

1 **DRAFT MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING**
2 **TOWN OF LADY LAKE, FLORIDA**

3 **December 6, 2021**

4 The regular meeting of the Lady Lake Town Commission was held in the Commission
5 Chambers at Lady Lake Town Hall, 409 Fennell Blvd., Lady Lake, Florida, with Mayor Jim Rietz
6 presiding. The meeting convened at 6 p.m.

7 **A. CALL TO ORDER**

8 Mayor Jim Rietz

9 **B. INVOCATION**

10 By Pastor Shawn of the North Lake Presbyterian Church

11 **C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

12 **D. ROLL CALL**

Commissioner (Ward)	Present
Hannan (Four)	YES
Kussard (One)	YES
Holden (Two)	YES
Freeman (Three)	YES
Rietz (Five)	YES

13 **STAFF PRESENT**

14 Derek Schroth, Town Attorney; Bill Lawrence, Town Manager; Thad Carroll, Growth
15 Management Director; C.T. Eagle, Public Works Director; Mike Burske, Parks and Recreation
16 Director; Chief Robert Tempesta and Lieutenant Nelson Vargas, Lady Lake Police Department;
17 Pam Winegardner, Finance Director; Nancy Wilson, Deputy Town Clerk, and Nancy Slaton,
18 Town Clerk

19 **E. CONSENTⁱⁱ**

20 **1. Minutes — November 15, 2021 — Special (Conceptual) Commission Meeting**

21 **2. Minutes — November 15, 2021 — Commission Meeting**

22 **3. Consideration of Approval of the Memorandum of Agreements for Utilizing the**
23 **Community Building as an Early Voting Site and as a Polling Place for Precinct #11 for the**

1 **Primary Election on August 23, 2022 and the General Election of November 8, 2022 (Mike**
2 **Burske)**

3 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions regarding the consent items.

4 Commissioner Freeman asked if the Supervisor of Elections normally handled this process.

5 The Town Clerk replied that the Lake County Supervisor of Elections Office requested that they
6 be able to use the community building in lieu of the second-floor library meeting rooms for
7 early voting as the traffic using the elevator posed a problem in the past.

8 Commissioner Freeman asked if the other precincts such as Precinct 85 should also use this
9 building.

10 The Town Clerk replied that the Supervisor of Elections was in charge of that type of decision.

11 **Commissioner Hannan motioned to approve Consent Items E-1 through E-3. Commissioner**
12 **Kussard seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.**

13 **F. NEW BUSINESS**

14 **4. Discussion and Recommendations on Utilizing the Surtax to Fund the Trail Project on Old**
15 **Dixie Highway (Mike Burske)**

16 Parks and Recreation Director Mike Burske presented the background summary for this item.

17 He stated the Finance Director could provide details if there were any questions about this.

18 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any questions by the Commissioners. There were no questions.

19 **There was a 5 to 0 consensus of the Commissioners to use the surtax to fund the trail project**
20 **on Old Dixie Highway.**

21 **5. Consideration of Approval to Put the Old Dixie Highway Trail Project Out to Bid (Mike**
22 **Burske)**

23 Parks and Recreation Director Mike Burske presented the background summary for this item.

24 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any questions by the Commissioners. There were no questions.

25 **Commissioner Kussard motioned to approve putting the Old Dixie Highway Trail Project out**
26 **to bid. Commissioner Hannan seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.**

27 **G. TOWN ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

28 **6. Ordinance 2021-22 (First Reading) — Rezoning — for Property Being Approximately 6.62**
29 **Acres Owned by Randy Heimos Life Estate; Referenced by Alternate Key Numbers 1121612,**
30 **1584876, 2700416, and 3793334; within Lake County, Florida; Rezoning from Lady Lake**
31 **Residential Professional (RP) To Lady Lake Planned Commercial (CP) (Thad Carroll)**

1 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

2 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
3 item. He stated staff has received several comments and questions about this project. He
4 stated several items have been revised as a result and this will be reflected in the MOA of the
5 ordinance prior to second and final reading. Mr. Carroll stated staff received questions
6 regarding when the RV holding tank would be pumped, which will be pumped during normal
7 business hours. This will also be included in the MOA.

8 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

9 Commissioner Kussard stated that staff answered her question regarding the RV pumping
10 station.

11 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance. There were no
12 comments.

13 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Kussard and a second by Commissioner Holden, the**
14 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-22, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

15 **7. Ordinance 2021-23 (First Reading) — Annexation — of Property being Approximately**
16 **150.72 Acres Owned by Mark and Susan Daigneau, Douglas A. Hill, Sr. Life Estate, and Levon**
17 **and Sarah Mears; Referenced by Alternate Key Numbers 1279763, 1770670, 1770661,**
18 **1771498, and 1770653; Located South of County Road 466 And East of Cherry Lake Road in**
19 **Lake County, Florida (Thad Carroll)**

20 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

21 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
22 item. He stated that the applicant filed applications to annex property consisting of 150.72
23 acres located south of County Road 466 and east of Cherry Lake Road in Lake County. The
24 owner desires approval for annexation with PUD zoning classification for residential use and
25 proposes combining with the existing Hammock Oaks PUD. The property will be served by the

1 Town of Lady Lake’s water and sewer systems and the Lake County Fire Department. The
2 application meets the requirements of the Land Development Regulations and conforms to
3 Lady Lake’s Comprehensive Plan. Five residential properties will be created as enclaves as a
4 result; the police department has verified that this will not create a problem.

5 Commissioner Kussard noted that Mr. Belliveau has noted that they will be requesting a
6 variance for a cell tower setback for the existing cell tower as a result of this annexation. She
7 asked for clarification of that request.

8 Mr. Belliveau stated the existing cell tower is 185 feet tall and is on the southern portion of the
9 property. The existing setbacks go from 330 to 700 foot setbacks. The developer will ask for a
10 setback of 200 feet since this will be an RV storage facility rather than residential. If the tower
11 were to fall, it would implode rather than fall laterally. He stated this variance request will
12 come before the Commission in February.

13 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance. There were no
14 comments.

15 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

16 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Holden and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
17 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-23, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

18 **8. Ordinance 2021-24 (First Reading) — Large Scale Comprehensive Plan Amendment —**
19 **Providing for a Change to the Future Land Use Designation of Property being Approximately**
20 **150.72 Acres Owned by Mark and Susan Daigneau, Douglas A. Hill, Sr. Life Estate, and Levon**
21 **and Sarah Mears; Referenced by Alternate Key Numbers 1279763, 1770670, 1770661,**
22 **1771498, and 1770653; Located South of County Road 466 and East of Cherry Lake Road in**
23 **Lake County, Florida; Change from Urban Low Density (Lake County) to Mixed Development**
24 **District/Traditional Neighborhood District (MDD-ND) (Thad Carroll)**

25 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

1 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
2 item. He explained that the applicant wants to amend the Future Land Use of the property
3 from Lake County Urban Low Density to Lady Lake Mixed Development District/Traditional
4 Neighborhood District. The applicant provided a Concurrency Determination Statement to
5 explain expected impacts on Town services and a justification statement to explain why future
6 land use should be amended. Mr. Carroll stated that road intersection improvements have
7 been coordinated between Lake and Sumter Counties since Cherry Lake Road is in Sumter
8 County, and Hwy 466, as well as Rolling Acres Road are in Lake County. He stated the
9 applicants are present if there are questions.

10 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

11 Commissioner Freeman asked for the definition of the requested land use Lady Lake Mixed
12 Development District/Traditional Neighborhood District.

13 Mr. Carroll replied that this comp plan designation allows for mixed use; both residential and
14 commercial uses.

15 Mr. Belliveau explained that the current county designation already allows four units per acre,
16 and the annexation of this property allows for the same amount of four units per acre. He
17 stated the future land use will be the same with this annexation, and traffic will be the same for
18 both designations.

19 Mayor Rietz asked which roads will be impacted the most such as Cherry Lake to the west and
20 Lake Ella to the south.

21 Mohammed Abdallah of Traffic Mobility Consultants agreed that the traffic generated by this
22 designation will be a wash on paper, although density of traffic should actually be reduced. He
23 stated the majority of the traffic will impact the Hwy 466 corridor to Hwy 301, east to west. He
24 stated they anticipate local traffic will increase with this development and reduce cut-through
25 traffic.

26 Commissioner Kussard asked if the developer will generate additional proportionate share for
27 Rolling Acres in addition to the Meucci property. She asked what type of improvements will be
28 made.

29 Mr. Abdallah stated he believes an their proportionate share will be north of \$650,000 for this
30 project and will include Rolling Acres Road. He stated in addition to that, significant
31 improvements such as road widening and turn lanes will be made to Cherry Lake Road and
32 Hwy 466 for safe and adequate access.

1 Mayor Rietz asked staff if the affected roads were all county roads. He stated his concern that
2 the county will not make necessary improvements.

3 Mr. Carroll replied that Cherry Lake Road is a Sumter County road, and Hwy 466, Rolling Acres
4 Road, and Lake Ella Road are all Lake County Roads.

5 Mr. Abdallah reiterated that they will be making improvements for access such as turn lanes,
6 etc.

7 Mr. Belliveau further explained some of the improvements they are required to construct
8 regarding the roads.

9 Commissioner Kussard stated it would be nice if the county would fix the issues in Lady Lake
10 regarding Rolling Acres Road. She stated the Commissioners cannot turn down development

11 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance.

12 Nancy Jordan Blackmore of 265 Olanta Drive in The Villages of Sumter County stated she
13 represents the eight homeowners who live directly across from the proposed entrance of this
14 development. She stated they are asking for speed limits to be reduced to 35 mph and other
15 traffic control. She read a statement regarding the concerns these residents have and asked
16 that Lady Lake be a good neighbor.

17 Mayor Rietz noted that they are trying to be a good neighbor regarding the traffic generated.

18 Mr. Carroll stated enforcement of traffic will be coordinated with the different agencies
19 involved.

20 John Curtis of Kolter stated he met with residents and agree there is traffic noise due to
21 speeders. He stated they will try to work with the design to implement items to meet the
22 residents' needs and mitigate the noise.

23 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

24 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Kussard and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
25 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-24, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES

Commissioner	Vote
Rietz	YES

1 **9. Ordinance 2021-25 (First Reading) — Rezoning — for Property being Approximately 421**
2 **Acres Owned by Triston Gustavo Meucci Life Estate, Louis Meucci Trustee, Mark and Susan**
3 **Daigneau, Douglas A. Hill, Sr. Life Estate, and Levon and Sarah Mears; Referenced by**
4 **Alternate Key Numbers 1279810, 3325451, 1279801, 1770700, 1279828, 1279780, 1279763,**
5 **1770670, 1770661, 1771498, and 1770653; Located South of County Road 466 and East of**
6 **Cherry Lake Road in Lake County, Florida; Rezoning Subject Property from Lake County**
7 **Agriculture and Planned Unit Development to Town of Lady Lake Planned Unit**
8 **Development–Mixed Use (PUD) (Thad Carroll)**

9 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

10 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
11 item. He stated that the applicant is requesting to amend the zoning designation of
12 approximately 421 acres within the Lady Lake town limits from Lake County Urban Low Density
13 and Lady Lake Mixed Development District-Traditional Neighborhood District to Lady Lake
14 Mixed Development District-Traditional Neighborhood District. The project proposed consists
15 of 120,000 square feet of commercial uses; 15,000 square feet of medical offices; 3,000 square
16 feet of general office uses, 940 units of single-family residences; 330 units of multi-family
17 apartments; 216 townhomes; 56.3 acres of parks and amenities and, 138.93 acres of open
18 space. Issues such as traffic will be addressed in the Memorandum of Agreement and can be
19 addressed prior to second and final reading.

20 Mr. Carroll stated there will be four access roads - two from Cherry Lake, one from Rolling
21 Acres, and one from Hwy 466 through the commercial portion.

22 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

23 Commissioner Kussard asked for clarification regarding the access roads to this development.
24 She asked for assurance that there would be no access from either Via San Polo or Plum Nearly
25 Lane. She asked if there is still to be an upscale market area.

26 Mr. Belliveau stated that access will be from Hwy 466, Cherry Lake, and Rolling Acres. The one
27 from Rolling Acres Road will be a gated access to the adult only units; no other access. He
28 stated that the market rates are upscale for the northwest section of the property and the
29 Kolter +55 is from \$400,000 to \$600,000.

1 Eric Morrisette of Kolter Homes confirmed that they plan some homes in the range of \$400,000
2 to \$600,000. Workforce housing will be built near the commercial area, and townhomes for sale
3 in the mid to high \$200,000s.

4 Commissioner Holden stated that 56 acres are slated for open space area. He asked if the
5 retention ponds will be considered as part of this open space.

6 John Curtis of Kolter replied that the goal is to maintain the tree canopy and keep the retention
7 ponds as a natural look. He stated the majority of the 50 acres will be open space, with a larger
8 pond outside of that area to reduce the stormwater. He noted design is still underway and
9 there are only six acres of wetland.

10 Mr. Carroll noted they will have to adhere to the Land Development Regulations. He stated the
11 standards call for 25% open space and active amenities such as pavilions can be part of that
12 space.

13 Commissioner Freeman asked if the exit on Hwy 466 will allow for turning both ways.

14 Mr. Abdallah replied that there is currently a turn-in, with no left hand turn out designed. A U-
15 turn opportunity will be west of Chula Vista.

16 Commissioner Freeman stated his concern that the trees be saved.

17 Mr. Curtis stated they will have the tree canopy reviewed by an arborist and they hope to
18 preserve it; it will be part of their site plan application.

19 Mr. Belliveau stated they would like to request that restaurants be added as a permitted use for
20 this development.

21 Commissioner Kussard asked if a restaurant would be public.

22 Mr. Belliveau replied any restaurant would be public.

23 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance.

24 Steve Estenson of 38042 Cherry Lake Road stated that there is a row of four to six foot diameter
25 century oak trees on the property line of the development. He stated he is concerned about
26 that the developer will not keep them as their canopy could be a danger to any homes built
27 nearby.

28 Mr. Curtis of Kolter stated they have designed a 20-foot buffer and will have more than an
29 adequate space to keep the canopy trees. He stated there may be some tree trimming needed.

30 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

1 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Holden and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
2 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-25, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

3 **10. Ordinance 2021-26 (First Reading) — Rezoning — for Nine Properties being**
4 **Approximately 74 Acres Owned by Miguel Matos and Rosa Perez, James Hartson and Daphne**
5 **Peters, Nicholas and Lark Capra, Waylon and Mandy Bibler, Joseph and Melissa Denham,**
6 **Richard Rotondo, and The Di Scala Family Trust; Referenced by Alternate Key Numbers**
7 **2688360, 2688424, 2688483, 2688556, 1809347, 1282420, 3777509, 1282454 and 3793364;**
8 **within Lady Lake, Florida; Rezoning Subject Properties from Lady Lake County Single-**
9 **Family Medium Density (RS-6) to Lady Lake Agricultural Residential (AG-1) (Thad Carroll)**

10 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

11 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
12 item. He explained that Ordinance 2019-19 prohibited agricultural uses in Single Family
13 Medium Density RS-6 zoning districts. The seven properties making up the 74 acres are in the
14 RS-6 district and are under separate ownership. There exists no water or sewer to the
15 properties nor a paved road. The parties to the rezoning application would all like to rezone
16 their properties to Agricultural Residential (AG-1). Mr. Carroll stated that the likelihood of the
17 seven properties ever aggregating is unlikely due to a number of circumstances.

18 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

19 Commissioner Kussard asked if these properties are currently on well and septic.

20 Mr. Carroll replied that the town's utilities do not reach these properties and they are on a
21 county road that is not currently paved.

22 Commissioner Holden asked if the town would have easements for future utilities if needed.

23 Mr. Carroll stated the town does not currently have easements; the county would have to be
24 approached.

25 Commissioner Holden asked if it would be easier to request easements at this time.

1 Mr. Carroll replied that he believes this could be easily secured in the future if need be; the right
2 of way currently belongs to the county.

3 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance.

4 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

5 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Kussard and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
6 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-26, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

7 **11. Ordinance 2021-27 (First Reading) — An Ordinance Adopting Corrections, Updates And**
8 **Modifications to the Capital Improvements Schedule of the Town of Lady Lake**
9 **Comprehensive Plan for Years 2022—2026 (Thad Carroll)**

10 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

11 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
12 item. The Capital Improvements Schedule is part of the Town’s Comprehensive Plan. The
13 updating process can be accomplished by adoption of an ordinance rather than a
14 Comprehensive Plan Amendment. The purpose for the Capital Improvements Element and the
15 Improvement Schedules is to identify the capital improvements that are needed to implement
16 the Comprehensive Plan and ensure that adopted Level of Service standards are achieved and
17 maintained for concurrency related facilities. The facilities include the water supply, sewer,
18 solid waste, drainage, parks and recreation, public schools, transportation, and mass transit.
19 The Town does not necessarily have financial responsibility for all those public facilities but is
20 responsible for incorporating the five-year capital improvement schedules from other entities.

21 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

22 Commissioner Freeman asked where the new wells will be located.

23 Public Works Director C.T. Eagle replied that Well #4 will be located at the Public Works facility,
24 and Well #5 will be replacing Well #1 at Clay Avenue.

25 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance.

1 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

2 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Kussard and a second by Commissioner Holden, the**
3 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-27, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

4 **12. Ordinance 2021-28 (First Reading) — An Ordinance Repealing the Second/Final Reading**
5 **of Ordinance 2021-13 (Thad Carroll)**

6 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

7 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
8 item. He explained that when submitting this to the Department of Economic Development
9 (DEO), he was informed this should have been reviewed by them prior to the second and final
10 reading. This ordinance will repeal that second and final reading; and will allow him to re-
11 submit the amendments to the DEO for review. It will be brought back most likely in February.

12 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners or public had any questions. There were no questions.

13 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

14 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Kussard and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
15 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-28, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

16 **13. Ordinance 2021-30 (First Reading) — An Ordinance Creating a Community Development**
17 **District for the Hammock Oaks Development on Highway 466 (Thad Carroll)**

1 Town Attorney Derek Schroth read the title of the ordinance.

2 Growth Management Director Thad Carroll presented the background summary for this agenda
3 item. On Monday, October 25, 2021, the Growth Management Director, Town Manager, and
4 Town Attorney met with Jere Earlywine, Attorney with the KE Law Group, Greg Beliveau of LPG
5 Urban and Regional Planners, Inc., and Eric Morrisette of Kolter to discuss the potential of
6 creating a Community Development District (CDD) for the project know as Hammock Oaks. At
7 the conclusion of the meeting, it was the determination of Town staff and the Town Attorney,
8 that the establishment of a CDD has no negative impacts to the Town.

9 A community development district ("CDD") is an independent unit of special purpose local
10 government authorized by the Act to plan, finance, construct, operate and maintain
11 community-wide infrastructure in planned community developments. CDDs provide a
12 "solution to the state's planning, management and financing needs for delivery of capital
13 infrastructure in order to service projected growth without overburdening other governments
14 and their taxpayers." Section 190.002(1)(a), F.S.

15 Mr. Carroll stated Mr. Earlywine is present if there are any questions.

16 Mayor Rietz asked if the Commissioners had any questions.

17 Commissioner Kussard read a statement expressing concerns about Senate Bill 728 regarding
18 CDDs and the possible inclusion of additional parcels.

19 Attorney Earlywine stated there is a provision for inclusion of other parcels; however, they have
20 no other parcels under contract at this time.

21 Commissioner Kussard asked if there is any chance that their CDD would merger with
22 properties on the other side of Cherry Lake Road.

23 Mr. Earlywine stated it is very unlikely; mergers are pretty rare, but he cannot state a definite
24 no.

25 Commissioner Kussard asked if Lake County and Florida Land and Water Adjudicatory
26 Commission have been contacted regarding this proposal.

27 Mr. Earlywine stated there are several statutes that cover this proposal and they are confusing.
28 Districts smaller than 2,500 acres are not required to file petitions with these entities.

29 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any public comments on this ordinance. There were no
30 comments.

31 With no further discussion, Mayor Rietz asked for a motion.

1 **Upon a motion by Commissioner Holden and a second by Commissioner Hannan, the**
2 **Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance 2021-30, by the following roll call vote:**

Commissioner	Vote
Hannan	YES
Kussard	YES
Holden	YES
Freeman	YES
Rietz	YES

3 Mr. Earlywine stated he believes the Commission will be happy with this CDD.

4 **TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT**

5 Town Manager Bill Lawrence reported that Light Up Lady Lake event will be coming up this
6 Friday, December 10th.

7 Mr. Lawrence requested that the Commission approve Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve fall
8 on Friday this year. He asked if the Commissioner would authorize those days off for the eight-
9 hour employees scheduled to work on Fridays, which would include staff of the library, Parks
10 and Recreation, and Utilities.

11 **It was the consensus of the Commissioners to allow the eight-hour employees off on**
12 **Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve this year.**

13 Mr. Lawrence gave kudos to Mike Burske, Parks and Recreation Director, as well as C. T. Eagle,
14 Public Works Director, and their staff. He stated it is reported to be the largest and best
15 Christmas parade yet. Many employees worked on the floats as well.

16 **H. MAYOR AND COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

17 Mayor Rietz asked if any of the Commissioners had anything to report.

18 Commissioner Hannan and Commissioner Kussard also gave kudos to Parks and Recreation
19 Director Mike Burske and Public Works staff.

20 Commissioner Kussard stated she believes more people attended this wonderful parade than
21 in past years.

22 Commissioner Holden stated it was mentioned this evening that Lady Lake’s impact fees are
23 the lowest in the county. He recommended that the Town raise their impact fees by the
24 amount allowed by the statutes. He asked for others’ opinions.

1 Mr. Carroll stated that the Town could address impact fees that we collect such as water and
2 sewer, but any efforts to increase impact fees for transportation would have to be coordinated
3 with other entities such as Lake County.

4 Commissioner Freeman stated he received an email from the Florida League of Cities regarding
5 House Bill 403 and Senate Bill 620. He stated his concerns that these bills may add more
6 bureaucracy on the shoulders of the Growth Management Director and the Commission. He
7 suggested the Commissioners pay attention and perhaps contact the appropriate
8 representatives.

9 Mayor Rietz commented that the Town's Christmas Parade was great, and well-received!

10 **I. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

11 Mayor Rietz asked if there were any comments from the audience. There were no comments.

12 **J. ADJOURN**

13 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

14 _____
15 Nancy Slaton, Town Clerk

16 _____
17 Jim Rietz, Mayor

18 Minutes transcribed by Nancy Slaton, Town Clerk