



INDIALANTIC *RECORD*

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GOV'TS PROMOTE A BRIGHT FUTURE

Working to ensure a "Bright Future for Brevard," County and School District forces have joined with towns and cities across Brevard County to present proposed projects that are the subject of the November 4 referendum.

The Indialantic Town Council has determined that should this referendum pass, improvements to the Town will be as follows:

- storm drain system (replacing failing pipes and making certain improvements to the system);
- fire truck and police car purchases; and
- readying the Town's fire station, public works building, and Town Hall to better withstand future storms and hurricanes.



The Town's closed storm drain system, installed 40 years ago, consists of approximately 38,000 linear feet, or seven miles, of single coated metal pipe. Most of it needs to be replaced. The replacement cost estimate is \$3.07 million.

Funds will also be used to cover the cost of acquiring two fire trucks to replace the Town's 1987 FMC and 1999 Pierce fire

Pictures represent storm drain pipes removed from three different locations under Palm Avenue early

engines over the next twenty years. Police cars are routinely replaced approximately every five years.

Improvements to the Town's major public buildings are expected to consist of installing hurricane shutters and/or taking other suitable measures to ensure that the Town Hall, fire station, and public works building withstand a heavy storm as best as possible. This will help to ensure that they are serviceable after a storm.

The Town's share of revenue for the first full year is estimated to be \$184,000. This amount equates to over three quarters of a mill of ad valorem tax revenue (for FY-04 the Town's tax rate is 5.0089 mills).

The November 4 ballot question will ask voters to support or oppose levying a 1% sales surtax for twenty years with the proceeds being divided as follows: 1/3 to the School District, 1/3 to the County, and 1/3 to be divided among the various towns/cities based on population. Projects are listed on the County's web site countygovt.brevard.fl.us.

RECENT COUNCIL ACTION

August 19, 2003 Meeting

- authorized the Brevard Mosquito Control District to spray toward getting rid of mosquitoes
- approved the employee pay schedule for FY-04
- declared a 1995 Ford Crown Victoria (formerly used by the police and building inspection departments) as surplus and authorized the Town Manager to dispose of it

NEW FACES IN TOWN

Valentine's Stained Glass Studio - 850 N. Miramar – Stained glass

Aquarian Dreams – 414 N. Miramar – Gift shop

Stacy Gallo – 423 Fifth Avenue – Cosmetologist (Dream Weavers)



- adopted Ord. 03-08 amending Sec. 15-20 regarding parking commercial vehicles, trailers or heavy equipment



- adopted Ord. 03-10 extending the sunset provision regarding outdoor display in the C-2 district to December 31, 2004

- approved making application for \$50,000 in FRDAP funds to increase handicap accessibility in Sunrise Park

representative of Don Bo, Inc. applies the finishing touches to a portion of sidewalk installed along the west side of Ramona Avenue between Second and Third avenues. Sidewalk sections were also added along the south side of the 400 block of Second and the south side of the 300 block of Third to connect Riverside Drive and Palm Avenue. The new sidewalk was funded with \$18,313 in transportation impact fee revenues.

- approved making application for \$50,000 in FRDAP funds to increase handicap accessibility in Nance Park

- approved making drainage improvements to the 100 block of Sixth Avenue – estimated cost \$20,000

- agreed to modify requirements for outdoor cafes as recommended by the Zoning and Planning Board

FY-04 BUDGET ADOPTED

On September 16, 2003 the Town Council adopted its budget and millage rate for FY-04.

September 3, 2003 Special Meeting

- held the first public hearing on and tentatively adopted the proposed millage and proposed budget for FY-04

The adopted millage rate of 5.0089 is the same as the rate adopted for FY-03.

September 16, 2003 Meeting

- held the final public hearings and adopted the proposed millage rate and proposed budget for FY-04 (Resolutions 03-09 and 03-10 respectively)

The total budget of \$3,427,762 includes a General Fund budget of \$2,791,753 which provides for replacing police and fire radios, street resurfacing, limited drainage system improvements, computer and software upgrades for the Building Department, the replacement of a patrol car for the Police Department and pay increases based on the new pay scale as approved by the Council.

Many thanks to the members of the Budget and Finance Committee for their direction and input in formulating this budget. Copies are available for public review in the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall.

- approved final budget adjustments for General Fund for FY-03

- approved a 2.1% rate increase as requested by Harris Sanitation in accordance with the solid waste

franchise agreement

- adopted Ord. 03-11 adding a definition of “lowest floor” as required by the Florida Department of Community Affairs
- proclaimed October as National Arts and Humanities Month

UPCOMING BOARD AND COMMITTEE OPENINGS

There will be openings, including reappointments, on the General Employees' Pension Board, the Zoning and Planning Board, the Board of Adjustment and the Civil Service Board. Applications are available at Town Hall and on the web site – www.indialantic.com. For more information on meeting days and time for these or any board or committee, please call the Town Clerk's office at 723-2242.



POLICE BEAT

The Indialantic Police Department still has openings for Police Explorers. Age requirements are 14 to 20 or at least in the eighth grade.

Child seat inspections are now available for residents of Indialantic. A Police Officer will assist parents by demonstrating and then helping them install their child's car seat correctly. Please call 723-7788 to make an appointment.

On Saturday, October 18, 2003, the Indialantic Police Department will be hosting a children's identification detail from 9:00 am until noon. Officers will be fingerprinting children, giving out child safety information and supplying parents with child identification kits. In the unlikely event of a missing child, the identification kit will provide important

FIRE FACTS

People over the age of 65 face the greatest risk of dying in a fire. Last year, more than 1,200 Americans over the age of 65 died in home fires and 3,000 were injured in fire-related incidents.



Why are older adults at risk? Decreased mobility, sight, and hearing may limit a person's ability to take the quick action necessary to escape during a fire emergency. Depending on physical limitations, actions required to protect oneself from the dangers of fire may require help from a care-giver, neighbor, or outside source. The following tips can protect you and those you care about from fires and burns.

- Make sure smoke alarms are installed on each level of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Test them monthly and replace the batteries at least once a year

information such as a physical description, dental records, DNA sample, and other pertinent information.

The next Neighborhood Watch meeting will be Thursday, October 15, 2003 at 6:00 pm in the Town Council Chamber. All residents of Indialantic are encouraged to attend.

Officer Terry Tenpenny, Community Policing Officer

The Parks/Recreation/Beautification Committee recently presented the Town Beautification Award to Mr. & Mrs. William Antonetz, 218 Second Avenue, for recent landscape improvements.

To nominate a business or residence for recognition of efforts to improve and beautify buildings and grounds, contact Laurie Newman at Town Hall - 723-2242 or at lnewman@indialantic.com.

Public Works Update - Ron Cassedy
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Town Code requires that property owners prune trees on their property and on the right-of-way adjacent to their property. Maintenance of these areas is addressed in Code Section 5.5-68, Landscaping. If you have branches hanging over the street edge or sidewalk or limbs extending out at an intersection, they may be hazardous to motorists, pedestrians and emergency vehicles. Also at intersections, limbs may interfere with the ability to see stop signs.

The Public Works Department is currently trimming and removing any limbs and hazards that exist.

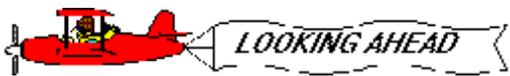
If you are unable to perform this task, please call Public Works at 984-5224.

...at least once a year.

- Caregivers are encouraged to check the smoke alarms of those who are unable to do it themselves. If you have no one to help you and you aren't able to do it yourself, call your fire department.
- Plan and practice your fire escape. Know at least two exits from every room.
- If you use a walker or wheelchair, make sure it can fit through all doorways. If you have special needs such as this, contact the fire department and ask that the information be kept on file.
- Never smoke in bed, near an oxygen source, gas stove or other flammable object.
- When cooking, never approach an open flame while wearing loose clothing and don't leave cooking unattended. Use a timer to remind you of food in the oven.
- Don't overload electrical outlets or extension cords.
- Never use the oven to heat your home. Properly maintain chimneys and space heaters.
- Take special precautions if you are on medication that makes you drowsy.

Know your abilities. When it comes to fire, don't be scared...be prepared.

We care about your safety. If you need help, please give us a call at 723-0366.



Town Hall will be closed on the following dates:

November 11 – Veteran’s Day
 November 27 & 28 – Thanksgiving
 December 24 & 25 - Christmas

The Town will be hosting the 8th annual Halloween Party on Saturday, October 25th from 4 pm to 8 pm. The happenings will again feature a hay ride from the Fire Station and a haunted house that will provide some unexpected Halloween surprises. There will be refreshments, entertainment, games and prizes furnished at no charge.



Sponsors are needed to work the games and refreshment stations. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Loren or Gabrielle Strand at 795-3457 or Jan at 723-7788. Come join the fun on Fourth Avenue behind Town Hall.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

OCTOBER			
	13	10:00 AM	
Parks/Recreation			
	15	10:00 am	Pension
Boards			
	21	8:00 AM	Heritage
Committee			
	21	7:00 PM	Town
Council			
	28	5:30 PM	Zoning
and Planning			
NOVEMBER			
	10	10:00 AM	
Parks/Recreation			
	18	8:00 AM	Heritage
Committee			
	18	7:00 PM	Town
Council			
	25	5:30 PM	Zoning
and Planning			
DECEMBER			
	8	10:00 AM	
Parks/Recreation			
	16	8:00 AM	Heritage
Committee			
	16	7:00 PM	Town
Council			
	23	5:30 PM	Zoning and Planning

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



The traditional Holiday Tree Lighting will take place Thursday, December 4th at 7:00 pm in Nance Park. This annual observance of the holiday

season will include a short program, a visit from Santa and refreshments for the kids.

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On the November 4 Ballot
County 1% sales tax referendum

No Municipal Election as Seat # 1 (Bruce Bogert)
and Seat # 3 (Vince Benevente) are both
unopposed with the withdrawal of David Charroux
