

**SNEADS TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2007**

The Town Council of the Town Of Sneads, Florida met in regular session at the Sneads Town Hall on Tuesday, September 11, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

President Greg Lewis called the meeting to order with the following present:

Greg Lewis, Donovan Weeks, Mike Weeks,
Jimmy L. Wright, Councilmembers.
Guy Green, City Attorney
Ed Kilpatrick, City Manager
Burt McAlpin, Police Chief
Sherri Griffin, City Clerk

and the following were absent:

Ricky Whittington, Councilman

Jimmy L. Wright made a motion to adopt the minutes held in August, 2007 as presented. Mike Weeks seconded. All voted aye.

Auditor for the Town Of Sneads, Dale Cavin of Grimsley, Cavin and Company presented the Annual Audit Report for fiscal year ending September 30, 2006. In presenting the audit report, Mr. Cavin told the Council that the Town's water and sewer system is not funding its operations, has borrowed from the General Fund the last couple of years and this could be a Technical Violation of the Town's Bond Ordinance. Mr. Cavin told the Council they were going to have to look at increasing rates. Greg Lewis asked Mr. Cavin about the technical finding of the Property Management Inventory. Dale Cavin told the Council that he has the detailed list for the Town, but the Town should continue to update its capital asset records to include date and place of purchase, costs and if associated with grant funds.

Clerk presented Resolution #07-05 as follows:

Whereas, the Town of Sneads, Florida, intends to apply to the State of Florida for FY08-09 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant consideration under the provisions as set forth in Chapter 62D-5, Part V, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.).

Mike Weeks made a motion to accept Resolution #07-05 as presented. Jimmy L. Wright seconded. All voted aye.

Sherri Griffin asked the Council for permission to open a checking account titled Town of Sneads-Water Main Construction Account as required by Rural Development for the Water Main Extension Grant 00-09 in the amount of \$180,000.00. Jimmy L. Wright made a motion authorizing Sherri Griffin to open the account titled Town of Sneads-Water Main Construction Account. Donovan Weeks seconded. All voted aye.

Cheryl McDaniel, Sneads Elementary Principal came before the Council to thank the Sneads Police Department for their assistance with the pick-up traffic at the Elementary School. Mrs. McDaniel said she just wanted to publicly thank the Police Department and Council for the Town's qualified police force.

Ed Kilpatrick presented the Council with the Managers Report. (See Attached) Ed Kilpatrick first introduced Mary Daniels, City President of PeoplesSouth Bank located in Sneads. Mary Daniels told the Council PeoplesSouth Bank would like to have the opportunity to handle some of the Town's accounts. Greg Lewis told Ms. Daniels the Town would like to bank locally and would like to see a detailed proposal.

Ed Kilpatrick introduced McKenzie Davis, Little Miss Sneads to the Town Council. Ed Kilpatrick told the Council that a request has been made on her behalf for a donation to assist with the National Peanut Festival she will be participating in. Mike Weeks made a motion to donate \$350.00. Donovan Weeks seconded. All voted aye.

Ed Kilpatrick told the Council he has drawn up the lease agreement with Ian Thompson of Ridgeland Homes to lease four acres of the Industrial Park for his business. Ed Kilpatrick told the Council that Attorney Green's Firm has reviewed the lease. Guy Green told the Council he would like to review lease further. Ed Kilpatrick also told the Council that he has been in contact with the Gloria Thompson, Division of State Lands and they have approved. Ian Thompson came before the Council and explained that he wanted to build affordable houses under a 7,000 square foot building on the acreage. Ian Thompson told the Council the homes once completed can be moved and set up on owners land, these were quality homes at an affordable price, base model is 1,400 square foot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths at a price of around \$75,000.00 for a complete unit. Greg Lewis asked Mr. Thompson about wind loads and how many people he expected to employ. Mr. Thompson told the Council the wind loads were 140 to 165 with available upgrades and expects to hire approximately 10 people initially and could grow and possibly employ up to 50 or 60. After discussion, Mike Weeks made a motion to approve the lease pending Attorney Green's review and approval. Jimmy L. Wright seconded. All voted aye.