

OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

October 24, 1996

INTRODUCTION: A meeting of the Okaloosa County League of Cities Executive Committee was called to order on Thursday, October 24, 1996, at 12:00 PM, at the Upper Crust Restaurant, with the following in attendance:

PRESENT: Commissioner Heyward H. Strong, Jr., Valparaiso; President Councilwoman Brenda Bush, Crestview; Vice-President Councilwoman Sharon Slivko, Destin
Mayor Larry Trenary, Ft. Walton Beach
Mayor Libby Arcemont, Mary Esther
Councilman Al Swihart, Niceville
Mayor Harry Montague, Shalimar

ABSENT: Councilman Jim Kendrick, Cinco Bayou
Councilman Perry Cadenhead, Laurel Hill
Nick Nicholson, Board of County Commissioners

ALSO PRESENT: Helen Bourgeois, Recorder

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the President, Heyward H. Strong, Jr.

MINUTES: Motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the Executive Committee Meetings of 08-22-96 and 09-19-96.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Councilwoman Brenda Bush reported a balance of \$1629.64.

DOUBLE TAXATION: Commissioner Strong reported on an initial meeting with County Commissioner Nick Nicholson, who provided budgetary revenues and expenditures for the Sheriff's Department. The summary was reviewed and briefly discussed. A follow-up meeting with Commissioner Nicholson will be scheduled in November.

ARTIFICIAL REEFS: Commissioner Strong asked that names of representatives for the Artificial Reef Committee be forwarded to Mrs. Bourgeois, at 729-5402 (or fax 678-4553). Once the group is formed, grant applications can be researched and submitted.

COMMISSION ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT II: Commissioner Strong spoke briefly concerning the Commission on Local Government II, asking if the LOC would like to participate. Copies of information will be sent to all representatives.

FLORIDA LOC: Commissioner Strong said the Legislative Conference would be held in Tampa on November 14-15, 1996.

CINCO BAYOU REPRESENTATIVE: Commissioner Strong will contact Cinco Bayou to reaffirm the LOC's invitation to participate in meetings of the Executive Committee.

REPORTS FROM
CITIES:

Crestview - Correction of media misquote, where sewage overflow was stated as 100,000 gallons. Actual overflow was 5,000 to 10,000 gallons. New signal light installed on SR-87 at I-10. VA Nursing Home not coming to Crestview. Neighborhood Watch Day to be held Oct. 26th.

Destin - Destin's proposed charter amendments being confused with County's Home Rule Charter proposal, both on November ballot.

Fort Walton Beach - Requested and received explanations of purpose and accomplishments of LOC Executive Committee. Suggested President issue State of the League Report at term's end.

Mary Esther - Reported on Preservation 2000 Grant. Home Depot has option on land, but will deed six acres to City for park lands. "Word of the Week" program being discussed for entire area.

Niceville - Turkey Creek project ongoing, with Phase I complete. "Are You Okay?" program for senior citizens operational within the next month. Described program to distribute Christmas packages to senior citizens.

Shalimar - Reported on meeting with homeowners of enclave and annexation process. Homeowners must petition city, then city can proceed.

Valparaiso - EAR process nearing completion. Community effort to create "Yule of Yesteryear". Bayshore Drive Erosion Control projects completed.

NOVEMBER
COMMITTEE
MEETING:

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21st, due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

DECEMBER
DINNER
MEETING:

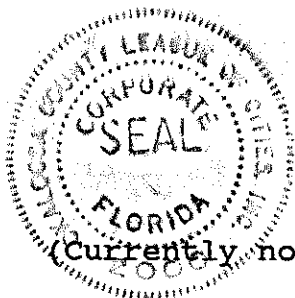
The next quarterly dinner meeting tentatively scheduled for Thursday, December 5th, with the Town of Shalimar hosting.

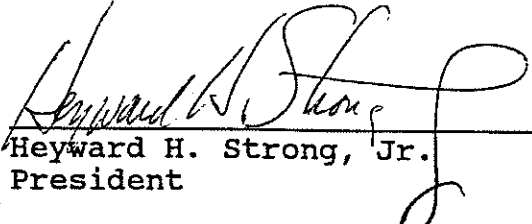
SECRETARIAL
SERVICES:

Secretarial services for the League were discussed and it was reaffirmed that each respective President will provide a recorder.

ADJOURN:

With no additional business to be brought before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.




Heyward H. Strong, Jr.
President