



INDIALANTIC

RECORD

OCTOBER, 1998

ELECTION '98

The General Election will be held Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

Indialantic voters will be asked to choose a Mayor and two Councilmembers and to vote on a referendum to purchase firefighting equipment.

At a Special Council meeting September 10, 1998 the Town Council unanimously adopted Resolution 98-15 providing for the referendum to approve the purchase of a new pumper and other necessary firefighting equipment at a cost of \$300,000. The downpayment is money we have reserved over the past 4 years as part of our Capital Improvement program for a purpose such as this. The lease/purchase financing provides for a discount of \$10,861 and allows us to keep our reserves at their current level. The interest rate we receive on those reserves is higher than the interest we will pay. Interest income on these monies is approximately \$40,000 per year which has allowed us to keep property taxes down in three out of the last four years. Please support this referendum.

All electors of the Town vote at Precinct 50 located at the Eastminster Presbyterian Church on North Riverside Drive. The polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Be sure to exercise your right to vote on November 3rd - it can make a difference.

Candidates for Mayor

Robert Cochran Jr

Robert Cochran Jr., is currently completing a third Council term. He served as Deputy Mayor in 1995 and 1997 and has been serving as Acting Mayor since April, 1998.

A 37-year resident of Indialantic and Melbourne Beach, Bob resides at 106 Seventh Ave. He is a state certified general contractor and a member of the Board of Directors of the Home Builders and Contractors Association of Brevard. He is also a member of the Brevard County Manufacturers Association and the Melbourne-Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce.

In the past, Bob has served the Town on the Zoning & Planning Board, the Ad Hoc Building Committee and the Indialantic Art Festival Committee.

He has been active on the Habitat Conservation Plan Steering Committee, created by the Brevard County Commission to preserve the Florida Scrub Jay and its habitat and on the Brevard County Manatee Protection Plan Steering Committee.

During Bob's term on the Council, property taxes have been reduced, drainage improvements have begun, and beautification of our parks has been and continues to be a priority.

Marlene Shelley

When Marlene Shelley and her husband decided to retire, they began visiting and researching various communities on the east coast of Florida. After careful consideration and many months of discussion, they decided they had already left their hearts in Indialantic. The small town atmosphere, beautiful beaches and friendly people were all deciding factors in their important decision.

After serving as a commissioner, secretary to welfare board and Republican county committee woman in a hectic community of over 35,000 people, Marlene welcomed the peaceful setting of Indialantic and its shoreline. Preserving the pristine condition of the beaches and dunes has become Marlene's main concern. She is aware of the damage caused by beachfront development, and feels a price should never be put on our wildlife and model environment.

Marlene Shelley is aware that the most important part of communication is listening. She wants to know how the people of Indialantic feel about the issues that face their town. She urges that everyone get involved. ask questions

As your Mayor, Bob will continue his "common sense" attitude toward Town government, fight against tax increases and strive to bring harmony back to the Council. Please feel free to contact Bob with your questions or concerns at 723-0406 or 722-3830.

and give their opinion.

Marlene is fully prepared to serve the people of the community, with their best interests in mind. She is a firm believer that if we all take an active role in our town's future, Indialantic will continue to be a perfect place to live. Take the first step, vote Marlene Shelley for mayor on November 3, 1998.

Marlene invites you to contact her at MShelley33@aol.com or call 728-5559.

CANDIDATES FORUMS

Mark your calendar for your two opportunities to meet the candidates for Indialantic Town Council. This year the Indialantic Civic Association will host a forum on Thursday, October 15 at 7:00 pm. The Indialantic Homeowners' Association will once again present their Annual Candidates Forum in conjunction with the League of Women Voters. This year their forum will be held Thursday, October 22 at 7:00 pm. Both meetings will take place in the Town Hall Council Chamber. The candidates will each give a brief statement presenting their reasons for running and the issues which are important to them. This will be followed by a question and answer session. These are public meetings - **all Indialantic residents are invited**. Please plan to attend and make yours an informed vote.

CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL SEAT 2

Mike Fisher

John MacNeill

Mike Fischer lives at 200 Orlando Blvd., with his wife Gail and three of their four children. The Fischer's have resided in Indialantic since 1987. Mike is Vice President and principal of a local commercial general contracting firm, and is not, as some would have you believe a "Developer."

Since 1992, he has had the pleasure of serving on the Code Enforcement Board (1992-1994); Budget and Finance Committee (1994-1997) and the Zoning and Planning Board (1994-present). In addition, he was a member of the Color Code Review Committee and the Occupation Fee Committee. These past seven (7) years of service to our town have provided him with the requisite experience and background to serve as your councilman.

As a member of the Town Council, Mike pledges to:

- Uphold the Town Charter
- Continue to hold the line on property taxes
- Work with our Police, Public Works, Fire and Administrative Departments to provide the best services possible
- Promote an open forum for all residents to feel comfortable in voicing their opinion(s) on issues relating to the town

John is a twenty-year resident of our Town, first coming here in 1960 and making Indialantic his permanent home since 1990. He operates a local business creating computer software.

He regularly attends Town Council meetings and actively solicits the opinions of residents and merchants.

His civic work includes a current term on the Planning and Zoning Board. He has served at every meeting since he was appointed. His agenda is to protect and preserve the natural residential character of our barrier island community. He's gravely concerned about the possibility of 15-story buildings sprouting up in our town.

When you elect him to the Council, John will continue his tradition of encouraging public discussion and participation, and will diligently research all issues before acting.

He wants to insure that Town Council Meetings provide a forum for open, informed discussion and genuine consideration for diverse ideas. John wants these meetings conducted with civility and respect.

in a respectful and professional environment

Mike would appreciate your support. You can count on him to be a positive and productive public servant. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mike during the daytime at 951-2052 or evenings at his home 984-2675.

Applying the standard of open government, John believes that orderly progress must include full exposure of all viewpoints, interests, as well as those who might benefit from official decisions by our Council or Town Boards.

John listens and knows why most residents like living here. With your help he will make responsible decisions with your tax dollars while respecting the Town's historical residential character.

macneill@digital.net or 723-6213

PLEASE NOTE - THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE INDIALANTIC TOWN COUNCIL HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM OCTOBER 20, 1998 TO TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1998 AT 7:00 PM.

CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL SEAT 4

Lisa Leger Frazier

Lisa Leger Frazier has been a resident of Indialantic for nine years. Frazier is self employed as an Environmental Planning Consultant. She is married to William Frazier, a thirty year resident, and they have two children, Audrey &

Bert Lee

I have lived at my present address, 131 Miami Avenue, since 1992. I was graduated from Florida Southern College in 1961 with a B.S. in Business Administration. I served as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Linda Frix Zell

222 First Avenue has been my home since 1994 (724-5361).

It has been an interesting year for our town; the election of two new council members, the resignation of the Mayor

Natalie and are expecting their third in February 1999.

Frazier has been a member of the Council since 1994 and has been involved in the Town's government since 1989 including the Parks/ Recreation/ Beautification Committee and the Planning & Zoning Board. Frazier represents the Town as a member of the Florida League of Cities and the Melbourne/ Palm Bay Chamber of Commerce.

In keeping with her campaign promises, Frazier initiated a downtown beautification and revitalization program, located grant funding for beautification and stormwater projects and enhanced communication through production of the Indialantic Web page.

During Ms. Frazier's four year term, the Town has seen an improvement in services, increased

I have had extensive business experience, including management positions with Sikorsky Aircraft and other manufacturing companies. I have also served as a marine consultant. Since 1969, I have owned and managed other businesses and at present have business rental properties and do mortgage investment.

I feel that our town is a non-profit organization which should be operated as such, without political or financial motivations. Indialantic has a charter, building and zoning codes, and a budget which should all be adhered to. Our seaside community's character should not be changed unless the residents express their desire to do so through a referendum.

The Town is a business, and the bottom line in any business is to get the most out of what you have to spend through rational,

and the departing of the Town Manager.

We have great opportunity before us. We are embarking on a journey and we must be candid and disciplined. We must commit to our objectives and map our journey carefully.

Everyone who is taking the time to read this is concerned about our town. Egos and motives must be recognized but not emphasized. We can accomplish much if we work together for the benefit of all.

My perception can be simply stated: Sunshine, not clandestine.

I believe we all strive for the same things.....to live and work in a beautiful place. To spend quality time with our family and friends and loved ones. To feel safe and secure while enjoying our surroundings.

property values and a reduction in taxes. Frazier believes in responsible representation of the majority of citizens through good government. She will continue to work towards repairing the reputation of the Town, preserving the character of the community and preparing it for

objective discussion - basically common sense.

If elected, I wish to maintain what we have in our community without any radical changes. I believe we are all neighbors and have the same interest.

As Councilwoman, you can count on me to:

- be informed
- be fair and impartial
- to listen to others opinions with objectivity and respect
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POLICE BEAT

The construction at the Police Department has been completed. As you may recall, the primary objective of this project was to relocate the communications center from the northwest corner of the building to an area adjoining the main hallway. With the project's completion, access to the Police Department is now available via the main Town Hall corridor 24 hours a day.

I have recently had discussions with several residents regarding notification of criminal activity in the Town of Indialantic. As a result of these discussions, information of this nature will be provided in the "Police Department" section of the Town's web site (www.indialantic.com). This information will become available on the web site during the month of October 1998.

As a reminder, I encourage residents not to make law enforcement related donations in response to phone or mail solicitation. Residents who wish to make a donation to benefit their local police department should do so directly to the Indialantic Police Department. This is the only way to insure that your donation will be used to benefit your community.

Crime Watch meetings are available by calling the Police Department at 723-7788. Tours of the Department are also available upon request. I look forward to seeing you at the Town Halloween Party on October 31st.

Jesse V. Geiger, Chief of Police

WASTE UNATTENDED

FIRE FACTS

Dear Citizens of Indialantic:

On Tuesday, November 3, 1998, the Town of Indialantic and your Fire Department will ask each of you to make a decision on whether or not to purchase a new fire truck. The truck that needs replacing is twenty (20) years old. It has served us well, but is now beyond economical repair.

Recently the Town's ISO rating (Insurance Services Office) dropped from a six to a four. In order to preserve that rating for the future and for me as your Fire Chief to continue providing each of you with the level of protection you count on, the Fire Department needs dependable equipment.

The new truck would have five times the pumping capacity, carry 2 1/2 times the amount of water, and be able to transport four times the manpower to an emergency scene completely enclosed for much improved personnel safety.

The truck will cost \$275,000 plus \$25,000 for equipment. The Town has \$80,000 in an equipment replacement fund and should expect approximately \$20,000 through the sale of the old truck. That leaves \$200,000 that could be satisfied through a lease/purchase agreement over 7 to 10 years.

I need your support. Please vote "YES" on the fire truck referendum. Thank you.

Tom Barker, Fire Chief

PUBLIC WORKS

The Town has recently purchased a street sweeper in cooperation with the St. Johns River Water Management District. This sweeper is also capable of cleaning stormwater catch basins. The operation of sweeping our streets and cleaning catch

basins will be beneficial to the Indian River by reducing the amount of silt that filters through our storm water system. Be looking for us on your street.

Thank you for participating in our hazardous waste drop off. This fiscal year we have collected 341 gallons of hazardous waste. These materials are transported to the hazardous waste facility in Cocoa and recycled or disposed of properly.

The Public Works building is open 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please call 984-5224 before dropping off hazardous waste. A short form must be filled out at time of drop off.

DO NOT LEAVE HAZARDOUS

KATHY'S KORNER

The residents of Indialantic can always pride themselves on living in a well maintained community. Our strict code guidelines keep property values high and assure a pleasing neighborhood. These codes have always been a top priority and work only with your cooperation. Please be aware:

- any grass area or lawn in excess of eight inches high is in violation
 - all fences and walls need to be kept upright, without gaps, broken sections or holes and free from deterioration
 - the exterior of every building should be kept in good repair - free from broken glass, loose shingles, crumbling stone or brick, faded colors, peeling paint, etc.
 - it is unlawful to park or store abandoned or junked vehicles on any private property in excess of five consecutive days
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BUDGET SUMMARY TOWN OF INDIALANTIC - FISCAL YEAR 1998-99

ESTIMATED REVENUES:

	Millage Per
Taxes:	\$1,000
Ad Valorem Taxes:	\$ 722,415
4.8451	425,882
Sales and Use Taxes	186,000
Franchise Taxes	44,548

EXPENDITURES

Town Council	\$ 13,128
Administration	146,978
Professional Services	51,600
Other General Services	253,978
Law Enforcement	782,279
Fire Control	239,537

Licenses and Permits	177,403	Protective Inspection	47,287
Intergovernmental	1,250	5 Yr. Capital Improvements	20,000
Revenue	146,652	Roads, Streets, Parks	234,828
Charge for Services	<u>119,500</u>	Recreation/Beautification	<u>34,035</u>
Miscellaneous	\$1,823,650	Total Expenditures	\$1,823,650
Revenue			
Fines and Forfeitures			
Total Estimated			
Revenues			

FROM COUNCILMAN RONDINONE

It is time for a new spirit of openness and cooperation in Indialantic. I would like to see things done for the benefit of the entire community - no more individual agendas. There should be cooperation and civility in conducting the Town's business at Council, and the Council must be operated under Robert's Rules, which has not been the case under our current Chairman.

Indialantic citizens should ALL be kept informed on matters that will affect their town, and any costs which may be incurred as a result of such changes. Indialantic residents and business owner's involvement should be encouraged, and their concerns should be listened to courteously, with a response given.

Major changes should go to referendum. Referendum items such as locking the building height limit where it currently is, would stop three Council votes from legally allowing high rises to be built in our town. I have already brought this item up at Council, trying to send this to referendum, to give you, the voters, the power to decide whether you want high rises or not. This was blocked by the two Council members currently up for re-election . . . why?

Finally, much attention and care should be given to hiring a new Town Manager. The Town Manager's position is a non-political, administrative, Public Relations position. We must be careful to hire a personable, honest Town Manager, who will not get politically involved.

Please remember that this is YOUR town, and your VOTE will help determine it's future.

FROM COUNCILMAN HARTMAN

This November 3, statisticians predict we will have one of the lowest turnouts in years. Don't be a statistic. Learn about the candidates, the issues, and the over a dozen amendments proposed for the state and county. Decide whether the town should borrow to buy a new pumper, or use savings.

One note of warning: the proposed state constitutional amendments 1-9 were written by combining a large number of unrelated ideas. If you are thinking of supporting any of them, try to read the entire amendment, not just the ballot version. You may find some unrelated item which will do more harm than the main topic does good.

Try to attend one or both of the candidate debates coming up at Town Hall. See you there.

Council Update

Ord. No. 98-7 - amends Sec. 17-103 to allow parking RV's for purposes of loading and unloading

Appointments:

Code Enforcement Board -	Norman Greer and Lawrence Williams
Sunset Review Committee -	Bill Collings and Ray Young
Board of Adjustment -	Brian Dullaghan
Budget & Finance -	Bill Vernon

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS!

It's back and better!!! The Town of Indialantic will once again be hosting a **Halloween Party** on Saturday, October 31, 1998 from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm. This year's event will be a neighborhood Block Party held at the rear entrance of Town Hall and in the Fire Department. Fourth Avenue will be closed off to all vehicular traffic. Well over 500 children attended our last Halloween Party and

The Parks/Recreation/Beautification is also busy getting ready for the holidays. Our traditional **Holiday Tree Lighting** will take place Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 pm. This annual observance of the holiday season will be held in Nance Park and will include a visit from Santa Claus and a brief Yuletide message. Refreshments will be served AFTER the program. Please mark you calendar and

we anticipate even more this year.

This party goes on rain or shine. DJ Bill Scheer of "Scheer Entertainment" will keep things lively. The fun will feature hay rides, games, costume contests for kids and adults alike and goblins aplenty in our Spook House, as well as refreshments and prizes. We're hoping this will be an extended neighborhood outing. So bring your family and that "creaky" lawn chair and join us!!

Thanks to everyone who volunteered and enabled us to bring the party back this year. But we still need your HELP!! Volunteers are needed to serve food, monitor games and assist with the hay rides and other activities. The second thing we could use is contributions of candy. It takes a lot of candy and treats to fill our bags for all the children.

If you can help in either of these areas, please call me at 723-7788 and volunteer. We sincerely thank you for your continued support and hope you and your family will be able to join us at the best Halloween Party yet.

Jan Acker, Chairman

make plans to attend.

For the past 13 years, Indialantic has honored the tradition of placing Luminaria to light the front of homes as dusk approaches on Christmas Eve. That's the time Santa is riding up and down all our streets on the fire truck, distributing candy to children and good cheer to all.

By lighting our candles we join in celebration with others in many towns across the country. Each year more people and communities join in what has become a thoroughly American custom.

The sale of luminaria kits will begin December 1 and continue through December 24. Once again, the candle kits will be on sale ONLY at the Town Hall. However, they will be available at the Fire Station on Christmas Eve.

Help keep our tradition alive and support the Parks/Recreation/Beautification Committee in this endeavor.

TOWN MANAGER'S MESSAGE

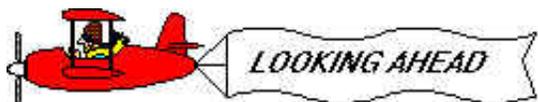
As many of you may know, former Town Manager John Lynch resigned effective August 25, 1998 to take a position in north Florida. The Town Council will be considering applicants for Interim Town Manager at upcoming Council meetings. The Interim will assume the duties of Town Manager until after the November election at which time the Council will begin interviewing to fill the position on a permanent

basis. In the meantime I have been appointed Acting Town Manager and Barbara Brownlie will be Acting Town Clerk. If we can be of any assistance to you, please feel free to contact us.

Improvements to the 200 block of Fourth Avenue are underway. The work will be completed in two phases in order to allow continuous access to Town Hall and our Police and Fire Departments. The project should be completed by mid November.

As detailed in the budget summary on the previous page, the Town Council on September 15, 1998, adopted its FY 98-99 budget of \$1,823,650. This budget includes a small cost of living increase in staff salaries (1.7%), procurement of a police car, continuing our computer upgrade, funding improvements for our parks and money to continue to seed our five year capital improvement fund. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Town Council, former Town Manager Lynch, the Budget and Finance Committee, department heads and those citizens who participated in the budget process for their interest, input, and cooperation.

Laura Eaton



Town Hall will be closed the following days:

November 11th - **Veteran's Day**
November 26th & 27th - **Thanksgiving**
December 24th & 25th - **Christmas**
January 1st - **New Year's Day**

CALL TOWN HALL

Town Manager723-2242
Town Clerk723-2533
Building Department727-3377
Public Works Department984-5224
Police Administration723-7780
Fire Administration723-0366
Police, Fire and Rescue Emergency .911

MISCELLANEOUS PHONE NUMBERS

Water Department (City of Melbourne) 727-2900
Electric (FPL)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

OCTOBER

13 10:00 AM Parks/Recreation
13 7:00 PM Board of Adjustment
15 7:00 PM Candidates Forum
22 7:00 PM Candidates Forum
27 5:30 PM Zoning Board
27 7:00 PM Town Council

NOVEMBER

10 10:00 AM Parks/Recreation
10 7:00 PM Code Enforcement Board
17 7:00 PM Town Council
24 5:30 PM Zoning and Planning

DECEMBER

15 7:00 PM Town Council
22 5:30 PM Zoning and Planning

The Sunset Review Committee meets every Tuesday at 10:00 AM at Town Hall

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Telephone (Southern Bell)780-
2355
Trash/Recycling (Harris Sanitation)723-
4455
T.V. Cable (Time Warner)254-
3300
Voter Registration255-4455
Driver's License Bureau984-
4930
Auto Tag Agency779-4009
County Offices633-
2199
Indialantic Post Office723-
1162

Tuesday at 7:00 PM at Town Hall.

The Volunteer Fire Department meets every
Tuesday at 7:00 PM at the Fire Department,
216 Fourth Ave.

**Current vacancies on Boards and Committees: Board of Adjustment - two
alternates; Zoning and Planning Board - one alternate; Sunset Review Committee
- one member. Applications are available at Town Hall and on our web site -
www.indialantic.com**
