

*Mayor Castro-“That’s something that I’d asked staff to look into, but we can’t practice during the week. I think Doug’s gonna be bringing back to us a proposal because we do have extra money to get the lighting fixed as soon as possible. We’re getting bids from two (2) certified electrical guys and that should be coming to us at the next meeting, right Doug.”*

*Town Manager Drymon-“As soon as we can get it into your hands.”*

*Commissioner Longtin-“What are they bidding on. Do we have plans? Did we get an engineer to draw plans up?”*

*Mayor Castro-“No, they have to give us a rough estimate, and then we’d have to get them drawn up.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius-“The next thing is the letter that you sent to us on Code Enforcement. I believe when I ran for office, along with others who ran for office, said that we would not have the type of Code Enforcement that the person that ran this town before used. We want Code Compliance and then Code Enforcement. We would like to see the Code Officer go talk to the person in violation first, tell them he’s coming back. I’m not going to tell the Code Enforcement officer how to do his job. The Code says exactly what it is and that’s what needs to be enforced. For example, the Auto Part store on the corner has been in violation for a year. I want him to talk to them first and try to get them to come into compliance. I do not want him to take it directly before the Code Enforcement Board. If they do not respond to his request, then he can nail them. That brings up the Code Enforcement Board. They had two attorneys there. My concern is there were two (2) cases, all the rest came to some type of agreement. The price that I saw for administrative cost were \$125.00. One attorney made that in the first hour he was there. They should be more than that. There were several stipulations granted at the meeting.*

*I sat on the Code Enforcement Board for three years. We had a lot more than what I’m seeing now.”*

*Mayor Castro-“We’re not seeing anything anymore. There’s a lot more violations than what’s coming before the Board.”*

*Commissioner Otterson- “See what happens is that on a stipulation, maybe he’s got eight stipulations, and two that he couldn’t resolve in stipulations.”*

*Town Attorney Roselli- “Under the law, if there is a conflict of interest, there’s an attorney for the board and the master, the attorney acting as the finding of facts. They are representing different bodies.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius- “Do we need two attorneys? Do we need the Special Master or do we need the Code Enforcement attorney.”*

*Mayor Castro-“We need the Special Master for cases such as the one at Journey's End. We need him for the more complex cases. He will not be called unless we have complex cases in which we need him. We should not be eating all of the cost, and that fee should be spread out on the administrative fee. I don't want to put words in your mouth but we do have to have two attorneys there then those seven or eight cases should reflect the cost of those two attorneys.”*

*Town Attorney Roselli-“Right.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius- “Well, the bottom line is that we want Mr. Durgin (Code Compliance Officer) to enforce the codes, as far as the sign codes. These window sign codes are more talked about than anything else in the Town of Lake Park. The Code says four (4) square feet or twenty-five percent. What I don't like to see is the paper and tape in the windows.”*

*Town Manager Drymon-“Basically, as noted in Mr. Durgin's memo, they can put in a minimum amount of advertising that includes their name, address, contact information and that's about it. In areas outside of the PADD, we allow up to twenty-five percent of the total window area.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius-“Well, We were trying to come up with a complete different thing so that it will look decent downtown. What I want to see is code enforcement.”*

*Commissioner Longtin-“I didn't vote for this sign code. Actually I think this part of the Code needs to be tweaked.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius-“It's a very tough code.”*

*Town Manager Drymon- “Well, This is a part of trying to be more customer friendly.”*

*Vice Mayor Balius- “Greg is only one guy, there's only so much that he can do. I have a question about the island at the Marina. If you take and look at the island, there is a humungous silver box. What is that? You could've put an electrical box. I know that you cannot move it. I just want you to take a look at it. About these book, the Florida Trend. There nice articles in the back of the books regarding towns. Lake Park has got more than any of these articles in these books. We should be in these books.”*

*Town Manager Drymon- “Commissioner, as a matter of fact, staff and I are already looking into this. I think there is an interest by the staff at the Florida League of Cities to have information from the town of Lake Park. This facility, Town Hall and the hurricane of 1928 and the importance of this facility will be in an issue of Quality Cities.”*

***Commissioner Longtin***

*“I'm really sad because our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Lake Park Elementary and Town Hall) is coming up and all we're going to dedicate are two hours on a Monday, in the morning.*

*Big 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, Monday, November 11, 2003 for two hours at Lake Park Elementary, be there, please.*

*Vice Mayor Balius- "Whose going to be there to represent us?"*

*Commissioner Longtin- "Most municipalities have signs up for weeks ahead of time. It's our 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and I thought we were incorporating the two. I think its even worse that we're not doing anything."*

*Mayor Castro- "We celebrated on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "Why was the Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting cancelled?"*

*Mayor Castro- "There was nothing on the Agenda except the minutes. I made the decision not to have the meeting if all we were going to do was approve minutes."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "There should have been something on the Agenda. What's going on with the wall?"*

*Mayor Castro- "There was nothing on the Agenda. That's all I have to say."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "I think there should have been a poll. I wasn't even asked, I was told."*

*Mayor Castro- "There was nothing on the Agenda except for minutes so why even meet. I have a family."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "I don't know why there's nothing on the Agenda when in fact, there should have been. I understand. This wall we have been working on for years. I don't know why it seems to be taking so long."*

*Commissioner Garretson- "Well at the next, I would like a full update on everything that is going on."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "That's in two months."*

*Commissioner Garretson- "We could always have one sooner."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "Regarding the Community Development Department, I would like the Town Manager to utilize Calvin, Giordano & Associates as fully as he needs to until we get a director in there. I'm being told that they are under-staffed and things aren't getting done. I know there are problems there but until we get someone in there, he needs to utilize them as much as you need to, please. Get them in there forty hours a*

*week if need be. What are we doing with the Water Tower Road? Are we putting the monies back into the improvements?"*

*Town Manager Drymon- "There was something from Tom Baird's office from the Bond Counsel, basically stipulating that the money can be used within that area. I'm sorry Commissioner, I'm not aware of what specific projects have been discussed I think up to this point the determination was to find out if that money could be used or reimbursed. Since that question has been answered, I guess, the next step would be to move on and see what projects we want to do."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "Should we talk to the land owners? It's only \$300,000.00 but maybe we should get some input from them and tell them that it's only \$300,000.00. We've gotten word from Counsel that the money needs to go back in there. I know it's all a pretty fresh item for you Mr. Manager, but its something I would like to get done. How's the comprehensive plan coming along?"*

*Town Manager Drymon- "I just received a revised proposal from Calvin, Giordano & Associates tonight. I will review that and have it on the November 19, 2003 Agenda. They gave us a proposal and I reviewed it, talked to John Downes, their Jr. Planner, and made some changes to bring inline more of with the current contract that we have with them and you'll have it at the next meeting."*

*Commissioner Longtin- "Alright, free smoke alarms call 734-4023. Call the Clerk if want to get on a volunteer board at 881-3311. Volunteer some time at the library. [www.lakeparkflorida.gov](http://www.lakeparkflorida.gov). Thank everybody for coming and watching. My telephone number is 881-3309."*

*Mayor Castro- "Give blood and brush your teeth twice a day. I'd like to get an update as soon as possible on the City of Boynton Beach vs. the Town of Lake Park."*

*Town Attorney- "I can tell you a briefly about that. It is an eminent domain action. The town of Lake Park has a code enforcement lien against one of the people that own a property in the city of Boynton Beach that is subject to condemnation and the lien attaches to any property that is owned by the individual. We are named as the defendant, simply because of the interest in the property to be condemned and we filed an answer of affirmative defense in that case."*

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, after a motion to adjourn by Vice Mayor, seconded by Commissioner Otterson, by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Mayor Paul Castro

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Deputy Town Clerk, Stephanie Thomas

Approved on this 19th day of November, 2003.