine ways to increase revenue and provide the Recreation Department with additional resources. Mayor Troast explained that all the revenue brought in by the Recreation Department goes back into that department's budget.

Discussion ensued regarding how Lighthouse Point compares to other cities in relation to resident vs. non-resident registration fees, amount spent per participant, and the ratio of staff to participants. Mayor Troast suggested that Recreation Director Lysengen update a survey of surrounding cities conducted two years ago and make a recommendation to the Commission to update the fee schedule for the fall season.

Commissioner Long discussed the issue of parking outside of Exchange Club Park and discrepancies in signs currently posted at the park. Discussion ensued regarding what can be done to reduce the parking issue in this area including adding landscaping, posting no parking signs, or making it "Lighthouse Point Resident Decal Parking Only". Commissioner Johnson suggested that Administration explore the available options and come back with a plan at the June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Commissioner Van Buskirk reminded the Commission of topics in the past that the Commission discussed and wants to make sure these topics are not overlooked and circled back to. Commissioner Maucker suggested that when a commissioner has an issue they would like to address they request that it is placed on a future agenda and discussed. Commissioner Van Buskirk also noted his concerns regarding the Police and Fire Pension. Mayor Troast stated that Administration is in contact with the unions for both Police and Fire. Contract discussions with both unions will be conducted over the summer and brought before the Commission for approval.


Commissioner Joffe wanted to commend a part-time Lighthouse Point resident, Vasil Kurtev, who completed a solo sailing trip around the world in 652 days.

Mayor Troast thanked retiring Athletic Supervisor Bernie Conversi for all he has done for the City over the years. Mayor Troast also stated that as a result of an issue over the weekend at Frank McDonough Park the park pavilion rental process is currently under review and changes will be brought before the Commission at the June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

ATTESTED

APPROVED

By:   
Elizabeth Barnette, Citizen Service Rep.

By:   
Sandy Johnson, Commission President

