

**REGULAR MEETING
LAKE HELEN CITY COMMISSION
February 4, 2010
7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

A REGULAR MEETING of the City Commission of the City of Lake Helen, Florida was called to order by **Mayor Snowden** at approximately 7:00 p.m. Present were **Mayor Snowden, Commissioners Basso, Lane and Robbins**. Also present were **City Attorney Lonnie Groot, City Administrator Don Findell and City Clerk Nancy Wilson**. **Commissioner Burton** was absent due to family matters.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Snowden

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Snowden gave the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTES:

No minutes for this meeting

CONSENT AGENDA:

Bills – February 4, 2010

Commissioner Lane made a motion to accept the consent agenda
Commissioner Robbins seconded with the comment that the Pennysaver ad for Market in the Park be discontinued

City Administrator Findell said that staff has already been directed to do so.

Commissioner Basso asked about the bill for supplies/food resale under Platinum Plus. **City Administrator Findell** said it was for supplies paid for out of the general fund and food resale paid for by the Café.

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

PRESENTATIONS: none for this meeting

BI-MONTHLY REPORTS:

City Engineer – no report

Local Planning Agency (PLDRC) – no report

Historic Preservation Board – no report

Parks and Recreation Board – no report

PUBLIC FORUM

Dean Shoemaker

Shoemaker Construction

2525 Old Lake Mary Road

Sanford

“As you are all aware from the last meeting our apparent low bid for the Summit Avenue project was protested. The reason for that is because our bid package did not have acknowledgment of addendum number two. Addendum number two was a question that was asked to the City Engineer.” **City Attorney Lonnie Groot** interrupted and said that he talked to Mr. Shoemaker earlier. “It is my recommendation that he should not be allowed to discuss any evidence or facts or anything that he potentially could assert in a bid protest. But what I think he wants to say is that he's asking you to reconsider the vote by which you determined to reject all bids at the last meeting. Mr. Shoemaker, I know you want to say more, but my recommendation is that the Commission not listen to more because the other side is not here and that's where you would get into an adversarial proceeding about whether the protest was valid or invalid, whether this evidence was true, whether it was not true. Everybody has a right to be at the same place at the same time if that's going to be discussed. But Mr. Shoemaker does have a right to ask you to reconsider.” Mr. Shoemaker said, “I was made aware of the protest at exactly 4:40 in the afternoon prior to the meeting and given that I was not allowed to speak at the last meeting, my side was not brought to your attention though my protest was spelled out in a letter to you.” **Mr. Groot** responded that it wasn't necessary to have his side presented because all the bids were rejected. Mr. Shoemaker said the protest canceled his bid. Mr. Groot said, “That's really not correct but are you asking the Commission to reconsider the vote by which all bids were rejected? And would you rather have the protest heard and then engage in what happened in your view as opposed to what happened in other people's view?” **Mr. Groot** said that's about as much from Mr. Shoemaker as you should hear. **City Administrator Findell** said the commission chose to reject all bids and to rebid the project. The project has been rebid and we've already held a pre-bid meeting and the bids are due on February 11th so the bids are actually due next week. The commission's decision to reject the bids was not based upon an opinion offered by the company that first indicated that they wished to protest it nor were they offered the opportunity to speak at the meeting when the bids were rejected. The bids were rejected by the commission based on their understanding of the delay that would be incurred by hearing the protest and the cost that would be incurred by the city by hearing the protest. So, basically all bids were thrown out. At this point in time to go back, and it's not that you can't revisit the decision but revisiting the decision will certainly delay the project longer and could cost the city considerably more as well.” **Commissioner Basso** asked if Mr. Shoemaker was rebidding the

project. Mr. Shoemaker said, "That is our intent, but as you know, our bid has been exposed." **Commissioner Basso** then asked if the bid documents have changed. **Mr. Findell** said the only difference between the original and the new documents is that the two addendums that were added to the previous document are now incorporated into the rebid document. And there was an addendum that was handed out at the meeting that was a further clarification that arose between the time that the bid package was published and the pre-bid meeting was held. Mr. Shoemaker said there is one other modification and that is that the road is one entire project with no alternate. **Mr Findell** responded that "the reason for that is that when the project was originally bid it was broken into a base bid and an optional bid because we weren't fully appreciative of whether or not both the base and the alternate could be accomplished for the amount of money that we had. As it turned out, the bids that we received fell within the amount of money that we had so rather than bid them as a base project and alternate we bid them as one project." Mr. Shoemaker said to Mr. Basso, "Another item, and the very basis for me standing up here, has also been changed in the project manual but I won't discuss that evidence. That paragraph has also been adjusted." **Mr. Findell** said he's not aware of this but he doesn't know that it would materially change the overall bid process. Mr. Shoemaker said the change is about the timeframe in which an addendum is supposed to be acknowledged by a contractor.

Commissioner Robbins made a motion to stand on the decision made 2 weeks ago – to rebid the project

Commissioner Lane agreed that the Commission should stand on their prior decision. "It makes the most sense based on timing. There's no perfect answer in this situation but that's the best answer for the City."

The consensus was that they would abide by their previous ruling to rebid the project.

Mayor Snowden expressed his appreciation for Mr. Shoemaker's interest and the fact that he had put forth so much in preparing his bid and his endeavor to help the city accomplish the project. "We have certain constraints that we have to deal with. I encourage you not to lose hope because we are a small city and we appreciate all those who pitch in and try to help us make this a better community."

PUBLIC HEARINGS: *none for this meeting*

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Consideration of request by James Evans to use the Lake Helen Police Department's pistol range

*James Evans
471 Pleasant St*

"Last year I came before at the commission and spoke about teaching a hunting safety class and I asked you at that time to give me permission to use the police pistol range on the second day of the class so the kids could shoot their guns. That's part of the requirement after they pass the test that they shoot a gun and go through a course to learn how to handle it properly. I've arranged to teach another class on February 20th

and 21st at the American Legion and I'm again asking you to use the police pistol range on the 21st. We had 33 people in the last class and they all passed the test and we didn't have any problems. I returned the consent letters from last year also. I have consent letters that I can use again this year." **Mayor Snowden** said he appreciates Mr. Evans' efforts to broaden people's understanding and appreciation and abilities to be able to hunt and handle firearms. **Commissioner Basso** asked if there are processes and procedures that we already have that give us guidelines for doing this kind of activity and has this been ordained by the chief? Chief Chester said he supports it and there were no issues. He said they just need to coordinate with the people using the ball field. Mr. Evans agreed and said there will be three instructors and they provide strict supervision. Responding to Commissioner Basso, Chief Chester said there's no policy for this, it's a unique request. Mr. Evans said we have insurance coverage by the state of Florida Game and Fish Commission.

Commissioner Robbins made a motion to honor Mr. Evans' request to use the Lake Helen pistol range on February 21st
Commissioner Basso seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

Consideration of request by Bill O'Hara from the American Legion to hold a fundraising event at the old Pyramax building

Bill O'Hara

1760 South Tanner Court

Deltona

"I got with the city and with Mr. Findell and Wendie and I think I've accomplished everything I was supposed to accomplish. What we're trying to do is hold a fundraising event for the Legion Post, maybe make a couple of bucks. We will be holding a wrestling match at the old Pyramax building. I've spoken to three of the four of you but unfortunately I couldn't talk to Mr. Lane. I'm not trying to hide anything. We're hoping to do this occasionally, if not monthly. I talked to the person in charge of the wrestling part of it and what we'd like to do, if we get permission, is to do this on a regular basis as a fundraiser for other operations such as the Boys and Girls Club and the food bank. I'm sorry for the short notice." **City Administrator Findell** said, "In this particular instance, I suggested to Mr. O'Hara that he request that the City Commission give permission for him to hold a special, one time, event until issues related to zoning and land use are ironed out. His original intent was to open a sports memorabilia store down at the Pyramax property. He's working through that process and there are still a number of items that he needs to address. The sports memorabilia business itself is a permitted use in that land use district. I suggested that his best course of action was to present this to the commission tonight and to get their permission to hold this one event and then we'll deal with the other ones from a broader perspective. I asked him to discuss the activity or events with the Police Chief to make sure that there weren't any public safety issues and to also contact Volusia County Fire Services to ensure there weren't any potential fire safety issues. He has done both you have a letter from fire services and the Chief is here to talk about the police issues." Keith Chester said, "We're trying to help out the Legion and with the Commission's approval, we would like to donate an

officer for use which is our reserve officer. I did request if this becomes a larger event that works well, that in the future they pay an officer to be there for crowd control and parking. I think it would be a nice gesture on the City's part to help out and get them started to see how well it works out."

Commissioner Lane asked how many people would fit into that venue. The answer was probably a few hundred people. Chief Chester said there should be adequate parking. It's going to be in the building where the furniture store or auction was.

Commissioner Basso said, "As long as it meets the guidelines of the police department, I would like to see some use of that space but I would like to see some occupancy standards evaluated. I don't want ticket sales to exceed the occupancy rating. Because of the late notice, the small number of tickets that are sold so far will enable this to be a good dry run." This is entertainment wrestling.

*Alan Cook
792 Oak Tree Lane*

"The original idea was for this to take place at the Legion itself but when you look at the size of that building, once the arena was installed, there wouldn't be much room. And outside wasn't a good option either. After a lot of discussion we decided that the Pyramax facility would be the best place to hold this."

Commissioner Basso made a motion to honor the request for the special permit for Mr. O'Hara, using a reserve officer and following the guidelines that the City sets forth for special events

Commissioner Lane seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

Mr. O'Hara provided complimentary tickets to the commission

Consideration of request by Mayor Snowden to allow Orange City's Mayor Strickland to use our city bus and waive the fee

Mayor Snowden said, "This comes as a request from Mayor Strickland. They are in the process of hiring a City Manager in Orange City. Because Orange City doesn't have a vehicle big enough to hold all the prospective applicants who the Mayor wants to drive around Orange City, they have requested the use of our bus. We've had a good, long-standing relationship with Orange City and they are a good neighbor. They've always reached out and helped us so I'm making this request on his behalf."

Commissioner Lane made a motion to approve this request. "It's a good opportunity for us to repay some goodwill."

Commissioner Basso seconded

Commissioner Robbins asked if we are providing the driver. Mayor Snowden answered "yes". **Mr. Findell** said, "The reason we are providing the driver is because our bus is unique and we want somebody driving it who knows it and understands its idiosyncrasies." Keith Chester said Joey Rushworth is capable of driving the bus

because he has in the past so I would like him to be approved if Wally is not available. Mr. Chester also said he'd like us to pay for the fuel because "Orange City has been extremely generous with us, they've donated officers for free and paid for the fuel, the officers and everything and they gave us two police cars so I think that it's something we should do for them." **Commissioner Robbins** asked if they needed to provide us with some sort of rider or will our insurance cover them. **City Attorney Groot** said our insurance will continue to cover the activities under our sovereign immunity and their insurance will cover their sovereign immunity. The City Clerk was instructed to inform Orange City that the bus is not ADA compliant

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

Consideration of PLDRC recommendation to conduct a right-of-way survey on Michigan and Orange Avenues from Pleasant Street to Lemon Avenue

City Administrator Findell said, "The background of this goes back to the preparation and approval of the fiscal year 2009-2010 general fund budget. In that budget, we included \$23,000 for sidewalk construction. The funding source for that was accumulated impact fees associated with roads and streets and by extension sidewalks. The PLDRC was asked to mull over where they'd like to see these funds utilized. Last year, they isolated a number of areas where they felt that sidewalks would be desirable. During their discussions regarding potential sidewalk projects, the PLDRC determined, from a safety standpoint, that the most important potential sidewalk project would be the construction of a sidewalk paralleling Lake Helen Lake from Pleasant Street to Lemon Avenue. This is a scenic area that is highly traveled by both pedestrians and vehicles. It is also an area that is considered to be dangerous for pedestrian travel because of the sharp curve and the Michigan and Orange Avenue intersection, the short sight distance in the vicinity of the curve, the perceived narrow pavement width of the road, the presence of fencing and vegetation located immediately adjacent to the pavement surface on the northwest side of the road and the presence of the ditch and vegetation located immediately adjacent to the pavement surface on the east side of the road. The PLDRC feels that it is important for the City to consider improving pedestrian safety in the Michigan/Orange Avenue area through the construction of a sidewalk/boardwalk. They also realize that given the physical and topographic conditions in the area, it would be necessary to have a survey conducted to delineate the location of the right-of-way on Michigan and Orange Avenues from Pleasant Street to Lemon Avenue. The PLDRC is recommending to the City Commission that the first priority for the use of impact fee-related sidewalk construction funds be to pay for a right-of-way survey of Michigan and Orange Avenues from Pleasant Street to Lemon Avenue." **Mayor Snowden** said there have been accidents in this location which is why the speed limit was changed to 15 mph around the curve. "We have looked at this over the last few years because there have been requests to put a sidewalk in. On the south side of the road, I talked to the Martins and they agreed to surrender a portion of their yard to accommodate a right-of-way if necessary." **Commissioner Basso** asked about the cost of the survey. **Mr. Findell** said he didn't know, it would have to be bid out. He then asked if that road is slated for repaving to which Mr. Findell answered no. **Commissioner Lane** asked if it will come out of the \$23,000 fund and is that what the PLDRC would like to address first with the money? **Mr. Findell** answered yes and said, "These are not funds that can be

used for any other items. They can be used for roads and streets and sidewalks but they can't be used for what we consider other general fund items.” **Mayor Snowden** said it would also provide an opportunity to evaluate storm water issues and drainage issues in the area. **Mr. Findell** said, “Those issues would most likely have to be addressed if a sidewalk or boardwalk is constructed in that area.” **Commissioner Basso** said he understood that all that’s there now is an equalizing pipe and it is suspect. There should be an overflow weir on the backside to control the elevation. **Mr. Findell** said the equalizing pipe works well as long as it's cleaned out. **Mayor Snowden** added that the equalizing pipe was installed in 1962 after Hurricane Donna when it was a shell road. He said Pleasant is out of alignment with the roadway so this exercise may help us identify that.

SIDEWALK ANALYSIS

Pleasant Street (Washington Avenue to Ohio Avenue) – approximately 660’; 40’ r-o-w; west side of Pleasant is Blake Park, east side is residences; sidewalk could be constructed on either side of street, but less complications, perhaps, on west side

Church Street (Joe Smith Lane to Main Street) – approximately 960’; prescriptive r-o-w; existing sidewalk is on west side of street; minor topographic issues for continuing sidewalk on west side, but can be done

Lakeview Avenue (Main Street to Barbe Street) – approximately 1680’; 50’ r-o-w; existing sidewalk on west side of Lakeview extends from Main Street to about 80’ south of Barbe Street; sidewalk construction on east side would encounter some potential topographic and vegetation issues

Barbe Street (Lakeview Avenue to Orange Avenue) – approximately 1320’; 40’ r-o-w; sidewalk most likely to be constructed on north side of Barbe

Orange Avenue (Barbe Street to Michigan Avenue) – approximately 2200’; 40’ r-o-w; sidewalk could potentially be constructed on either east or west side of Orange from Lemon Avenue to Barbe (approximately 1640’), but very significant constraints exist from Lemon to beginning of curve at Michigan Avenue/Orange Avenue intersecting point (approximately 560’)

Michigan Avenue (Lakeview Avenue to Orange Avenue) – approximately 1400’; 40’ r-o-w; sidewalk could be constructed on either north or south side of Michigan from Lakeview to Pleasant (approximately 660’); sidewalk would most likely be constructed on south side of Michigan from Pleasant to Orange (approximately 740’) because of lake on the north side of Michigan

Main Street (Lakeview Avenue to High Street) – approximately 1320’; 50’ r-o-w; sidewalk exists on north side of Main; sidewalks exist on south side of Main in the area of the intersection of Lakeview/Main and the intersection of Euclid/Main and sidewalks could be constructed in the remaining areas on south side of Main Street from Lakeview to High Street, although vegetation removal may be

necessary to accommodate a sidewalk along a portion of the Asa Gray Park property.

Main Street (Summit Avenue to termination of existing sidewalk east of Church Street) – approximately 1200’; partial 50’ r-o-w; partial prescriptive r-o-w ; barring r-o-w issues, sidewalk could be easily constructed on south side of Main Street

New York Avenue (Lakeview Avenue to Summit Avenue) – being constructed by Volusia County as part of the CR 4139 Road Resurfacing Project

Commissioner Basso made a motion to accept the PLDRC recommendation to conduct a right of way survey on Michigan and Orange Avenues from Pleasant Street to Lemon Avenue

Commissioner Lane seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

Consideration of Resolution 2010-01 relating to the ARRA Forest Health Improvement Initiative Grant

Mayor Snowden read the Resolution by title:

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN ARRA FOREST HEALTH IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE GRANT AND THE ENTERING INTO REQUIRED GRANT-RELATED MEMORANDUMS OF AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, DIVISION OF FORESTRY; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTING ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Administrator Findell said, “Resolution 2010-01 relates to the City Commission’s support for the submission of an ARRA Forest Health Improvement Initiative Grant and should a grant award be made to the City, authorization to enter into an ARRA Forest Health Improvement Initiative Grant Memorandum of Understanding Agreement and an ARRA Forest Health Improvement Initiative Grant Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. The resolution is a required component of the grant application package.

Commissioner Lane made a motion to adopt Resolution 2010-01
Commissioner Basso seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

Chief Chester requested that the next two agenda items be tabled until the next meeting.

Consideration of request by Chief Chester to approve the policy for use of the Scorpion video cameras

Consideration of request by Chief Chester to hire a Police Reserve Officer

Commissioner Basso made a motion to table items 7F and 7G
Commissioner Robbins seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

COMMISSION DISCUSSION: *none for this meeting*

STAFF REPORTS:

City Attorney - no report

Police Chief

"I've contacted NOAA and they did not have a solution for us regarding the siren. I'm currently working with someone with the county. We're going to have a meeting with somebody from the communications center in the near future." **Mayor Snowden** said there's been quite a bit of traffic enforcement on Lake Pearl and in other areas of the city. **Commissioner Robbins** asked for the number of citations written and the dollar value of fines collected. Keith Chester said they will provide a copy of the report.

City Administrator

"Thanks to Rick Mullen and the tree committee for working diligently to identify areas and numbers of trees that could be planted if we received funding from the Forestry Initiative Grant as well as the number and location of hazardous trees that can be taken down if we receive funding." **Mayor Snowden** said he's noticed city crews out surveying and working on this so we're headed in the right direction

Code Enforcement Officer

"At the last commission meeting Commissioner Burton discuss the issue of CJ and the pigs. They've all been captured and they are in the custody of Mr. Tommy Wilkins. CJ voluntarily surrendered them and signed possession of the pigs over to the city. The city now owns 10 pigs." After further discussion about possible legal issues, a motion was made.

Commissioner Robbins made a motion to give the pigs to Mr. Wilkins after the document surrendering them is reviewed by the City Attorney
Commissioner Lane seconded

All zones and the Mayor voted yes

MAYOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS BY ZONE

Zone 1/Commissioner Robbins

Commissioner Robbins asked Mayor Snowden: "At the West Volusia Summit meeting, it was brought up about the memorandum of understanding. I thought it was going to be on tonight's agenda." **Mayor Snowden** said, "No, that was not my understanding. After talking to the City Manager, Mr. Pleus, in Deland, he was going to prepare something and have a discussion with all the surrounding city managers. That was the last thing I heard from him." **Mr. Findell** said, "I have subsequently received an updated memorandum of understanding and a letter from Mike Pleus requesting that the city review some time during the month of February and act upon it if we can. I have some reservations that I'm not going to go into right now, regarding the memorandum of understanding and the way it is written. With all good intent and purposes, it lumps Lake Helen in with the rest of the communities in southwest Volusia and although it doesn't obligate us to do anything other than participate in discussions and interactions with the other members, the ultimate goal of this memorandum of understanding as it relates to implementation in the future, is to develop a plan for the provision of alternate water sources. The reason that's necessary is because the other communities have grand plans for growth that run contrary to what Lake Helen's plans are so their needs are much different than ours and their impacts are much different than ours. I think what we ought to do is I'd like each of you to look at the memorandum of understanding in the way I did. Be prepared to discuss those items in that agreement that we are on board with and those items that we aren't." **Mayor Snowden** said Lake Helen and the county had concerns with some of the verbiage in that draft so Michael Pleus said he'd get with the other managers and they were going to try to sift that out before it went before individual commissions. **Mr. Findell** said if that sifting has happened he's not aware of it. The Commission discussed this topic at greater length discussing how Lake Helen's growth and water needs are different from other communities.

Commissioner Robbins next mentioned a flyer about two properties to be auctioned: one located at the Ohio/Cassadaga Road intersection and a parcel on Westlake Drive. **Commissioner Robbins** moved on: "I got some 10/08-9/09 figures from the Finance Manager regarding the Café. This is not the final, but as of 9/09 they are showing a \$6490.85 deficit. We're going to have to take into consideration the charges that we pay in October or November that are accruals that still factor into the fiscal year of '09. We're 12 months behind, and with this, we're another four months behind with the current fiscal year. I'm very skeptical that we're making any real money. We have a Teen Program grant that's paying the person in charge at the Café. This is a grant that we received and it's probably the final year that we're going to get this grant. If this continues on... We're in the hole. How are we going to pull our bootstraps up from the hole? I can't continue to see money being spent. Our employees have not had raises and if we're pouring \$30,000 into this venture how can we get our people raises. We can't. I think we need to have a hard and fast discussion on this. We talked about it but nothing's happened. I think we need a workshop." **Mayor Snowden** said he thinks all the Commissioners want a workshop. "After looking at the figures, we really don't have a clear picture because inventory isn't factored in. Without a real clear audit of the process, it's hard to see where we are and where the Café stands financially." He

agreed that it would be good to have a workshop to look at where we are with the Café and the direction we want to go and how the community feels about the project, realizing it's still in its infancy. "We're moving forward. I don't know the answer, I don't want to suggest that I do. We need, as a community, to make that evaluation."

Commissioner Basso said, "I've been mulling this over for months now. Most of us here are invested in the Café. My family, through my businesses, has donated tens of thousands of dollars. We have a Police Chief who has donated hundreds of hours of his time. We have a group of people in the community who love going to the Café for a number of reasons. The problem is that it's come with costs – fiscal costs. That's not the only cost involved. Another significant cost is the toll on our Police Chief. He puts in hundreds of hours a year. We run close to \$250,000 - \$300,000 per year thru the café. At simple interest, if invested, that money could generate \$25,000 per year for the Teen Program. The other cost is the negative impact it has on competing businesses. It has another cost, people who frequent those establishments, if they go out of business, they'll be impacted. I know Keith well. He's a good man with good intentions but I believe it's left the track and I believe he should have an opportunity to get it back on track but all we show now are negative numbers. I don't think this thing should be dumped in the Commissions lap. I think a recommendation should be brought to us by Keith. He should have a feasibility study done. I have ideas about how to generate revenue and have Keith spend less time there and stop the divide in the community. I don't want to see it shut down. I really think it's up to Keith to take a step back and ask himself if it's worth it to him to put in all the hours he puts in." **Commissioner Robbins** said, "I just want to say one thing. I cannot and will not condone spending taxpayers money to subsidize this. I think next year, when we probably will not get another Teen Program Grant, and Keith has even said that the Teen Program is on its way out. I personally don't want to be held responsible for the grant possibly not being used the way it should be used. We're paying Kelly through the grant funds. This has gone on for two years now. She works in the restaurant, she works in the Teen Program. I don't know what percentage of time, I've never looked at her time card. Keith has said here in a meeting that he works 40 hours in the police department and 40 hours in the restaurant and that Kelly works 40 hours in the restaurant and 40 hours in the Teen Program. I don't think for the past 2+ years that anybody can sustain that level of working that long so I feel that the grant is being misused and I do not want to be part of that. I want to go on record saying that. That's just the way I feel." **Mayor Snowden** said they will revisit this after the zone reports.

Zone 3/Commissioner Basso

He received a letter from MPO. They've talked about a Cross Volusia Trail and it's on the top of their priority list

Zone 4/Commissioner Lane

Nothing to report

Mayor/Mayor Snowden

He announced Lake Helen's First Annual Health Fair on February 6th from 9am- 4pm at Blake Park. There will be 20+ vendors and lectures. "We didn't want this event to cost

the taxpayers any money so we weren't able to do too much advertising but we did some."

The floor was reopened to decide on a Workshop date whereupon the Commissioners would discuss the Café. The Commission spent almost 40 minutes giving their individual opinions and making comments about the Café. To hear the full transcript of this dialogue, refer to the online audio minutes.

The date the Commission settled on for the workshop regarding the Creative Arts Café was February 15th at 7pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm

Buddy Snowden, Mayor

Nancy Wilson, City Clerk