



**CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA**  
**REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**October 25, 2011 – 7:30 P.M.**

The City Commission meeting was held in Fletcher Hall, located at 2200 N.E. 38 Street, Lighthouse Point, Florida 33064.

**Call to Order**

Commission President Gordon called the regular City Commission meeting for the City of Lighthouse Point, Florida, to order at 7:30 p.m.

**Invocation and Pledge to the Flag**

Invocation was given by Father Mark Andrew Jones, St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Mayor Fred Schorr (attended by phone)  
Commission President Susie Gordon  
Commission Vice President Michael S. Long  
Commissioner Thomas A. Hasis (arrived at 7:37)  
Commissioner Sandy Johnson  
Commissioner Glenn Troast  
City Administrator John D. Lavisky  
City Attorney Michael D. Cirullo, Jr.

Interim City Clerk Jennifer M. Oh  
Finance Director Terry Sharp  
Asst. Fire Chief Shawn Gilmartin  
Library Director Doreen Gauthier  
Police Chief Ross Licata  
Public Works Director Art Graham  
Recreation Director John Trudel

**Approval of Minutes**

A **motion** to approve the City Commission Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2011, with the condition that agenda item #5 related to the intent to reimburse the General Fund be changed to reflect that Commissioner Troast seconded the motion, was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and CARRIED 4:0:1 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

Absent: Commissioner Hasis (arrived at 7:37)

**Treasurer's Report**

City Administrator Lavisky read the Treasurer's Report for the period ending October 25, 2011.

**Boards:** Next Meetings:                    Planning & Zoning – November 1, 2011  
    Code Enforcement – November 15, 2011  
    Community Appearance – November 17, 2011  
    Special Magistrate – November 2, 2011

## **Departments**

Assistant Fire Chief Gilmartin reported that the annual Health Fair is scheduled for Saturday, November 5, 2011, at the Fire Department from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

## **Administration**

### **City Attorney**

### **Committees**

Commission President Gordon reported that the Halloween event is scheduled for Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, at Dan Witt Park.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

## **Ordinances:**

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| <p><b>1. Second reading and Public Hearing of an ordinance confirming the date of the City's 2012 General Municipal Election and qualifying period for the 2012 General Municipal Election. Advertised in the Sun Sentinel on Friday, October 14, 2011.</b></p> |
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A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

The Public Hearing was opened. No one having come forward to speak, the Public Hearing was then closed.

Discussion ensued regarding whether the City Commission should consider moving future general municipal elections to coincide with the November cycle in order to reduce the cost of elections. City Attorney Cirullo confirmed that a Charter Amendment would be necessary. He explained that the terms of office would be affected, as the November elections only occur in even-numbered years. To maintain staggering, terms would have to be changed to two (2) or four (4) years, and to make the changes contemplated would require the adoption of an ordinance and a referendum.

Consensus of the City Commission was to have City Administration research the option of moving future general municipal elections to the November cycle, determine what steps would be necessary for implementation, and place this item on a City Commission agenda sometime after the first of the year.

A **motion** to approve on second and final reading the ordinance confirming the date of the City's 2012 General Municipal Election and qualifying period for the 2012 General Municipal Election was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The ordinance on second and final reading carries the following title:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2011-0894**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA CONFIRMING THE DATE OF THE CITY'S 2012 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION, WHICH PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE 2007-0873 AND SECTION 101.75, FLORIDA STATUTES SHALL COINCIDE WITH THE JANUARY 31, 2012 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY; PROVIDING FOR THE QUALIFYING PERIOD FOR THE 2012 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**2. First reading of an ordinance to amend Ordinance 2010-0886, to extend the moratorium relating to pain management clinics until April 30, 2012.**

A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

A **motion** to approve the ordinance on first reading to amend Ordinance 2010-0886, to extend the moratorium relating to pain management clinics until April 30, 2012, was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The ordinance on first reading carries the following title:

**ORDINANCE NO. 2011-0895**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCES 2010-0886 AND 2011-0889, TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON THE APPROVAL OR ISSUANCE OF ANY NEW LICENSES OR PERMITS FOR ANY USES THAT INCLUDE THE ON-SITE DISPENSING OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES, EXCEPT FOR RENEWALS OF EXISTING LICENSES THROUGH APRIL 30, 2012; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Resolutions:** None

**Public Requests from the Floor:** None

**Communications:** Commissioner Long reported that there are two new restaurants in the City, Lito's Turf and Surf in the Beacon Light Shopping Center and Nauti Dawg located at the LHP Marina. As local business people, we are happy to have them.

**Adjournment:** There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

ATTESTED

APPROVED

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jennifer M. Oh, Interim City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Susie E. Gordon, Commission President