

**MINUTES OF THE HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
HELD JANUARY 25, 2016**

Mayor Sears called the Town Council Meeting of January 25, 2016 to order at 6:03 p.m.

Cub Scout Troop and Boy Scout Troop No. 254 led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Services Supervisor Ernest led the Invocation.

Present: Mayor Sears, Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel, Councilor Conroy, Councilor Mabry and Councilor Kearney.

Also Present: Town Attorney Blom-Ramos, Town Planner Harowski, Chief Thomas, Public Services Supervisor Ernest and Town Clerk Brasher.

Mayor Sears opened the Local Planning Agency Meeting.

**Town Council Sitting as the Local Planning Agency
Comprehensive Plan Consistency Determination for Ordinance No. 2016-001, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA AMENDING THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING CHAPTER 1, THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT, TO REVISE POLICIES 1.1.1, 1.4.6, 1.4.7, 1.4.8 AND TABLE 3 CONCERNING THE TOWN CENTER MIXED USE (TCMU) LAND USE CLASSIFICATION; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

Town Attorney Blom-Ramos read by title only, Ordinance No. 2016-001.

The Public Hearing was opened. As no one wished to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

***Councilor Kearney**, seconded by **Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel**, moved to recommend adoption of Ordinance No. 2016-001 to the Town Council. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.*

Mayor Sears closed the Local Planning Agency Meeting.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING

Lake Hills PUD Development Agreement (approve, approve with revisions, or deny)

Councilor Mabry, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel, moved to approve the Lake Hills PUD Development Agreement. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2015-005, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, LAKE COUNTY FLORIDA, ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONCEPTUAL LAND USE PLAN FOR THE LAKE HILLS MIXED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE 2011-008; PROVIDING CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Town Attorney Blom-Ramos read by title only, Ordinance No. 2015-005.

The Pubic Hearing was opened. As no one wished to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel, seconded by Councilor Kearney, moved to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-005. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-001, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA AMENDING THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING CHAPTER 1, THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT, TO REVISE POLICIES 1.1.1, 1.4.6, 1.4.7, 1.4.8 AND TABLE 3 CONCERNING THE TOWN CENTER MIXED USE (TCMU) LAND USE CLASSIFICATION; AUTHORIZING TRANSMITTAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Town Attorney Blom-Ramos ready by title only, Ordinance No. 2016-001.

Town Planner Harowski gave detailed background on the proposed changes.

The Public Hearing was opened. As no one wished to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

Councilor Kearney, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel, moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-001. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

First Reading of Ordinance No. 2016-002, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 2.02.17 TO REVISE

REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE TOWN CENTER COMMERCIAL (TC-C) ZONING DISTRICT AND BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2.02.04.D.12, 2.02.15.D.9, 2.02.16.D.9 AND THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TABLE OF ZONING DISTRICT DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS TO REDUCE THE REQUIRED MINIMUM SQUARE FOOTAGE OF A PRINCIPAL DWELLING FROM 2,000 SQUARE FEET TO 1,700 SQUARE FEET; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Town Attorney Blom-Ramos ready by title only, Ordinance No. 2016-002.

The Public Hearing was opened. As no one wished to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.

Mayor Pro-Tem Nebel discussed the adjustments of the setbacks. **Town Planner Harowski** said there are not a large amount of parcels that have odd shapes and discussed the hardship portion of a Variance.

Councilor Mabry, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel, moved to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 2016-002. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

BOARD REPORTS

Library Board Minutes – No comments

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Report (Sarah Maude Nature Preserve Update) and Minutes

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Chairman Ernest have background on this item.

Planning & Zoning Board Minutes – No comments

TOWN BUSINESS

Appointment to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to Replace Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel

Councilor Conroy, seconded by Councilor Mabry, moved to appoint Councilor Kearney to the MPO. Motion carried 5-0 with a roll call vote.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Code Enforcement/Police Department Report – Chief Thomas presented his report.

Finance Report – No comments

Library Director Report & Video Presentation – Library Director Hall did a video presentation which was thanking the Library for book donations.

Public Services Report – No comments

Town Hall Report – No comments

Discussion of Town Reserves

Mayor Sears gave background on this item. A lengthy discussion ensued.

Discussion of Training Session for Town Council and Planning & Zoning Advisory Board

Mayor Sears gave background on this item. Discussion ensued.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Sears – No comments

Mayor Pro-Tem David Nebel – No comments

Councilor Conroy – No comments

Councilor Mabry – No comments

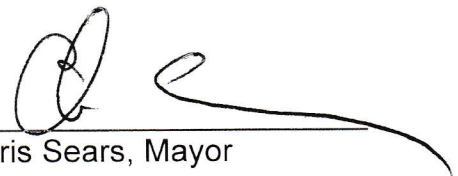
Councilor Kearney – No comments

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Peggy Ernest **asked for clarification regarding Parks & Recreation Impact Fees.**

Mayor Sears gave background.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.



Chris Sears, Mayor

ATTEST:



Brenda Brasher, MMC
Town Clerk