

OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES  
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING  
MAY 22, 1997

**INTRODUCTION:** A meeting of the Okaloosa County League of Cities Executive Board was called to order on Thursday, May 22, 1997 at 12 Noon, at the Upper Crust Restaurant with the following members present:

**PRESENT:** Councilwoman Brenda Bush - Crestview - President  
Mayor Harry Montague - Shalimar  
Councilman Jim Kendrix - Cinco Bayou  
Councilman Al Swihart - Niceville  
Mayor Glenda Glover - Fort Walton Beach  
Councilwoman Sharon Slivko - Destin  
Councilman Heyward Strong - Valparaiso  
Helen Spencer - City Clerk - Fort Walton Beach

**ABSENT:** Mayor Mike Blizzard - Laurel Hill  
Mayor Libby Arcemont - Mary Esther  
Commissioner Nick Nicholson - County Representative

**ALSO PRESENT:** Beverly Fields - Reporter - Crestview

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**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by the President, Brenda Bush.

**MINUTES:** One revision to the minutes noted and documented. (Warranties changed to warrants). Noted on original copy. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed to approve the minutes for the April 1997 meeting.

**TREASURER:** The Treasurer reported a current balance of \$1710.14.

**ISSUES:** Double taxation - will work the three cities only. Wanting to change the game on us. Wants to take from advolarm tax but we stated will take salaries just as discussed before. John Dowdy not pro-city.

Cooperative Library System: Working close with everyone on this issue. Feel good about this issue. Sending letters to all cities to respond to issue. Crestview in position where they have to move their library. Will be on most cities agenda for next week. Niceville will go for the new library.

Panhandle League dinner in Panama City on May 16, 1997 was very good.

Mayor Glover and Councilwoman Slivko in attendance.

Feasibility Study: Suggest you all read - good material.

Florida League Conference, Lake Buena Vista, August 21-23, 1997

Coop Building in Destin - Harbor Docks, June 19, 1997 at 6:00PM, each city ask to bring souvenir, more information forthcoming.

Quarterly Meeting hosted by Cinco Bayou on June 26, 1997 at 6:00 PM at the Fort Walton Beach Yacht Club.

**CITY REPORTS:** **CINCO BAYOU:** Yes for Cooperative Library System. Got rid of skateboard ramp but having problems with kids using drugs, drinking, using bathroom in bushes, etc. Any suggestions welcomed.

**DESTIN:** No reports

**SHALIMAR:** No reports

**NICEVILLE:** No reports

**MARY ESTHER:** Absent

**LAUREL HILL:** Absent, but plans to attend or send representative

**FT. WALTON BEACH:** Had large March For Jesus, big success, 3000 people participated, Brooks Landing. Cooperative Library System on Council agenda for next week.

**CRESTVIEW:** Relay for Life, May 16-17, 1997, American Cancer Society - was big success. New buildings on Raspberry Road, 500 new stores going up, flea markets under progress, new child care, new bank, new grocery stores, etc. Will help Crestview a great deal.

**VALPARAISO:** Working on Nature Trail, don't know how interested they are yet. Had 2 great Presentations in Valparaiso: (1) Oil Drilling presented by Federal Government (2) DER Presentation, both outstanding and very informative.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 1:00 PM

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Brenda Bush  
President  
Okaloosa County League of Cities

