

**MINUTES OF THE OKALOOSA COUNTY
LEAGUE OF CITIES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 8, 2000**

CALL TO ORDER

President Glenda Glover called the meeting to order at 12 noon at Cinco Bayou Town Hall.

PRESENT

Councilman Dutch Payne-Cinco Bayou
Councilwoman Brenda Bush-Crestview
Mayor Glenda Glover-Fort Walton Beach
Councilwoman Fay Miller-Laurel Hill
Mayor John Thomas-Mary Esther
Councilman Al Swihart-Niceville
Mayor Gary Combs-Shalimar
Commissioner Heyward Strong-Valparaiso

ABSENT

Mayor Ken Beard-Destin
Commissioner Ray Sansom-Okaloosa County

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded to approve the regular minutes, as amended, of Thursday, April 6, 2000.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Fay Miller, Treasurer, reported all cities have paid their dues and luncheon fees and she will have the complete report available at the June meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on Water Computer Model

It was reported that Commissioner Sansom has sent letters to all the cities regarding the water model.

Update on Proposed 1-Cent Sales Tax

Mayor Glover reported a workshop is tentatively scheduled for May 30, 2000, at 6:00 p.m. at the Water and Sewer Building for cities to discuss the merits of using the Local Option Sales Tax to address major infrastructure needs in the community. Mayor Glover clarified that at today's meeting; those needs would be discussed among the cities in an effort to determine the most important issues for their voters.

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Major capital outlay projects common to all the cities included street overlays, renovations of city halls and libraries, improving police departments, replacement of vehicles, upgrading water and sewer systems, upgrading of recreational facilities and storm drainage, among others.

The consensus was that quality of life items could be acceptable not only to voters of each city but to residents of the unincorporated areas as well, and if presented to the County in the correct way, could justify approval of the sales tax through a referendum to be held in the future.

Update on Okaloosa County Leisure Service Department

Also discussed was the workshop held by the County on April 10 in reference to the Okaloosa County Leisure Services Department and what each city pays to keep up their recreational facilities.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Glover reminded everyone of the Annual Summer Dinner/Membership Meeting on June 9 in Panama City, and announced the City of Fort Walton Beach would host the OCLOC Summer Dinner meeting Thursday, June 15, 2000 at the Summerhouse Restaurant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS FROM CITIES

Niceville Announced the new library will open around the first of June.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Glenda Glover, President

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