



Minutes
Town of Lake Park, Florida
Regular Commission Meeting
Wednesday, April 7, 2010, 8:03 p.m.
Town Commission Chamber, 535 Park Avenue

The Town Commission met for the purpose of a Regular Commission Meeting on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 at 8:03 p.m. Present were Mayor DuBois, Vice-Mayor Osterman, Commissioners Rumsey, Hockman and Longtin, Town Manger Maria Davis, Town Attorney Thomas Baird, and Town Clerk Vivian Lemley.

Mayor DuBois led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Clerk Vivian Lemley performed the Roll Call.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

None

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to approve the agenda; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Daly	X		
Commissioner Osterman	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Carey	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0

PUBLIC AND OTHER COMMENTS:

Richard Ahrens, 1461 Kinectic Rd. - "Richard Ahrens. I have two addresses, 803 Park Avenue and 1461 Kinectic Road where our corporate office is. I would like to commend everybody, I'd like to commend Jennifer especially, and Maria, she's got a boss so...if it wasn't for their efforts, we actually took 105 groups through Park Avenue on Saturday and Sunday. I got 15 out of 20 condo units leased. (Applause from the audience) Obviously we have a Mexican restaurant coming in, we have several other facilities that Jennifer has worked extremely hard...and I heard this conversation... I got three minutes, so I have to talk fast, about how much she's getting paid. You're paying her too little, you need to double her salary, seriously. Somebody who raised the issue about how

much she's being paid is crazy because that woman is working her fanny off and has brought Park Avenue back on the map and I can tell you firsthand that of the 105 groups that I took through my building, every single person was not aware of the quality of Park Avenue and the Town of Lake Park. I don't know how many Commissioners talked to people. I talked to 105 of them and on top of that I went in front of Los Burritos and listened to the conversation of people buying food from them and the comments from those people was incredible. So talking about your not paying somebody enough, that's nuts okay and if you want to look at what the economic impact of that event is, you can't put in dollars what this Town got out of that event. I'm telling you there's no way that any study or analysis can put the value of what this Town got on the return of that festival. I was there firsthand and talked to people. Okay. Besides that, we got all these people that had complaining...I own 1/5th of Park Avenue by the way. Mrs. Mosler owns a little more than 1/5th. Where are these people who are complaining? I have no idea because between the two of us we own 50% of Park Avenue. So let's talk about the 50% that's not there. You take out the empty facilities there and you're down to 10 to 15%. So to listen to somebody make a comment that somebody's not doing their job really upsets me, okay, and I own a big chunk of this downtown trust me. Much more money than you guys can ever imagine and to listen to comments that these people are afraid. I've never been afraid and I've gotten my butt beat up here trust me as you all know it and if you're afraid as a business person to speak your peace then you're not a business person, period (Applause from audience). Let's talk about breakdown. Okay, I was there when the first person came to Maria to break down and it was a little after 3 o'clock and he had a friend in Tarpon Springs that was doing an event and it was pouring down rain and had been for an hour and it was projected that that was moving this way. If I was a vendor I'd break down. I wouldn't keep my art in the rain. I don't care. Okay, so, where somebody said that they started breaking down earlier than that... the first person that asked Maria was a little after three o'clock. The Sunday was our slower turn out obviously because of the weather everybody was projecting that we would have tons of rain. Saturday was off the charts and before I forget it, the entertainment was off the charts, okay, the person who performed on Saturday was incredible and the steel band on Sunday was incredible and if you were a Commissioner and you weren't there and you didn't listen to the quality of that music, you missed out. I'm probably out of my three minutes. Let me talk about the policing, the cop's here.

Mayor DuBois asked if Mr. Ahrens would like an extra minute to comment.

Mr. Ahrens requested an additional minute to discuss the policing at the Art Festival.

Mayor DuBois granted Mr. Ahrens an additional minute to comment.

Mr. Ahrens stated "One hundred and five groups went through my building and one hundred and five people commented on the quality of the service of the police department that was present at that event. They had never seen an art festival or a festival with the quality patrol and security that they saw and I commend the Sheriff's Department for that and I commend the people who work for the Town of Lake Park because they were everywhere picking up any and everything that fell on the ground firsthand, I saw it. Other than that, I had to go back to my bank. My bank dropped my interest rate to 2% from 7% because of the turnout that was accomplished at that Art Festival weekend. So,

you know it was a dire situation for me. I'm still in the whole over \$1 million, me personally not counting my two other investors, my sister and my ex-wife. We still talk too by the way, and I talked to the Commissioners. I talked to every Commissioner that was at the festival and I was present and I talked to each and every one of them and I commended each and every one of those Commissioners that was there on the quality of that function. Thank you very much."

Jack Batho, 836 Park Ave - "Good evening. I'mwest end of the 800 block on the south side and I know all my tenants know Jennifer Spicer and I'll encourage them to go and see her. Saigon Market... I know she knows Jennifer Spicer. Jennifer has encouraged her to paint the front of her building and helping her out that way. One of my tenants that was helped by her, for a loan, by filling out the forms for and getting the loan for Confusion Records, she was able to get a photographer into an empty space where Park Avenue Tailors was and that's an asset because it's an art because that's the type of business that we want. She's been bringing people by for the corner with the awning across the post office, she's brought so many people by to look at the place, I've lost count, and I now have a prospective tenant for that place. She's brought so much enthusiasm to the street. In the last 20 years this is the most input that's ever happened here. She says there's going to be an arts and crafts festival in November and I think that's something that the tenants on the street can participate more in so I'm encouraged by that. We have an Art VanGogh as a kid's art studio and she would like to do something along those lines and the photographer would and other people. I know Lake Park is a spec of a town off the grid and a lot of people don't even know the Town's here and now that it's in such a beautiful state, I'm encouraged now."

Brian McCann, 415 Greenbriar Dr. - "Brian McCann partner at Brown Baggin' It sandwich shop at 304 Park Avenue. I just wanted to thank the Commission and Maria Davis, the Town Manager and Jennifer Spicer for what a wonderful job everybody did with the Art Festival. We got a lot of people even though we were on the western end of it, we had quite a few people go by and with the parking behind the fire station, menus went out, everybody spoke and we talked to everybody that walked by. We had plenty of return customers after those days, not even counting Saturday and Sunday that came back through the beginning of the week and I just want to thank you all for doing that and like I said, it might have been slow the second day with the rain. Next year it's going to be off the wall. I would like to ask one thing maybe also, if we could maybe set up a meeting or a workshop that would actually define how the CRA works, how the money is distributed throughout the CRA District and how the business owners and homeowners outside of the CRA District would not be affected by the money that goes into the CRA and if everybody knew how that worked, I think a lot of problems would be dismissed right there and last but not least, if I think if the Town wants to succeed and prosper we need to lose the negativity, and concentrate more about the positive things in this Town and for all of the Commissioners, lose the negativity and if one Commissioner is speaking, please let's not have other commissioners sitting up there shaking their heads, shaking their heads. Let that Commissioner speak and then we can discuss things after that. Thank you for your time."

Gary Jackson, 1210 Gateway Rd. - "Gary Jackson, 1210 Gateway Rd. my business location. I didn't have the opportunity to attend the functions over the weekend with the

Art Festival, I wanted to but I had other pressing issues that I couldn't deal with. My big concern right this moment is in reference to one, Jeanine, welcome back. Mr. Hockman, I tried to approach you and discuss your abilities two weeks before the election. You pretty much dissed me in front of other people that's all well and done. You didn't want to answer any of the questions. You didn't want to come up with any resolve to anything that I approached you with including asking the name of your business, etc. Obviously after your election, you chose to identify that you were knee deep into a situation with a lawsuit with this Town and some contractor that you're involved with. I respectfully request that you step down or at least step out of all parts of the Marina conversation in reference to that lawsuit, not just your vote. I don't want you even in the room. If you would do that for us, I think the people would appreciate it seeing how you didn't give us the whole truth going in. Thank you."

Jason Wallace, 123 E. Jasmine Dr. - "Hi my name is Jason Wallace. I live on 124 E. Jasmine. I'm really glad you went first. First I'd like to say that the Art Festival was awesome. I had a great time. I was there both days. I saw a lot of you there. Had a great time, met a lot of artists. They were really happy with what happened and how it turned out. Yah, we didn't have a lot of people but it was the first year so it was cool to see how we were moving forward as a town. I'm pretty psyched to be a member of this community. Glad I'm starting my home and my family here and it's really weird, I can talk to all of you outside of this room without being nervous, but I get up here and I'm like..but I am really excited to be part of this town but sadly I am bothered by recent actions of our new Commissioner, Mr. Hockman and his campaign and the election. Personally I believe he ran a deceitful campaign in his bid for Commissioner. He rallied citizens for change in this council because he thought we were wasting time and resources on what he calls a frivolous lawsuit. He didn't disclose any information during his campaign to the citizens or prospective voters that he was working side by side with the company that is in litigation with the Town, and in a quote from the Palm Beach Post, he didn't know if he would get elected if he would've given that information, and I have to ask why you didn't give that information because that's something we all need to know, and like he said, even worse, right after you were sworn in, you decided to tell us. I know personally that you went to friends and family members' homes of mine and got them all psyched up and they voted for you and they're not really happy with you right now, and you know also during your campaign you touted yourself as a Scout Master and I got to ask man, I was a Scout once and they teach honesty and integrity and so far, I don't see either one those things. All I see is deception and unethical behavior both of which I believe to be components of a dirty politician. In a Palm Beach Post article concerning the issue of the Marina you said quote "I don't want anyone from the Town to sit there and scream foul play if it doesn't go their way." Well, Mr. Hockman, I believe the entire Town should scream foul play based on your actions. I don't believe you deserve the respect of the Town's people and shouldn't be given the chance to earn it back either."

Leila Kidd, 415 Greenbriar Dr. - "I live at 415 Greenbriar. I am also one of the owners of Brown Baggin' It Sandwich Shop which is located in the CRA District in Downtown Park Avenue. First I'd like to comment on the Art Show. I think it was a great success. We actually had a lot of business. I actually wish that when we went to the soft opening of the Co-op which is beautiful, congratulations on that, that I would have seen the two

new Commissioners there but that's something I hope would happen in the future. Tonight, Commissioner Hockman, I wish when you were campaigning you would have stopped by my home or my business and explained to me what your goal as Commissioner and what your intentions for our Town were going to be. After I watched your first Commission meeting and read the article in the Palm Beach Post the next day, I don't think your first impression was a positive one, not only for you but for the Town of Lake Park. I don't believe and I'll quote "I didn't know if I would be elected or not when I ran." It's not a good enough reason for the residents, business owners, and the people that elected you as you've heard tonight. I tend to give people the benefit of the doubt, but I've seen you numerous times stand where I am today and be very aggressive and rude, and now you're sitting in that spot and I hope you're prepared for that, and I hope that you can show me that your intentions are good and that you go around and talk to the people. If not, then I think you should step down. Thank you."

Mary Gerber, 845 Foresteria Dr. #8 - "Good evening, I'm a resident at 845 Foresteria, Apt #8. I was lucky enough to be able to get down to the Art Festival and we had a really good time. We enjoyed the food, we enjoyed the art. It was just really nice to see some positive things going on in our Town especially being where I am in Lake Park. I've definitely seen some negative things with crime so it seems like we're going in a much more positive direction now, but what I really wanted to talk to you about tonight was Commissioner Hockman. It came to my attention recently that as soon as you got in to office you wasted no time telling us that you couldn't vote on any issues regarding the lawsuit with the Marina. Obviously that was a key issue and you knew that when you were running. The residents of Lake Park definitely count on our elected officials to do the job that we basically hire them to do with our votes. To run for office knowing that you're going to be unable to vote on a key issue and to hide that information from the residents until after you are elected is nothing but deceitful and it's reprehensible, and again I would like to bring up the quote from the Palm Beach Post article where you said "I didn't know if I would be elected or not when I ran." That seems like a really flimsy excuse for not being forthcoming with your potential constituents. Any candidate running for any office has to know that they could possibly end up in office and you have to run an open and honest campaign based on that assumption. To make matters worse, I happen to also know that you are a Scout Leader with the Scouts as am I in the same district.

As leaders we ask our boys to follow the Scout motto which for those of you who don't know "is to do your best". Another thing is that part of the Boy Scout Law... it states that a Scout is trustworthy. Scout leaders are supposed to lead by example and I do not believe that you did your best to make your connection with Bridge Design Associates known during your campaign and you certainly did not prove yourself to be trustworthy to the residents of Lake Park. I have to wonder that if you were willing to withhold information like that during your campaign from the residents whose votes you were counting on to get yourself into that seat that you're in right now, what are you capable of now that you're in office? You really might want to consider stepping down and letting somebody who can actually do the job fully take your place. Thank you."

Joy Humphries, 414 Greenbriar Dr. - "Good evening, Joy Humphries 414 Greenbriar Dr. First of all I'd like to also congratulate the CRA and the Town on a job well done on

the Art Festival. I've been in the Special Event industry for over 25 years in non-profit, quasi-government and government agencies and I thought for a first year event it was fabulous. I'm also here tonight to voice my concerns about issues regarding our new Commissioner Hockman. Commissioner Hockman, months ago you criticized our Town Commission for not responding to our community and for not keeping the citizens updated on Town issues. Months ago you criticized the Town law suit with Lake Park Marina saying and I quote you "It can be fixed with a bucket of sand." Now we find out that you worked with the company the Town is in a lawsuit against. Where you hiding this information for a particular reason? Did Bridge Construction contribute to your campaign? In the Palm Beach Post you stated and I quote once again "I don't want anyone from the Town to sit and scream foul play if it doesn't go their way. I didn't know if I would be elected or not when I ran." Did you not think it was important to be honest with the citizens of the Town of Lake Park when you ran for office? Mr. Hockman for the integrity and the good of this Town you should do the right thing and resign immediately."

Karl Osterman, 919 W. Jasmine Dr. – "Karl Osterman 919 West Jasmine. Before I begin I would like to say that for over four years since Vice-Mayor Osterman was elected, I have not approached this podium so as not to put forth the appearance that I was speaking for her or she was speaking through me in any way. Please be assured that the opinions I express this evening are solely my own. I cannot remain silent on this issue. This is simply too great the effects of which impacts every citizen of this Town. Mr. Hockman I would like to know if you received any monies directly or indirectly from Bridge Design, the litigant the Town is suing over deficiencies at the Marina, when you would come to this podium and berate the Commission and the Town Manager about decisions being made or the validity of said legal action. I would like to know if you did not disclose your business relationship with Bridge during the campaign because in your own words, you did not know if you would be elected so that if you had not been elected you could continue to misrepresent yourself from this podium. I would like to believe that when a resident approaches this podium there is a covenant between that individual and the members of this community. A covenant that the individual is speaking on behalf of the betterment of the whole and not to put forth the agenda of a private client. Mr. Hockman, your deception falls into question the entirety of your professional and personal integrity and your ethical standards. I ask you, are these the values you teach the children you mentor? Mr. Hockman, you're a liar. A lie of omission is no less a lie. Your own admission in the Palm Beach Post confirms this deception. Madame Mayor, my sincere regrets go out to you, the Commission and to every single resident and business owner in this Town. Mr. Hockman, you have brought the specter of corruption upon us all. A perception which I believe will have a ripple effect to dissuade new businesses and patrons from coming here and in effect, an act that has damaging ramifications for everyone. In closing, Mr. Hockman, I would suggest that you resign for the benefit of your own professional reputation and to bring integrity back to this Commission. I would like to thank you very much for letting me express my opinions and concerns."

Joseph Lorelli, 910 2nd St. – "Joseph Lorelli, 910 2nd Street. As well as everybody else my concerns lay with Mr. Hockman. No, Mr. Hockman. I didn't vote for you but those people that did can't take their vote back. I ran against you. I've been down here for ten years participating. Never in my life in ten years I've been coming down here have I

seen anything of this nature. There's a multi-million dollar lawsuit with the Marina in this Town. The last thing anybody wants to see here is you sitting there and have to deliberate and discuss what's going on and where's the information going? Is it here, is it in confidence? Is it where it's supposed to be? Where's your loyalty? Or is it going back to Bridge Construction? I think everybody else put it out there just as well and I feel just the same way. You should resign. Thank you."

Beth Drew, 527 Palmetto Rd. – "Good evening. Beth Drew, 527 Palmetto. I've been a resident of this Town for 17 years. I want to congratulate the Commission and our Town Manager for an excellent art show that we had. It was wonderful, it was beautiful and I've also wanted to congratulate the Commission in the last few years for the wonderful progress that we have made in this Town in beautifying our Town really getting its act together. We have made wonderful progress. Mr. Hockman, I am sorry but we have a Marina that is extremely important to us and we need our entire Commission working for it and working for our Town, and it doesn't look like you will be able to do that. What my fellow residents here of the Town have said and spoken is exactly what I was thinking and feeling and wanted to say myself. You need to step down sir. Let someone who can fully participate in this job do the job that we need to have done and continue the wonderful progress that we've been making. Thank you."

Diane Munroe, Hawthorne Dr. – "Good evening everyone, nice to see you. Hawthorne Drive, Lake Park. What makes it very difficult for me to stand up here is I believe your son is in the audience, so maybe you can make it a special night with him to explain to him what is going on. Mr. Hockman, your behavior during the campaign and now here today is very disturbing to say the least. You most certainly do not have the best interests of Lake Park in mind. You had an obligation to disclose your conflict of interest and you did not. You chose to keep the truth a secret. This is fraudulent, Mr. Hockman. A deliberate deception practiced so as to secure unfair and unlawful gain. Trickery - one who pretends to be what he or she is not. Your non-disclosure shows that you were dishonest, sneaky and not to be trusted. You ran for the Commission seat for your own personal gain. You have insulted the residents and the business people of Lake Park by your lack of understanding. You have no credibility. Mr. Hockman, how can you represent the Town of Lake Park when you don't even have enough courage to tell the truth about yourself. We do not need someone who is dishonest, someone who cannot make decisions and someone who cannot vote on particular issues. We do not need you Mr. Hockman. You would and already have done more damage than good. You're a snake and you should now resign immediately. If anyone else in the room feels the same way which obviously they do; I have some State of Florida Commission on Ethics Complaint Forms with me and I would be happy to hand them out to you. Thank you for listening."

Chuck Balius, 148 Date Palm Dr. – "Chuck Balius, 148 Date Palm. First I'd like to say it was a nice Art Festival. By the way the parking problem was already taken care of just take the fence down and pave it. This would've probably been better if Mr. Hockman would of released a little news thing about why he did this or why he didn't do it to try and protect himself. I drafted a letter tonight, it took me five minutes, you can ask my wife, based on the comments that I've received from other residents within Lake Park. They're very upset. and some of them voted for you. Some would like to burn your

house down. Basically, that's what they would like to do. One person told me that you breached the trust of the residents of Lake Park. That's the first words out of his mouth. You know that's terrible to say about a Commissioner. I spent twelve years of my life sitting up there. You embarrass me. Anyway, I'm going to read this because I wrote this down just as they gave it to me. Mr. Hockman, you have breached the trust of the residents of Lake Park but most of all you've misled the voters of Lake Park. We've had a major problem here about voting in the last two years, I guess it's been. You admitted this conflict, if you had admitted this conflict, you would have not been allowed to participate in the election. In other words, you knew in advance that you would not be able to perform the full range of duties as a Commissioner and I'm sure that if you had been truthful with the voters of Lake Park you would not be sitting at that dais tonight. You're presently being paid for a job you can't do. We're not a big Town, we don't have much money. That little over \$9,000 they give you a year is a lot of money out of this Town, and it also appears that you have ulterior motives and they were not in the best interests of this Town when you criticized the Town about the lawsuit. Mr. Hockman, people thought that you were a marine engineer because you made comments that you were an engineer. Are you a marine engineer? I build bulkheads. You don't know nothing about a bulkhead, Mr. Hockman. You misled the residents when you stated that you could fix the problems at the Marina with a couple of wheelbarrows of sand. First of all you don't use sand in a bulkhead. You misled them, you lied to them. That's what it was. You know that wheelbarrow you talked about? I wish you'd take that and leave town."

Mayor DuBois asked if Mr. Spilos would like her to read his letter.

Mr. Spilos asked Mayor DuBois to read the letter.

Mayor DuBois read the letter (see Exhibit "A"). She stated that Commissioner Hockman may have the floor to answer to the public's comments.

Public Comment Closed.

Commissioner Hockman stated that he would like to address the comments made by the public. He stated "I guess to start off, I'm sorry the people feel that I've misled them. I did not intentionally try to mislead anybody, okay. First of all, I did not know prior to getting on the Commission that Bridge Design was involved in a law suit. Ms. Davis informed me the first couple of days she called me up to try to get me up to speed and tell me what was going on. That's when I said wait a minute, I need to talk to the attorney as soon as the name started coming out just because of conflicts. I do not want to cause problems. If I would've known that they were one of the people in the law suit and somebody asked me, yes, but you know as much as I, maybe you know more. I've been coming to these meetings, and nowhere in these has the Commission sat here and listed everybody that they're suing. I don't know who they're suing, everybody, I know some of them now, yes and that's when I put the stop on it. Unfortunately, in the interest of the Town, Bridge Design has not paid me anything. I have no ties to Bridge Design. If anything, I guess I could jeopardize anything that I may work on with them in the future. It goes both ways. Bridge Design has never in the years that I have dealt with them, and I don't know how long this lawsuit's been going on, I guess a couple of years from what I

understand. They've never said anything to me, it's never come up. It's something that you know different consultant companies don't go around saying who they're being sued by or who they're suing. That's not something. You may not believe me but that is the god honest truth. I did not know Bridge Design was being sued. I did not know everyone that's worked on the Marina. I didn't go down to the Marina to do research, to see who is, you know involved in or has been involved in it. That's not what I was about, okay. What I had problems with was some of the expenditures not the law suit. I never once criticized this Town for the lawsuit, never once, never intended, never tried, never have. I have not criticized, okay, now in the literature that I passed out. The only comment, I guess if you want to take it negatively was about the overspending in what's going on in the Marina. That, if you want to call that criticizing, than you criticize, but I never criticized this Town for it. Now I am truth and honest, I will tell people the truth. That's what I'm about. If people ask me, if people came up to ask me what I thought about it, I would've told them. I talked to many people in this Town. Did anybody who came up here sit there and say well are you going to vote for the Town or are you going to do this about the lawsuit? No. There's probably going to be a lot of things you know coming up. I remember when the Mayor ran. Now I understand you stand down on a lot of things about the co-op because of your background."

Mayor DuBois stated "Mr. Hockman, the only thing that I do under the Florida State Statutes. Any person in office is not to receive if they think they may receive any benefit from a situation. The co-op is the only thing because I am one of the paid artists part of that. That is one small thing. There are not many things that I do not vote on. Don't confuse this with me. I just want that clear, thank you."

Commissioner Hockman continued "But basically, and there may be more things that any one of these Commissioners including myself may have to sustain from, but we don't run a campaign. I've never seen a Commissioner or any politician as we call them run for office...Oh I can't do this or I can't do that on things that may come up. I still believe in being credible as far as accountable for the money. Things that I've stated at that podium I still believe true to my heart. I still believe that and I still stand for that. I'm sorry that people feel the way they did. I'll be honest, I've spoke to a lot of people around Town okay. People that I know at the art show, I talked to a lot of people that came up. They understood what I was about. Unfortunately, it was one issue. I mean I'm sorry it went that way. If Ms. Davis didn't tell me at the beginning, I did not want to take and put the Town into spending a lot of money, and bring me up to speed on this issue. The sad part is that the reason I did what I did because there was a lot of stuff that was going on behind the scene and I figured I should just bring out it now than wait two years down the road then have everybody yell at me for the same thing. I'm up front, right from the get go I was open with you about that. Nobody out there in the audience that I know of asked me about the lawsuit, okay. That wasn't my platform, was not the lawsuit. Never was, never has been and never intended to be my platform. My platform was for the credibility as far as the expenditures. We've been way out there on the expenditures for this Town."

Mayor DuBois asked if that was his answer.

Commissioner Hockman stated that "Yes, that was his answer."

Commissioner Longtin asked "Mr. Hockman, could you please explain your relationship with Bridge Design. Do you work for them? What is your relationship?"

Commissioner Hockman replied "My relationship with Bridge Design is I am nothing more than a sub to a sub to a sub multiple down. Some projects out there... the subs that I may work for through subs may get paid from them. I have nothing to do with it, I'm a sub, I have nothing to do with what that is. That sub doesn't have to hire me to do anything. I have no ties, I have no contracts, I receive no money whatsoever, none whatsoever from Bridge Design. I have no say in any contracts they give out. I have no say in any projects that come along. However, I do work with different projects with them. In other words, they're paid by the city. I'm paid through subs through subs working for the city."

Mayor DuBois stated that she realized emotions were high and she asked the audience to please try to keep it down.

Commissioner Longtin stated "As I understand it, Mr. Hockman has met with our attorney and they have decided that it isn't a conflict of interest..Oh you're scrunching your eyes now."

Attorney Baird stated "Because that is not accurate."

Commissioner Longtin "You said he would be able to, okay, I'm sorry you're right, you said he would be able to attend the meetings, on a legal standpoint, he would be able to attend the meetings. he would just on many issues..."

Attorney Baird stated "Let me explain Florida law to you."

Commissioner Longtin "I would love that."

Attorney Baird explained "Florida law permits a Commissioner who has a conflict and who states the conflict that they will abstain from voting. Florida law permits that Commissioner to participate in a discussion of the Commission on the item in which that Commissioner has a conflict. The Commissioner with the conflict is not permitted to advocate on behalf of his client, a position, but he may participate. At the time of the vote, the Commissioner must abstain from voting. That's Florida law."

Commissioner Rumsey stated "Since I was elected to this office. I've never seen an issue that's been as volatile in our community as this one is. Parking meters, lawsuit at the Marina, repairs at the Marina, the lighting issue; I have not gotten as many phone calls, e-mails, people knocking on my door, people stopping me in Publix, people stopping me at the Art Show. For the last two weeks, well now three weeks, this is the only issue I have been approached about with any resident in this community and it has been overwhelming the number of people that have stopped me to talk about this issue. Mr. Hockman, you mentioned that you were a sub to a sub to a sub; however, in the Palm Beach Post article it says that you work side by side with a firm the Town is suing over its problem wrought 8 million dollar Marina. Is that that a sub to a sub to a sub or side by

side? So, I look at this and I find it difficult to understand the relationship there. Also where in the article you are quoted as saying it's a fine line because I don't directly work for Bridge Design however it doesn't say you don't work with Bridge Design. So I think that we're walking some tight rope there on this issue. One other question I do want to approach the Mayor with and I hope that you will come back and answer this. I would like to know was the co-op on the radar of the Town when you ran for office and you can come back and answer that later if you would like, because I think if an issue comes up after we are in office it's quite different than running on that issue. Mr. Hockman, for myself and this community, I think that I would feel much more secure and I think our community would feel much more secure, if tonight you made a commitment to this community that you would not be active in any attorney/client sessions on the Marina, you would not attend any attorney/client sessions on the Marina, you will not receive any e-mails regarding the lawsuit at the Marina and you would not speak or vote on any issues revolving around the lawsuit at the Marina. For myself, if you would make that commitment to the community this evening and to the rest of the Commission, I would feel much better."

Commissioner Osterman stated "I asked for clarification about the relationship at the last meeting. I was not given that information. I spoke with our attorney the next morning and I was not told it was a sub of a sub of a sub. I was told that it was a sub relationship, and that seems to have changed now so I'm confused about that. I also called the attorney back the following day and said Commissioner Hockman said that he doesn't have a direct relationship with Bridge and that is why it was not listed on his financial interest statement and let me just take a moment and clarify that for everyone in the audience. Everyone who runs for office must make a statement of financial interest so that there is a record of any connections that we might have with any properties or businesses or anything like that. We have to update that every year that we're in office and it's to keep us on the straight and narrow. I called the attorney back and I said even if it's a sub-relationship there are no clients listed, and Florida law requires that clients meeting a threshold be listed. I asked the attorney to ask Commissioner Hockman to file an amendment so that it would be clear to everyone and it would become a matter of public interest what companies he does work for. It is three weeks past that and that amendment has not been filed as of the last time I asked the Clerk. Mayor could you ask the Clerk if that amendment has been filed?"

Mayor DuBois stated "Madame Clerk has that been filed with you?"

Town Clerk Vivian Lemley stated "No."

Commissioner Osterman stated "I would like to say that there was one quote in the paper that troubled me more greatly than anything, and I understand that I am an English professor and that language matters a lot more to me than perhaps the average person but the quote about the lawsuit was "If it doesn't go their way". It wasn't "If it doesn't go our way." It was "If it doesn't go their way." That makes me extremely uncomfortable about which side of the issue you're on Mr. Hockman, and like Commissioner Rumsey, I am very uncomfortable although legally it might be acceptable for you to be present in meetings. I'm sorry. your position is suspect because of your behavior. We will be discussing strategy sessions and while you might not be able to vote, I want complete

confidence, complete confidence that everyone in that room is going to keep that information within that party. Finally, Madame Manager, I am very, very sorry to put you in this situation and yet I feel it is my responsibility to do so. Earlier tonight we were discussing in regards to the CRA the number of people on Park Avenue. Immediately following the meeting, Mr. Hockman, Commissioner Hockman, Board Member Hockman disclosed one name and then in a follow up e-mail was uncomfortable disclosing any. Again, I see that as suspect. Tonight, he has stated that in his initial meeting with you, you gave the names of the litigants. I find that to be highly suspect. I cannot imagine an initial conversation about deficiencies in the Marina where you would give the names of litigants. So I'm very sorry to ask you this directly and yet I feel that I must. Would you please address this issue if the Mayor would allow you to do so.

Mayor DuBois stated "I will allow the Manager to answer that question if she would.

Town Manager Davis stated "My conversation with Commissioner Hockman was to advise him that I thought that it would be in his best interest if we sat down and went through the forensic evidence that we collected to date because of comments that have been made for the past year regarding the Marina and certain actions we were taking there and Mr. Hockman's response to me was that before we get together he needed to speak with the attorney. I do not recall going through names of litigants. Mr. Hockman stated that when I pushed the issue and asked him why he needed to talk to the attorney just to be educated, I was told that Bridge Design is one of his largest clients."

Commissioner Osterman stated "So to clarify, you did not give the name, he did?"

Town Manager Davis stated "My recollection is what I just stated."

Commissioner Osterman stated "Thank you and I apologize for putting you in a situation where you have to disclose that against one of your bosses, but this is critical to our Town and I'm embarrassed by the situation."

Mayor DuBois stated "First and foremost when I ran for Mayor there was not even a whiff of that there was going to be an art co-op in the CRA so I certainly didn't abstain myself from voting on it until it became something that I felt that I did not wish to vote on. Another thing I'd like to say here and Attorney Baird if you will help me. One of the things I'm trying to clarify is the timing before the swearing in of Mr. Hockman, is it not true that I had a conversation with you letting you know that I was aware of this conflict and that if Mr. Hockman had not revealed it when he ran that when he was sworn in he needed to reveal that there was a conflict and if he did not, I would give him the chance to go first in Commissioner comments and the opportunity to do so, and did I not tell you that if he did not, that I would do so myself?"

Attorney Baird stated "Yes."

Commissioner Osterman requested a five minute recess.

Mayor DuBois adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m. for a five minute recess.

The meeting reconvened at 9:13 p.m.

Consent Agenda:

1. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of March 17, 2010
2. Resolution No. 14-04-10 Bank Signatures
3. Resolution No. 15-04-10 Memorandum Of Understanding of Support for Treasure Coast & South Florida Regional Planning Council's Joint Application for the Federal Sustainable Communities Initiative (SCI) Funding
4. Resolution No. 16-04-10 Florida Department of Environmental Protection Parks and Recreation Division Land & Water Conservation Grant Submission for Ball Field Storage & Playground
5. Board Membership Listings
6. Arbor Day Proclamation
7. Letter of Support for Community Outreach Center

Public Comment Open.

None

Public Comment Closed.

Commissioner Rumsey asked that item #2 of the Consent Agenda be pulled for discussion.

Commissioner Longtin asked that items #3 and #5 of the Consent Agenda be pulled for discussion.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to approve item numbers 1,4,6, and 7 of the Consent Agenda; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0

Commissioner Rumsey stated that he wanted to clarify that the bank signatories listed on the Resolution were the Mayor, the Vice-Mayor and himself. He asked that Town Manager Davis explain why he was listed as a signatory.

Town Manager Davis stated that he was a senior Commissioner and that the three senior Commissioners were listed as the signatory.

Mayor DuBois asked Finance Director Anne Costello to explain.

Finance Director Anne Costello stated that typically it is the Finance Director, the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and an additional Commissioner. She stated that she chose the incumbent Commissioner as the fourth signatory as that has been the practice since she has worked for the Town. She stated that the Town's Ordinance required two signatories but they have added a third signatory as an extra precaution.

Commissioner Rumsey asked if the Town has ever had to have the third signatory sign any paperwork in her tenure.

Finance Director Costello stated that she did not believe so and it would probably be more likely in the event of a wire transfer for possibly a sale of a property but that had not happened since her tenure with the Town.

Mayor DuBois asked if Commissioner Longtin wanted to debate the issue or who she wanted as a third signatory.

Commissioner Longtin stated she understood why the Mayor and Vice-Mayor were chosen as the two signatories but was disappointed that there was no discussion regarding the third signatory.

Vice-Mayor Osterman stated that she was very open to discussion and would love to hear Commissioner Longtin's idea.

Commissioner Longtin stated that her problem was that there was no discussion on the item.

Mayor DuBois explained that the signatories were chosen after every election the same way and asked Commissioner Longtin if she would like to propose another way and have the Commissioners vote on it.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Longtin to approve herself as the third signatory for the Town's Bank Signatures according to Resolution No. 14-04-10; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second for discussion of the item.

Vice-Mayor Osterman asked Attorney Baird if she could second the motion for discussion only.

Attorney Baird stated that she could discuss the item once the second on the motion was made.

Vice-Mayor Osterman asked for the rationale behind Commissioner Longtin's motion and they could move forward.

Commissioner Longtin stated that the three incumbents had already been chosen and it did not make a difference since a third signature is not usually needed if they were going to choose by seniority she has been a Commissioner in the past and entering into her fourth year on the Commission.

Mayor DuBois stated that it was a waste of time to nitpick the bank signatory item. She stated that she found it insulting that Commissioner Longtin would indicate anything about her or the other two people who were elected the same as she was.

Commissioner Longtin withdrew her motion.

Commissioner Longtin stated that she just wanted to prove to someone how important this was to “you girls.”

Vice-Mayor Osterman withdrew her motion.

Commissioner Rumsey asked Commissioner Longtin who she was referring to in her statement about proving something to “you girls.”

Commissioner Longtin explained that she was speaking to someone outside and it was not even a girl, it was a guy.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to approve item numbers 2 of the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Rumsey made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 4-1.

Commissioner Longtin asked for item #3, Resolution No. 15-04-10 to be explained.

Town Manager Davis asked Community Development Director Patrick Sullivan to come to the podium to explain.

Community Development Director Patrick Sullivan explained that he was approached by a Treasure Coast Commissioner at a meeting recently that was held to discuss the Sustainable Communities Initiative which was a funding mechanism for regional

planning. The area from the Treasure Coast down through Broward County and Miami Dade have agreed to create a regional entity that would apply for grants for transportation, environmental and housing issues. The Memorandum of Understanding supports the Treasure Coast and the Palm Beach County area initiative to work with other communities and counties to put money together a package to get this money at some future date. The particular projects have not been identified at that point. It was simply municipalities and counties coming together to say that they want to create an entity that would be eligible for grants from the federal government. Once it is put together it would become the fifth largest metropolitan in the country and would position them very well for grants from Washington with obtaining increase transportation funding. He recommended supporting the Treasure Coast initiative and moving forward with it.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to approve item numbers 3 of the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Hockman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Longtin wanted to know why the Marina Board was currently inactive.

Town Manager Davis explained that the Commission adopted a Resolution or Ordinance that determined that there was no need at this point in time for the Marina Board to meet.

Commissioner Longtin stated that the Marina Board had been very active in scheduling tournaments and other activities at the Marina. She asked if there was currently a Marina Board and if she should contact the members of the Board to see if they want the board reactivated.

Town Manager Davis stated that there was a still a Marina Board but it was currently inactive.

Commissioner Longtin asked if she contacted the members and they wanted to begin meeting again if the Board could be reactivated.

Town Manager Davis stated that it was not up to her but should be voted on by the Commission.

Mayor DuBois stated that Commissioner Longtin could speak to the members of the Marina Board and see if they were interested in meeting again. She requested that Attorney Baird retrieve the history on the vote to make the Marina Board inactive and the Commission could review it and discuss the possibility of reactivating the Board.

Commissioner Longtin stated that she would contact the Marina Board and ask them if they wanted to come speak to the Commission.

Attorney Baird stated that it would be proper protocol for the Mayor to direct the Town Manager to direct the Town Clerk to pull the documents related to the vote on the Marina Board.

Mayor DuBois directed Town Manager Davis to direct Town Clerk Lemley to pull the documents.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Longtin to approve item numbers 5 of the Consent Agenda; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Applicants for the Planning & Zoning Board

Town Manager Davis stated that the three applicants, Mason Brown, Judith Thomas, and Mary Gambino were present to speak but had to leave.

Commissioner Osterman requested that item #15 be moved to the beginning of the Discussion and Possible Action due to the fact that the meeting had run longer than usual and there had been a resident present and waiting to speak on the item.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to re-order the Agenda to move item #15 to follow item #8; Commissioner Rumsey made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

Placement of Four Way Stop Sign on the Corner of Jasmine Drive and Palmetto Drive

Public Comment Open.

Cassandra Bowens, 650 Palmetto Dr. – stated that she lived on the corner of Palmetto Drive and that she had written a letter to the City when she first moved there. She was told to send the letter to the office on Old Dixie Highway. The letter stated that she observed many cars running the stop sign and that she had witnessed a bad accident in which the vehicle ended up in her driveway. She had requested the stop sign for the safety of the children who play at the corner. She stated that she also witnessed a high speed chase where the officer had run the stop sign. She stated that she would rather prevent a tragedy by requesting the four way stop sign at the corner of Jasmine Drive and Palmetto Drive.

Public Comment Closed.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to approve placement of a Four Way Stop Sign on the Corner of Jasmine Drive and Palmetto Drive; Commissioner Hockman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin		X	
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor			

DuBois	X		
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Motion passed 4-1.

ORDINANCE ON 1ST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 04-2010 – Amendment to the Reasonable Accommodations Ordinance Clarifying the Definition of “Qualifying Entity” and Process for Proof of Disability

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA AMENDING SECTION 78-6(1) OF THE LAKE PARK TOWN CODE ENTITLED “REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION PROCEDURES”; PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM “QUALIFYING ENTITY”; PROVIDING FOR THE REQUIREMENT THAT THOSE SEEKING A REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION SUBMIT THEIR LEGAL NAMES AND PROOF OF THEIR DISABILITY OR HANDICAP; PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 78-6(1) TO REQUIRE QUALIFYING ENTITIES TO SUBMIT PROOF THAT THEY ARE LICENSED SERVICE PROVIDERS AS DEFINED IN SECTION 397.311(18), FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Public Comment Open.

None

Public Comment Closed.

Attorney Baird explained the reason for Ordinance No. 04-2010.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to approve Ordinance No. 04-2010 upon 1st reading; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Attorney Baird read Ordinance No. 04-2010 by caption-only.

GENERAL APPROVAL OF ITEM

Recommendation of Appointment of Commissioner Rumsey as an Alternate Member to the Bioscience Land Protection Advisory Board

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to approve Commissioner Rumsey as an Alternate Member to the Bioscience Land Protection Advisory Board; Commissioner Longtin made the second for discussion.

Commissioner Longtin asked why Commissioner Rumsey was chosen and who chose him.

Town Manager Davis stated that Mayor DuBois chose Commissioner Rumsey.

Mayor DuBois explained her reasons for choosing Commissioner Rumsey. She stated that he had the experience and the time to fulfill the position.

Commissioner Longtin stated her concerns that the item was not discussed.

Commissioner Rumsey stated that he would remove himself from the nomination so as to have the item discussed and an nomination be made if it would make Commissioner Longtin more comfortable.

Commissioner Osterman withdrew her motion.

Commissioner Longtin withdrew her second on the motion for discussion.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Longtin to approve Commissioner Rumsey as an Alternate Member to the Bioscience Land Protection Advisory Board; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Replacement of Northlake Boulevard Task Force Representative

Mayor DuBois asked if the Commission had a nomination for the position.
Commissioner Osterman asked when the Northlake Boulevard Task Force meets.

Town Clerk Lemley explained that the Task Force did not have a regular meeting schedule but only met when necessary. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 7 p.m. She stated that the meetings were scheduled way in advance with plenty of time for notice.

Commissioner Rumsey stated that he was interested in becoming the Town's representative on the Northlake Boulevard Task Force.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to appoint Commissioner Rumsey as Replacement for the Northlake Boulevard Task Force Representative; Commissioner Longtin made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Appointment of Planning and Zoning Board Commission Liaison

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to appoint Commissioner Longtin as the Planning and Zoning Board Commission Liaison; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second.

Commissioner Longtin stated that she was unable to be the Planning and Zoning Board Commission Liaison as she did not want to take on additional duties her first year in office.

The Motion was withdrawn.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to appoint Commissioner Hockman as the Planning and Zoning Board Commission Liaison; Vice-Mayor Osterman made the second for discussion.

Commissioner Osterman expressed concerns regarding conflict of interest with Commissioner Hockman as Planning and Zoning Board Commissioner Liaison.

Commissioner Rumsey withdrew his motion.

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Longtin to appoint Vice-Mayor Osterman as the Planning and Zoning Board Commission Liaison; Commissioner Rumsey made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Appointment of Library Board Commission Liaison

Motion: A motion was made by Commissioner Rumsey to appoint Commissioner Hockman as the Library Board Commission Liaison; Commissioner Longtin made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

Traffic along Flagler Boulevard

Commissioner Hockman explained and expressed his concerns regarding the traffic along Flagler Boulevard. He stated that there were children getting on and off the bus at the

corner and the speeding and traffic posed a safety hazard. He stated that people still run stop signs and he asked that the possibility and cost of speed bumps be looked into.

Commissioner Rumsey stated that he was not opposed to stop signs, but had concerns regarding speed bumps. He asked if there was a logical place on Flagler to place a four way stop sign.

Commissioner Osterman stated that she had grown up on Flagler Boulevard and the street did have a lot of traffic. She recommended that a break for a four way stop sign would be approximately at Jasmine Drive and Kalmia Drive.

Commissioner Hockman stated that the bend of Jasmine Drive and Kalmia Drive would be the ideal spot for the four way stop sign.

Mayor DuBois stated that she drove Flagler Boulevard frequently and stated that a four way stop sign could be placed at Jasmine Drive and Kalmia Drive which was the best place for it.

Commissioner Rumsey stated that a Sherriff's report stated that a four way stop sign on Flagler Boulevard was not necessary as they did not see a problematic speeding issue on Flagler Boulevard. He stated that he did not entirely agree that there was not a speeding issue there. He stated that he wanted clarification as to whether they were recommending a two way or a four way stop sign.

Commissioner Longtin stated that she's lived on Flagler Boulevard for over 20 years and the speeding was not constant but was not good when it did happen. She stated that she assumed that the Commission was speaking of placing the four way stop sign at West Kalmia Drive because East Kalmia Drive also hits Flagler Dr. She stated that she had not seen the Sheriff's report that was done on the four way stop at Jasmine Drive and Palmetto Rd. She stated that she would ask to see the report at a later time. She expressed her concerns with the speeding on Palmetto Rd. She stated that she didn't think stop signs would work on that road. She recommended a speed bump instead of a four way stop sign.

Motion: A motion was made by Vice-Mayor Osterman to install a four way stop sign at the intersection of West Kalmia Drive and Flagler Drive; Commissioner Hockman made the second.

Vote on Motion:

Commission Member	Aye	Nay	Other
Commissioner Hockman	X		
Commissioner Longtin	X		
Commissioner Rumsey	X		
Vice-Mayor			

Osterman	X		
Mayor DuBois	X		

Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Osterman stated that there could be discussion at a future meeting regarding the installation of another stop sign or a speed bump which would be a solution in the long run at Jasmine Drive and Palmetto Rd.

Parking Meter Cash Key

Town Manager Davis explained a parking meter cash key program would cost \$1426.85. She explained that it would be a parking meter discount for Lake Park residents.

Commissioner Rumsey explained that he had brought up the issue of the parking meter cash key program. He stated that the program would only work for headed meters and not the stands. He stated that he wanted it to be a program that could be utilized for all the parking meters. He requested that staff find an option that would work for all of the parking meters.

Town Manager Davis stated that staff would look into alternatives.

Vice-Mayor Osterman stated that she spoke with residents and particularly fishermen who were very interested in the parking meter cash key program. She stated that she could support the program at certain hours but she was very hesitant to take a hit in revenue at the Tennis Center and the Marina since the Town is in need of that revenue.

Commissioner Rumsey stated that he was recommending the discount for residents only.

Commissioner Hockman stated that he did not want there to be an issue giving the discount to residents if grant money was used for the parking meters.

Commissioner Rumsey explained that the parking meters were not purchased with grant money.

Commissioner Hockman stated that the parking lot at the Marina was installed using grant money. He stated that he did not want the Town to run into any issues with giving discounts to residents for parking.

Town Manager Davis stated that she would research and look into the matter.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

Applicants for the Planning & Zoning Board

The following members were appointed to the Planning & Zoning Board:

Judith Thomas – Regular Member

Mason Brown – 1st Alternate Member

Robin Maibach – Regular Member
Anthony Bontrager – 2nd Alternate Member

COMMENTS BY COMMISSION, TOWN MANAGER, TOWN ATTORNEY

Commissioner Hockman stated that he mostly said all he needed to say. He stated that he never remembered anyone calling him during his campaign to talk to him about their issues. He welcomed anyone to call him and he would be glad to talk to them.

Vice-Mayor Osterman requested that Mr. Hockman file the Amended Financial Disclosure Form. She thanked staff for all their work on the Art Festival and she looked forward to many more events.

Commissioner Longtin announced that the Town would be celebrating Arbor Day at the Lottie Mae Miller Park on April 30th. She thanked Chris Wayne and Associates for donating a tree for the event.

Commissioner Rumsey thanked Marina Director Mike Pisano for hosting a wonderful Sunset Party. He thanked him for also recruiting new business to the Town at the Boat Shows every year. He congratulated Recreation Director Greg Dowling for a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt. He asked Town Manager Davis to bring back information on the Town's insurance program. He stated that he would like to see if the Commissioners would be able to purchase insurance at 50% since they were currently purchasing at 100%. He requested a budget analysis in order to see if it was possible. He stated that Palm Beach County had just developed an Ethics Commission. He recommended asking a representative come to talk to the Commission regarding the Commission's responsibilities on ethics.

He addressed Commission Hockman and asked him to go on record and state that he would not attend any attorney-client sessions and abstain from having any information regarding the Lake Park Marina lawsuit sent to him via e-mail.

Commissioner Hockman stated on the record that he had no problem sustaining from attorney/client sessions or receiving any information related to the Town's Marina lawsuit.

Mayor DuBois thanked businesses that donated money to put on the Art Festival. She thanked the residents of Lake Park for trusting the Commission and staff to serve them and for their interest in the things that go on in the community.

Town Attorney Baird distributed a status report and list of foreclosure cases in the Town. He explained that in most cases the Town would not recover any money from the foreclosure cases as the bank gets whatever monies are left over once the foreclosure process was complete. He gave a status update on the activities of the Town's Legislative Representative Fausto Gomez. He and Mr. Gomez would be participating in a meeting with Department of Children and Family staff regarding the legislation that they drafted and proposed to the legislative delegation. Mr. Gomez believes he had a

sponsor for the bill. Meeting with DCF would be the last item in the process to ensure sponsorship of the bill. He explained the bill and its function.

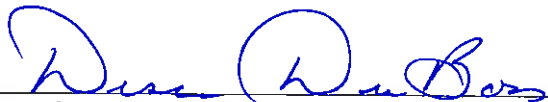
He gave an update on the outcome of the last Reasonable Accommodations Hearing. He stated that the Town was making progress in limiting the adverse affects of the sober housing issue in the Town.

Commissioner Osterman stated that it was the best news in the world to know that the Town was making progress with the sober housing issue. She thanked Town Manager Davis for making the recommendation of having a lobbyist for the Town.


Town Manager Davis thanked the sponsors who sponsored the Town's Art Festival. Their names were posted on Channel 18 and the Town's website. She stated that Chris Wayne and Associates came in and put in thousands of dollars of labor and plant material to enhance the downtown area at no cost as well as donated a tree for the Arbor Day Event. She stated that Mr. Wayne has done nothing but give back to the community and hold it up as a beacon of light.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission and after a motion to adjourn by Vice-Mayor Osterman and seconded by Commissioner Rumsey, and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 10:17 p.m.



Mayor Desca DuBois



Deputy Town Clerk, Jessica Shepherd, CMC



FLORIDA

Approved on this 2 of June, 2010

Mr. Hockman

asa@urassociation.com [asa@urassociation.com]

Sent: Monday, April 05, 2010 7:17 PM

To: Patti Osterman [poster@lakeparkflorida.gov]; Kendall Rumsey [RumseyCommission@aol.com]; Desca DuBois

Cc: Maria Davis

Dear Mayor Dubois,

In light of the recent disclosure of the possible conflict of interest with Lake Park's suit over the construction defects at the Marina, I feel compelled to write and voice my dissatisfaction with Mr. Hockman.

I was astounded to read the comments in the Palm Beach Post Mr. Hockman made with he announced he would not vote on the Marina lawsuit because of his ties with the defendant. He not only failed to disclose this information during the campaign, but he criticized the Town for filing suit. Mr. Hockman's comment in the Post article "the problem could be fixed with a wheelbarrow or two of sand." is an insult to the intelligence of the Commission and the residents. His actions demonstrates a lack of understanding of the election process as well as how government operates. His connection to the Defendant should have been disclosed during the campaign, which may or may not have changed the outcome. Making the statement after the fact of not knowing if he was going to get elected or not is irrelevant.

In my opinion, Mr. Hockman is lacking integrity and has no credibility, and therefore I feel he should resign immediately from the Commission.

I wonder what else is going to come out.
Sincerely,

Andrew Spilos
810 Lakeshore Drive #2
Lake Park, FL 33403