

**MINUTES OF THE OKALOOSA COUNTY
LEAGUE OF CITIES
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 02, 2002**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Brenda Bush called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

THOSE PRESENT:

Councilwoman Brenda Bush – Crestview (President)
Mayor Gary Combs – Shalimar (Vice President)
Mayor Sara Carroll – Cinco Bayou (Secretary/Treasurer)
Mayor John Thomas – Mary Esther
Councilman Larry Williges, Designated Alternate - Destin
Councilwoman Fay Miller – Laurel Hill
Commissioner Shirley Ransom – Okaloosa County
Col. Jimmie Smith – Eglin Air Force Base

ALSO PRESENT:

Town Manager/Clerk Nell Webb – Cinco Bayou

ABSENT:

Mayor Glenda Glover – Fort Walton Beach
Mayor Randall Wise – Niceville
Councilman Heyward Strong – Valparaiso

MINUTES:

Motion was made by Mayor Combs to approve the April minutes and seconded by Councilman Williges and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mayor Carroll, ask for the March Treasurer's Report to be approved since no motion was given to approve at the April meeting. Councilman Williges motioned to approve the March report. It was seconded by Mayor Thomas and carried. Motion to approve the April report was made by Mayor Thomas, seconded by Mayor Combs and carried. The new balance as April 30th was \$3811.09. The balance represents April lunches \$63.14, April deposit \$12.00, the state fee for the Uniform Business Report was \$61.25.

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Bush reminded the Board about the annual summer Dinner Meeting hosted by the Northwest Florida League of Cities in Panama City on May 17th. Mayor Carroll gave a report on the possibility of renting a bus to go to the FLOC Annual Conference in Boca Raton. She asked that each OCLOC Board member take the information back to their Commissions and Councils and take a pole as to how many would like to ride the bus from each City.

Mayor Thomas suggested that each city and the Executive Board send a sympathy card to the family of Major James A. Duricy who lost his life in a plane crash. Motion was made by Mayor

Carroll to send the sympathy card, seconded by Councilman Williges and carried. It was decided that Mayor Carroll would get the card and sign it for the Board.

Mayor Carroll asked to consider rescheduling the July OCLOC meeting due to the regular meeting falling on July 4th. Mayor Carroll motioned to reschedule the meeting to the second Thursday, July 11th. Second was made by Mayor Combs and carried.

President Bush asked for approval of minutes from the February OCLOC meeting. Motion was made by Mayor Carroll seconded by Councilwoman Miller and carried.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS FROM CITIES:

Cinco Bayou – Mayor Carroll stated that Cinco Bayou will have the first hearing to approve the boundaries for the CRA at the next Council meeting. She also brought attention to the Bat House on display in the conference room.

Crestview - Councilwoman Bush stated Crestview would be celebrating the Old Spanish Trail Festival. She stated that the City of Crestview was growing rapidly and needed serious planning on the roads. She thanked everyone for his or her support of the Veterans Memorial.

Destin - Councilman Larry Williges stated they are in the middle of rewriting their comp plan. The intersection at Danny Wuerffel Way and 98 has been opened. Also Mayor Craig Barker will be the representative from Destin to serve on the OCLOC Board.

Fort Walton Beach – No representative present.

Laurel Hill – Councilwoman Miller said they got notification that their ISO inspection was coming up. That they needed a fire truck and had located one in the City of Apopka. While on the way back, the truck threw a rod and the City of Apopka just gave the truck to them plus a lot of fire equipment to go with it.

Mary Esther - Mayor Thomas reported that the city is trying to improve the taste of their water. They are also very concerned about the Hill Avenue problem. He would like to see an overpass put in to take care of the traffic. Commissioner Ramson stated that she and the Commission take the stand that the County should take care of their responsibilities and the cities should take care of their responsibilities.

Niceville – No Representative present.

Shalimar - Mayor Combs suggested that each town invite Casey Brooks from the Northwest Florida Daily News to visit each city. Next meeting he going to petition the county to exempt Shalimar, Cinco Bayou and Laurel Hill. He wants this to be on the agenda as a new business item.

Valparaiso – No Representative present.

Okaloosa County – Commissioner Ramson stated they started their budget workshops and decided that the millage will stay the or will be reduced. The new construction was down about a million dollars.

Eglin Air Force Base – Col. Jimmie Smith reported that the air show was very successful. Col. Byrd farewell will be the 19th of July and the farewell dinner will be July 17th.

NEXT MEETING:

Councilwoman Bush thanked everyone for attending. The next meeting will be June 6, 2002, at Cinco Bayou Town Hall.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.


Councilwoman Brenda Bush

06 JUNE 02
Date Approved

