

Fire Station No. 2  
977 26th Avenue North  
Naples, FL 33940



CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Neighborhood Town Meeting  
Time 5:00p.m.

Date May 8, 1991

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order and presided.

Present: Kim Anderson, Mayor  
Paul W. Muenzer, Councilman

Also Present:

Norris C. Ijams, Acting City Manager  
Mark W. Wiltsie, Assistant City Manager  
Tara A. Norman, Public Information  
Officer (Recording Secretary)  
Mary Kay McShane, Human Resources  
Director  
Missy McKim, Community Development  
Director  
Paul C. Reble, Police Chief  
Kevin Rambosk, Police Captain  
George T. Smith, Acting Fire Chief  
Sheldon Reed, Fire Marshal  
Glen Chesebrough, Fire Training Chief  
William Harrison, Finance Director  
Stewart K. Unangst, Purchasing Agent  
Christopher Holley, Community Services  
Director  
James Dean, Property Management  
Supervisor  
Larry Barnet, Public Works & Utilities  
Director  
Gerald L. Gronvold, City Engineer

Police Volunteers:

Mark Tull  
Jane Tull

News Media:

Gina Binole, Naples Daily News

Citizens:

Sue Smith  
John L. Norman  
Duke Turner  
John M. Hustler  
Locke Galbraith  
Robert J. Armstrong  
Alda Koener  
William Smith  
Jim Tedesco

Other Interested Citizens and Visitors

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Mayor Anderson welcomed everyone present and noted that she was looking forward to addressing challenges of the office to which she had been appointed the month before. One of her goals, she said, is to foster better communication between the administration and City Council and, to that end, some office staff responsibilities are being changed. Mayor Anderson then introduced Councilman Muenzer and Acting City Manager Norris Ijams who, prior to coming out of retirement, had served the City as Fire Chief for 14 years.

Acting City Manager Ijams reviewed the status of the City Manager selection process noting that the Council had determined to interview a total of eight candidates on Friday, May 10th, and because of the generosity of a local citizen, a boat was being provided so that a waterway tour of the City may be offered to the candidates. The only cost for this trip will be for snacks.

Mr. Ijams also encouraged citizens to contact the City with their questions and concerns and noted that a special City Council workshop would be held on Tuesday, May 28, to provide an in-depth review of the Utilities and Finance operations and what measures will be taken to correct past problems in these departments.

Councilman Muenzer also stressed that citizens should never hesitate to contact City Hall and that Neighborhood Town Meetings were also held for this purpose as well as to allow the City to report to citizens.

Mr. Locke Galbraith, 4000 Gulf Shore Boulevard, representing the Park Shore Association, asked if the City would be providing containers for recyclable materials similar to those used in Collier County. Public Works & Utilities Director Barnet indicated that this had been looked into but that because so many citizens reside in Naples only part of the year, there was concern that containers would be damaged or stolen when not being used and also that the presence of the containers might signal when a residence is unoccupied.

Councilman Muenzer also pointed out that in addition to providing containers for recyclable

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materials, consideration also must be given to securing a dependable market for the materials so that the collection service would be economically feasible. Mayor Anderson suggested that further interaction with property owner associations might result in individual groups providing containers for the residents in their areas.

Another Park Shore resident, Robert Armstrong of 542 Pine Grove Lane, asked whether City ordinances prohibited the depositing of advertising newspapers and materials on residential yards. Mr. Muenzer confirmed the existence of such a regulation and that complaints are responded to.

Mr. Armstrong then asked what could be the City's reasonable expectations in recovering revenue from unbilled water usage. He also inquired about the status of cityhood for the Pelican Bay subdivision.

Finance Director Harrison explained that a group of volunteer citizens would be researching computer records, which are kept for the previous three years, to request payment from customers for an estimate of water used while their meters were not functioning. This payment must be voluntary and cannot legally be required. Councilman Muenzer also pointed out that the Council had just enacted an ordinance to assess treble damages for unauthorized connections to the City's water system. Public Works & Utilities Director Barnet stated that his staff would provide to the Council at the special workshop of May 28th a listing of the unauthorized taps which were known, including connection and system development charges due, and what had been collected to date.

With regard to Mr. Armstrong's inquiry about Pelican Bay, Councilman Muenzer reported that the Council had decided not to put the issue on the ballot. He said annexation of this development would mean a doubling of the size of the City of Naples with the majority of the population living in Pelican Bay. He also cited concerns that Collier County had already collected impact fees from Pelican Bay and, therefore, this revenue would not be available for the City to provide infrastructure and other essential facilities should the area be annexed. It would take an

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Stating that he was a retired public works supervisor, Mr. Jim Tedesco, 750 Mooring Line Drive, expressed concern at what he considered an excessive expenditure being proposed to repair a manhole. He compared the urgency of this expenditure with the need to correct substantial infiltration into sewer lines, and said that he felt he could provide guidance to accomplish the manhole repair at much less cost than proposed. Councilman Muenzer, City Engineer Gronvold and Mr. Tedesco agreed to meet to further discuss these issues in the near future.

Mr. Locke Galbraith then brought up the subject of inadequate service from the cable television franchisee and indicated that this may have been in part caused by a lack of competition. Mayor Anderson said that the City had attempted to encourage competing franchisees but that because of various circumstances, these vendors were unwilling to enter the market. The Council, she said, was nevertheless always willing to consider alternatives to service by one concern. Councilman Muenzer also pointed out that newly developing technology using small dish receivers would most likely provide considerable competition for in-ground cable operators in the near future.

Mrs. Sue Smith, 15 11th Avenue South, commented that the community had gone through a very unusual time and in the realm of public relations, citizens have not felt free to express their concerns at City Hall. According to the recent Naisbitt report for "Collier 2000," citizens should hold their elected officials accountable, she said, yet citizens have been harassed for doing so. Mrs. Smith cited former Acting City Manager Coggan's comments before leaving and Mayor Crawford's resignation letter as examples. Government should be running on checks and balances, but this had eroded and was not working from the top down. Mrs. Smith also questioned the advisability of the stormwater management utility currently being considered.

Duke Turner, 1230 26th Avenue North, said that in the many years he had lived in Naples he had seen ups and downs in local government, but pointed out that there are no organizations or individuals who have not also experienced high and low points.

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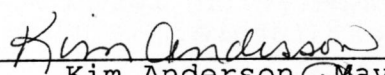
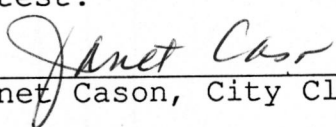
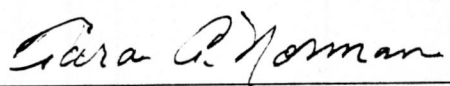
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<p>Perhaps the City may not have increased water rates soon enough, he said, but noted that in comparison to other communities, Naples rates continue to be very reasonable.</p> <p>Councilman Muenzer said that while he did not feel the City had waited too long to increase water rates, it would be in much better financial condition if what was owed it, including impact fees, had been collected all along.</p> <p>Mr. Turner also cited the work which had been done on the waterfront design study for the past year and a half. Although there had been some misconceptions about the extent of bayfront revamping which was being proposed, he urged continued citizen participation in this effort. Community Development Director McKim noted that Council would receive another update on this project and that the committee's final report would be forthcoming in June.</p> <p><b>ADJOURN: 6:00 p.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">         Kim Anderson, Mayor     </p> <p>Attest:</p> <p>         Janet Cason, City Clerk     </p> <p>         Tara A. Norman, Recording Secretary     </p> <p>These minutes of the Naples City Council were approved on June 5, 1991.</p>					