



**CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA**  
**REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 14, 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 Father Thomas, St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

**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
Commission President Sandy Johnson	Finance Director Frank DiPaolo
Commission Vice President Jason D. Joffe - phone	Interim Fire Chief Shawn Gilmartin
Commissioner Michael S. Long	Library Director Christy Keyes
Commissioner Earl Maucker	Police Chief Ross Licata
Commissioner Kyle Van Buskirk	Recreation Director Becky Lysengen
City Administrator John D. Lavisky	Public Works Director Charles Schramm
City Attorney Michael D. Cirullo, Jr.	

**Proclamation – Election**

**Approval of Minutes**

A **motion** to approve the City Commission Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 24, 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

**Treasurer's Report**

Finance Director DiPaolo read the Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 14, 2017.

Commissioner Van Buskirk inquired about the fire station conceptual plan. City Administrator Lavisky explained that the City hired Synalovski, Romanek, Saye, who has worked with the City before for renovations of the Police Department, City Hall/Library, and Dixon Ahl Hall.

Commissioner Maucker inquired about the process for FEMA reimbursement due to Hurricane Irma clean up. Finance Director DiPaolo explained that the City anticipates an 80% to 90% overall reimbursement. He said that he is waiting for a recovery scoping meeting with FEMA which should be scheduled within the next month. He added that it would be a long process due to the extent of damage throughout the state.

## Public Comments and Requests Regarding Agenda Items

Everett Marshall, resident, inquired about Item #2 and if a decision was going to be made tonight.

Leo Bentz, resident, provided a letter that he prepared regarding Item #4 related to hedge heights.

## Reports of City Administration

### Department Reports

### Reports of City Attorney

City Attorney Cirullo provided an update on ethics training.

Interim Fire Chief Gilmartin provided a report on a State Fire Inspection that was just completed today, and that the Fire Department passed with a 100%.

## Reports of Standing Committees

<b>Boards:</b>	Next Meetings:	Planning & Zoning – December 5, 2017
		Code Enforcement – November 21, 2017
		Community Appearance – November 16, 2017
		Special Magistrate – December 6, 2017
		Marine Advisory – February 1, 2018

**Unfinished Business:** None

### New Business:

1. Waive the bid process to purchase two (2) vehicles utilizing the National Joint Powers Alliance Bid Award and purchase related emergency equipment from a local vendor.

A **motion** to 1) waive the bid process and authorize the purchase of one (1) 2018 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicle from Alan Jay Ford for \$27,119.25 from the National Joint Powers Alliance Contract, utilizing future lease-purchase financing, 2) waive the bid process and authorize the purchase of one (1) 2018 Ford Taurus from Alan Jay Ford, at a cost of \$27,522.25 from the National Joint Powers Alliance Contract, utilizing Federal Forfeiture Funds, and 3) authorize the purchase of emergency equipment to outfit two (2) police vehicles from Strobes-R-Us at a cost of \$9,261.35, utilizing Federal Forfeiture Funds was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

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

A **motion** to declare the following vehicles as surplus property:

1. 2003 Ford Crown Victoria VIN#2FAFP71W53X101550 (Police Unit #305)
2. 2011 Ford Crown Victoria VIN #2FABP7BV2BX114131 (Police Unit #1100)

was made by Commissioner Van Buskirk, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

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

Chief Licata announced that the City received \$9,600 for the two boat motors that were recently auctioned

2. Discussion on Exchange Club Park Agreement with the City of Pompano Beach.

Public Works Director Schramm presented this item. He explained that through an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Pompano Beach, the City of Lighthouse Point is required to perform routine maintenance for the entire park. Prior to September 2015, the maintained sodded areas totaled approximately 0.5 acre in the front (east) of the property plus the 0.5 acre beach area. In September 2015, the Florida Inlet Navigation District (FIND) began a project to rehabilitate the entire property which involved the removal of the non-native invasive tree species, planting and mulching most of the property with native resilient plant species and creating a mulched nature trail.

Prior to the rehabilitation project, the City's expenses for maintenance totaled approximately \$40,460.00 per year. The new expenses based on the property rehabilitation by FIND, which includes approximately 7.6 additional acres of maintenance, comprising of 2.2 acres of sod and 5.4 acres of plants, is estimated to cost the City \$186,930.00 in FY 2017/2018.

City Planning Administrator Michele Mellgren reported that Exchange Club Park is not needed to meet the City's level of service. The City is required to have three (3) acres of park space per 1,000 in population. If the City decided to give up the space and did not meet the level of service at some point in the future, we would not be able to count it again. The Broward County Planning Council said that the City would have to find an alternate source of open space to meet the level of service. Broward County would not entertain any land use plan amendments as a consequence of not meeting the level of service. Currently, we are required to have 31.032 acres of open space, and we have a 2.138 acre surplus of open space without the FIND property. The City has enough access now to accommodate an increase in population of approximately 700 residents. Mrs. Mellgren added, if a property in the City decided to redevelop at a higher residential density and open space was needed to meet the level of service, it would be incumbent on the developer to provide the space.

City Attorney Cirullo explained that the Termination Clause in the current Interlocal Agreement is to the benefit of the City of Pompano Beach. Since they are asking that we renew the Agreement, this is our chance to review and request some changes.

Other discussion items included: increased maintenance costs, trying to negotiate with the City of Pompano Beach, parking issues, and to spell out the City's responsibilities if the Agreement is renewed.

Consensus of the City Commission was for Mayor Troast to reach out to Mayor Fisher and try to negotiate some changes to the Agreement.

**Ordinances:**

3. Second reading and public hearing of an ordinance on timeframes for placement of garbage, trash and recycling for pick up. Advertised in the Sun Sentinel on October 28, 2017.

A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

The public hearing was opened. Everett Marshall, resident, asked the City Commission to reconsider passing this ordinance. No one having come forward, the public hearing was then closed.

Discussion ensued and included: the ordinance providing Code Enforcement Officers a mechanism to enforce the Code for chronic offenders, the Code Enforcement Department was in favor of the new Code, and once the ordinance passes, the first step will be to educate frequent offenders of the new Code.

Mayor Troast said that Code Enforcement has opened over 500 cases this year, which does not include the officers making contact with residents to discuss issues. He added that the Code Enforcement Department tries very hard to educate residents by helping them come into compliance.

A **motion** to approve the ordinance on timeframes for placement of garbage, trash and recycling for pick up on second and final reading was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Maucker, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

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

The ordinance on second and final reading carries the following title:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017 – 0955**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 74, ENTITLED "SOLID WASTE", ARTICLE II, ENTITLED "COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL" TO AMEND SECTION 74-36, ENTITLED "PLACEMENT FOR PICKUP OF TRASH" OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE PERMITTED TIMEFRAMES FOR THE PLACEMENT OF GARBAGE, TRASH AND SPECIAL TRASH, AND RECYCLING, FOR PICKUP; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

4. First reading of an ordinance amending Section 42-376 relating to hedge height regulations on nonwaterfront residential lots.

A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Van Buskirk, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

Discussion included: amending the wording about front building setbacks, whether to change fence heights as well, and including waterfront properties in the ordinance. Mayor Troast suggested presenting the ordinance as is to the Planning and Zoning Board on December 5<sup>th</sup> with a companion ordinance to include waterfront properties, so both issues are addressed. Then the amended ordinance including waterfront properties would come back to the City Commission for first reading on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Long had some concerns about the difference between the front setback line versus the front building and provided three drawings.

A **motion** to table the item and send this ordinance with a companion ordinance to include waterfront properties to the Planning and Zoning Board and also request that the Planning and Zoning Board review the difference between front setback lines versus front buildings, and then bring the ordinance back to the City Commission for first reading on December 12<sup>th</sup> was made by Commissioner Van Buskirk, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:  
Yes: Commissioners Joffe, Long, Maucker, Van Buskirk, and Johnson

The ordinance as presented carried the following title:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017 – 0956**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 42, “LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE”, ARTICLE IV, “ZONING”, DIVISION 5, “SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC USES, SECTION 42-376, “WALLS, FENCES, HEDGES IN NONWATERFRONT RESIDENTIAL LOTS” OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE THE ALLOWABLE HEIGHT FOR HEDGES ON CERTAIN PORTIONS OF NONWATERFRONT RESIDENTIAL LOTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Resolutions:**

5. Resolution approving an Agreement with the Broward County Supervisor of Elections for performing the duties and functions of recruiting, training, and placing the pollworkers for the March 2018 Municipal Election.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving an Agreement with the Supervisor of Elections for performing the duties and functions of recruiting, training, and placing the pollworkers for the March 2018 Municipal Election 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

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 2163**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS OF BROWARD COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT FOR THE RECRUITING, TRAINING, AND PLACING OF POLLWORKERS FOR THE MARCH 13, 2018 MUNICIPAL ELECTION, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

6. Resolution approving a Temporary Standard Polling Place Agreement with Trinity United Methodist Church.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving a Temporary Standard Polling Place Agreement with Trinity United Methodist Church was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, 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 - 2164**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, ENTERING INTO A TEMPORARY STANDARD POLLING PLACE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

7. Resolution amending the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Van Buskirk, 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 – 2165**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2094 AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8. Resolution amending the Tennis Center Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the Tennis Center Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was made by Commissioner Van Buskirk, seconded by Commissioner Maucker, 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 – 2166**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2095 AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN EXPENDITURES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 BUDGET FOR THE TENNIS CENTER FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

9. Resolution amending the Stormwater Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the Stormwater Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was made by Commissioner Maucker, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

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

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 - 2167**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2098 AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN EXPENDITURES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 BUDGET FOR THE STORMWATER FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

10. Resolution amending the Garbage and Trash Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

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

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the Garbage and Trash Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Maucker, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

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

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2017 – 2168**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2016-2096 AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN REVENUES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 BUDGET FOR THE GARBAGE AND TRASH FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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

Leo Bentz, resident, asked Mayor Troast to contact the Venetian Isles Shopping Center to see if they will cut the hedge by the Post Office.

**Communications:**

Commissioner Van Buskirk reminded everyone to attend the Library Book Sale this weekend. He said that the volunteers were doing a great job setting up, and it was very well put together. He thanked the Library Director for their efforts. He asked that the signature verification process be addressed for the upcoming election. He also thanked the Code Enforcement Department and said that they are trying their best to enforce the Code and he thinks they are doing a great job.

Commissioner Long inquired about several Special Magistrate cases that have been continued over the past few months. He said the minutes reflect that the case has been continued but do not state why. He said that the process seems to be being dragged out. Mayor Troast explained that oftentimes, Toni is working with the resident to come into compliance. He said that Code Enforcement goes out of their way to work with the homeowner. City Attorney Cirullo added that sometimes the Special Magistrate reviews the evidence presented to him and determines that it is in the best interest to continue the case. Commissioner Maucker said that there is a fundamental flaw in communication. He would like the minutes to reflect that there are efforts underway and the City is working with the resident if that is the case.

Commissioner Joffe also said that Code Enforcement is working very hard and that he appreciates their work. He asked if they were adequately staffed for all that is being asked of them. He also complimented Chief Licata and the Police Department for their presence on Halloween. He is comforted and always impressed to know that they are there. He also thanked Public Works for the clean up the morning after Halloween.

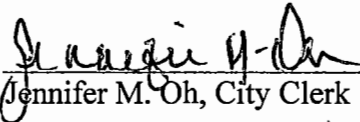
Mayor Troast announced that he and Commissioner Van Buskirk attended a presentation at Pompano Beach High School where six (6) student athletes from Pompano Beach High School and two (2) students from Cardinal Gibbons High School signed National Letters of Intent for baseball scholarships. All Lighthouse Point residents, Trevor Kniskern will be going to Pepperdine University, Kyle Petri is going to the University of Chicago, and Ty Crittenberger is going to UCF. He also announced that there will be a Cornhole Tournament Fundraiser to support Pompano Beach High School Baseball this Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at Frank McDonough Park at 4:00 p.m. Mayor Troast complimented the Fire Department for a great job in responding to a near-drowning of a child last week.


Commissioner Johnson said that the Halloween Party in the Park was great; it is always the event of the year.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

ATTESTED

APPROVED

By:   
Jennifer M. Oh, City Clerk

By:   
Sandy Johnson, Commission President

