

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE STUART CITY COMMISSION
TO BE HELD MAY 9, 2011
AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
121 S.W. FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**Mayor Jeffrey Krauskopf
Vice Mayor James Christie Jr.
Commissioner Michael Mortell
Commissioner Eula R. Clarke
Commissioner Troy A. McDonald**

**Also in attendance were:
City Manager Dan Hudson
City Attorney Paul J. Nicoletti
City Clerk Cheryl White**

Mayor Krauskopf delivered the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Commission.

PRESENTATIONS

**1. PROCLAMATION: Proclaiming Stuart Tourism Week
May 7-15, 2011**

Rozeta Mahboubi, Executive Director of the Martin County Convention and Visitors Bureau came forward and graciously accepted the proclamation. She invited everyone to the ribbon cutting for their new location on Thursday May 12, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

**2. PROCLAMATION: Proclaiming National Public Works Week
May 15-21, 2011**

Milton Leggett, Deputy Public Works Director came forward and graciously accepted the proclamation.

Mayor Krauskopf extended a personal thank you to the Public Works Department for their services.

Margo Graf, Director of the Martin County Habitat for Humanity came forward to thank the City for their support and efforts to the three newly built green houses in East Stuart. She presented three Gold Certified Florida Green Build Homes certificates to the City.

COMMENTS BY CITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Clarke thanked those who attended her Town Hall meeting and was happy to see the turnout of residents. She said there were some resident concerns over the water billing at the Crossings Development. She thanked Dave Peters for his work on the matter.

Commissioner Mortell said he met with some people as it relates to the Stuart Connector. He said they are looking at relocating some of their stops due to low ridership. He said there is no ridership from the Marriott to the downtown and stated that issue was going to be raised at the next Tourist Development Board Hearing, to try and raise awareness.

Vice Mayor Christie noted the Tallahassee Budget and changes that are coming to environment, healthcare and education. He requested from staff a breakdown of the lost revenue, and how that will affect the city.

City Manager Hudson said many changes will need to be looked at, and act accordingly.

Mayor Krauskopf noted an article in the May 2011 Yachting magazine where Stuart placed 5th place in "Yachting 50 best towns in the world."

COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager noted the following for the calendar:
May 23, 2011 look at discussing Master Plan City Hall Property. Include at 4:30 budget hearing.

He noted the rescheduling of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Woodlawn Park.

Public Works received 3rd place safety award for the Water Reclamation Plant. The award comes from the Florida Water Environment Association.

Added an additional item 3b to Consent Agenda

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE MOVED APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
SECOND: COMMISSIONER CLARKE
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Non-Agenda Matters Only – 5 min. max)

Veronica Pasquale came forward and stated that the loud noise coming from the Key Lime Café continues and is unbearable. She said the loud amplified music continued on past their closing time.

Commissioner Clarke suggested that the noise may have been coming from adjacent establishments.

Mrs. Pasquale said she witnessed the patrons of the Key Lime Café as the ones making the noise.

Caryn Yost Rudge came forward to complement the City Public Works Department and Police Department for their work and dedication. She also made critical comments of some of the City's leadership regarding the City's most recent actions regarding graffiti on her property at 1701 Palm City Road.

City Manager Hudson presented a brief PowerPoint slide show to the Commission and public of the ongoing Code violations at 1701 Palm City Road. The pictures showed the latest painting on the house and what appeared to be graffiti.

Commissioner Clarke asked what do the Rudge's need to do to get the property livable?

City Attorney Nicoletti stated that any day they choose they can come into City Hall produce plan documents, pay the permit fee, have a contractor, get a building permit, and start re constructing that property. Until that time the property remains boarded up, and if they do nothing eventually the City will take it down.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. RESOLUTION 34-2011 Authorization to consider a Special Zoning Exception allowing the Stuart Church of Christ located at 1041 SE 10th Street, to operate a Church within the R-2 Zoning District having less than the required five (5) acres (Quasi-Judicial)

Helen McBride came forward and expressed concern over the cars that are parking on the grass in the right-of-way along 10th Street. She suggested adding signage along the roadway for no parking.

Mayor Krauskopf asked if the City Manager could draft a letter for his signature notifying the School of this matter. He suggested a helpful letter instead of posting signs. He hopes to solve the matter before signs are erected.

Commissioner McDonald suggested reminding them at the next school year as well.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORTELL: MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 34-2011

SECOND: COMMISSIONER MCDONALD

ROLL CALL

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| MAYOR KRAUSKOPF | YES | VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE | YES |
| COMMISSIONER CLARKE | YES | COMMISSIONER MCDONALD | YES |
| COMMISSIONER MORTELL | YES | | |

3B. RESOLUTION 36-2011 36-2011 A- RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STUART, FLORIDA TO OPPOSE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GOLF COURSE IN JONATHAN DICKINSON STATE PARK AND DECLARING ITS SUPPORT FOR ALL EFFORTS TO PRESERVE AND PROTECT JONATHAN DICKINSON STATE PARK, AND PRISTINE HABITATS OF THE LOXAHATCHEE RIVER AND THE SURROUNDING WATERSHED

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MCDONALD: MOVED APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 36-2011

SECOND: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE

ROLL CALL

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| MAYOR KRAUSKOPF | YES | VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE | YES |
| COMMISSIONER CLARKE | YES | COMMISSIONER MCDONALD | YES |
| COMMISSIONER MORTELL | YES | | |

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

COMMISSION ACTION

**4. REQUEST TO CONTINUE TO THE REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2011
RESOLUTION 53-2010 Authorization to amend and re-approve an East Stuart Overlay District Special Exception with reasonable conditions for the Macedonia Community Outreach Ministries Veterans Home allowing a Group Home for homeless Veterans with 17 residents, including staff within the East Stuart Single Family Duplex Zoning District (SFD) located at 828 Nassau Avenue**

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORTELL: MOVED APPROVAL TO CONTINUE RESOLUTION 53-2010 TO NOVEMBER 14, 2011.

SECOND: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

5. ORDINANCE 2226-2011 (First Reading) Amending the Property Maintenance Code regarding the Parking and Storage of Aircraft, Vessels, and Vehicles

MOTION: COMMISSIONER CLARKE: MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2226-2011 ON FIRST READING

SECOND: COMMISSIONER MCDONALD

ROLL CALL

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| MAYOR KRAUSKOPF | YES | VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE | YES |
| COMMISSIONER CLARKE | YES | COMMISSIONER MCDONALD | YES |
| COMMISSIONER MORTELL | YES | | |

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

6. ORDINANCE 2225-2011 (Second Reading) Amending the Stuart Code of Ordinances relating to the Regulation of Leasing of City Boat Slips at Shepard Park

MOTION: VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE: MOVED APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2225-2011 ON FIRST READING

SECOND: COMMISSIONER CLARKE

ROLL CALL

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| MAYOR KRAUSKOPF | YES | VICE MAYOR CHRISTIE | YES |
| COMMISSIONER CLARKE | YES | COMMISSIONER MCDONALD | YES |
| COMMISSIONER MORTELL | YES | | |

DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION

7. Update on City of Stuart Community Outreach Efforts

City Manager Hudson gave a brief overview of the City community outreach efforts.

Vice Mayor Christie and Commissioner McDonald suggested looking at olding a Town Hall meeting North of the Bridge.

Commissioner McDonald also suggested outlining to the public, all the positive environmental projects that the City is involved with.

Commissioner Clarke suggested putting together a plan for the property behind the 10th Street Recreation center as well as the City Hall property. She also requested looking at the CRA in the East Stuart Area to bring it into focus with the rest of the City.

Commissioner Mortell clarified that the East Stuart area has had more infrastructure projects than any place in the City.

ADJOURNMENT 6:42 p.m.

ATTEST:

Cheryl White, CMC, City Clerk

Jeffrey A. Krauskopf, Mayor

**Minutes to be approved at the Regular Commission
Meeting This 23rd Day May 2011.**