

MINUTES
OKALOOSA COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
January 29, 1998

- INTRODUCTION:** A meeting of the Okaloosa County League of Cities Executive Board of Directors was called to order on Thursday, January 29, 1998 at 12:00 p.m. at the Upper Crust Restaurant with the following members present:
- PRESENT:** President Mayor Libby Arcemont, Mary Esther
Mayor Glenda Glover, Ft. Walton Beach
Councilwoman Sharon Slivko, Destin, Secretary/Treasurer
Councilman Al Swihart, Niceville
Commissioner Heyward Strong, Valparaiso
Commissioner Gary Combs, Shalimar
- ABSENT:** Laurel Hill Representative
Commissioner Nick Nicholson, County Representative
- ALSO PRESENT:** Secretary, Jason Yarborough, Mary Esther
Peggy Jimenez, Mary Esther
- CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by the President, Mayor Arcemont at 12:00 Noon.
- MINUTES:** No minutes were read at this meeting.
- TREASURER REPORT:** No treasury report was read.
- BUSINESS:** There being no agenda for the meeting discussion arose from the members. Commissioner Strong reported on the progress of the law suit against double taxation. The present status is still being reviewed by several city attorneys. Commissioner Strong requested that all information on the issue received by a city be faxed to all other cities the first of each month. All members agreed to this proposal.
- Mayor Glover, Ft. Walton Beach, requested that Commissioner Strong attend the Mayor's Advisory Committee to discuss the issues. Commissioner Strong accepted the invitation.

The board members discussed the 1% sales tax. Although the extra money raised would help in construction efforts for panhandle schools, it may also be used to subsidize construction efforts in Central and Southern Florida.

Commissioner Strong asked about HUD and CDBG grants in other cities. A board member stated that all federal requirements had to be met and Mayor Arcemont discussed the CDBG funding that Mary Esther is using to solve drainage problems.

Mayor Arcemont made a proposal regarding police monitoring of school zones. It was suggested that for one month the whole county should ticket speeding vehicles in school zones. Councilman Swihart spoke about walkovers for school children. No official action taken.

Councilman Swihart made a motion to change the by-laws so that the league would have semi-annual dinner meetings instead of quarterly dinner meetings. He also moved that the December meeting be held in November. No vote. After discussion among members, Commissioner Strong made a motion to have the by-laws changed to have the dinner meetings in January, April, July, and November. Councilman Swihart seconded, and this issue will be brought up at the March dinner meeting.

Councilman Swihart stated that he is going to attend an alternative water seminar in South Florida in February. A representative of Ft. Walton Beach will also attending. Mayor Arcemont mentioned that a representative from Mary Esther may be going.

Mayor Arcemont requested a report on the seminar be put on the agenda for next month, also the treasury report, and the changing of the by-laws. Anyone wishing to add to the agenda should call Jason Yarborough a few days in advance of meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Jason Yarborough
City Clerk of Mary Esther

