



INDIALANTIC *RECORD*

January, 2015



Mayor Berkman



Deputy Mayor Glass



Councilmember Hoffman

COUNCIL MEMBERS SWORN IN

Mayor David Berkman and Council members Stuart Glass and Jill Hoffman were sworn in by Town Attorney Paul Gougelman at the November 18, 2014 Council meeting. Councilmember Glass was selected to serve as Deputy Mayor for the next year. Additional appointments to represent the Town are as follows:

Space Coast League of Cities – Deputy Mayor Glass, Mayor Berkman alternate
Brevard County Water Supply Board – Councilmember Greer
South Beaches Coalition – Councilmember Dunn, Councilmember Hoffman alternate



Former Deputy Mayor Goldfarb presented a check to Corinne Ishler, President of the Rotary Club of Indialantic, in the amount of \$9,930.63 as co-sponsor of the 2014 Witch Way 5k. The Town also received that amount to be used for park projects. In addition, donations of \$200 were presented to members of the Indialantic Volunteer Fire Department and the Indialantic PTO Dad's Club for their support during the event.

RECENT COUNCIL ACTION

October 21, 2014 Meeting

- Accepted the performance evaluation for the Town Manager for the period of September 27, 2013 through September 26, 2014
- Ratified the agreement with the Coastal Florida Police Benevolent Association
- Approved sample paint colors to be considered for painting Town Hall

November 18, 2014 Meeting

- adopted Res. 15-01 approving the final budget adjustments for FY-14
- adopted Res. 15-02 designating personnel authorized to sign checks for the Town
- approved a mutual aid agreement between the Town and the Sheriff's Department, School Board, Airport Authority and other Brevard municipalities
- approved a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) application in the amount of \$1,000
- adopted Ord. 15-01 changing the Council meeting date to the Wednesday prior to the second Thursday of the month
- agreed on the paint colors for Town Hall

December 10, 2014 Meeting

- approved a parking meter use agreement with Bizzarro's and SouthBeaches Fitness Gourmet
- approved a request from Mitch Varnes/Smooth Running LLC for lane closures during the Melbourne Music Festival January 31 and February 1, 2015
- confirmed the appointment of Louis Giacona for the position of Public Works Director upon the retirement of Ron Cassidy March 1, 2015
- adopted Res. 15-03 – Budget Adj. #1 for FY-15
- approved the sale of Principal Financial Group common stock

PICNIC SHELTER APPROVED FOR ORLANDO PARK

Construction is projected this spring on a new picnic shelter for Orlando Park. The shelter is funded by a \$50,000 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant that will include picnic tables, swing set repairs, resurfacing the basketball courts, and providing an additional play item.

The twenty foot by thirty-six foot shelter will replace the four hundred and forty square foot shelter that was deemed unsafe and removed eighteen months ago. The new shelter will be located where the prior shelter was situated. Picnic tables will be purchased for the new shelter.

This effort follows the FRDAP funded grant project celebrated a year ago that realized new play items reflected as the Wavebreak, Dayton Express, tilted skyrunner, an eight foot slide, and two see saws.

NEW FACES IN TOWN

Ethel Bakke, LMHC – 105 S. Riverside Dr. – mental health counseling

Tropical Realty Beachside – 201 N. Riverside Dr., Ste. A – real estate office

Light House Thrift Store – 123 Fifth Avenue – home décor/used furniture

The Mitchell Law Firm, PA – 134 Fifth Avenue – law office

Law Offices of Emily Ann Crist, PLLC – 310 Fifth Avenue – law office



Public Works installing the seating area on refurbished dune crossover #16 – material costs provided through Witch Way 5k revenue



Atlantic Development of Cocoa is replacing the storm drain pipe under First Avenue at N. Ramona Avenue.



POLICE BEAT

The Police Department has received numerous complaints about IRS telephone scams. In these complaints residents have received phone calls from individuals claiming to be with the IRS who will demand money and will try to trick you into sharing your personal information. These individuals will know some of your personal information to include the last four digits of your social security number. If you don't answer their phone calls they are known to leave a message requesting a call back and will tell you that it is urgent. If you receive a call from a person claiming to be with the IRS and they are demanding money from you, it should be taken as a warning of fraud. Some signs that the call is a scam will be the person demanding immediate payment, they will demand you pay them without giving you the opportunity to question the amount they say you owe, they will require a specific payment method such as a prepaid debit card or a Green dot card, or if they threaten to bring in the local police or other law enforcement agencies and have you arrested for not paying. If you have been targeted by this scam or have been a victim of it the IRS asks you to report it to the Federal Trade Commission and to use their "FTC Complaint Assistant" at FTC.gov. They ask that you add "IRS Telephone Scam" to the comments of your complaint.

We have also received calls about other telephone scams where an individual will inform you that you have won a large cash prize and a new Mercedes. They will tell you that the only thing you have to do is pay the taxes on the money and the car. The scammer will tell you to get a Green Dot card, MoneyPak, PayPal or other pre-paid gift card. They will tell you to load the amount of money needed to pay the "taxes" and to call them with the card information. If you are asked to pay any money out of pocket before getting a prize, it's a scam. If you don't remember playing the lottery or entering a contest there is a good chance you didn't win anything. Be suspicious of anyone that you don't know asking you to send money over the telephone. These scammers prey mostly on the elderly and it is urged that you remind your family members, neighbors, and friends to be aware of these telephone lottery scams.

For further information or if you believe that you have been the victim of a scam, contact Detective Tim Weber at 321-723-7788 or email: tweber@indialantic.com

FUTURE MAINTENANCE PROJECTS REMINDER

Funds for street resurfacing have been included in the FY-15 budget for the following areas:

- Wayne Avenue (400 block) – last resurfaced in 1988
- First Avenue (400 block) – last resurfaced in 1983
- Deland Avenue (200 block) – last resurfaced in 1986
- Tampa Avenue (200 block) – last resurfaced in 1988
- Fourth Avenue (100 block) – last resurfaced in 1996

INDIALANTIC FIRE RESCUE

Greetings to all Indialantic Businesses and Residents.



I would like to start by once again thanking the many residents and businesses that continue to graciously donate to our Volunteer Firefighters Organization. Our Volunteers selflessly give of their time and expertise as firefighters and EMT/Paramedics each year which saves the Town a great deal of money.

As 2015 begins and the cold fronts become more frequent, we would like to encourage everyone to keep fire safety at the forefront of your daily lives. Electric space heaters are always a concern during this time of year so we would like to remind everyone of the following safety tips surrounding the use of these heaters: keep combustible items at least three feet away from the heater, do not leave the heater on while you are away from home, do not use a space heater while you are sleeping, plug the heater directly into the outlet rather than using an extension cord and if you must use an extension cord use a heavy duty extension cord rated for at least 16 amps.

One of the leading causes of home fires is cooking related incidents, and grease is the leading cause of kitchen fires. The easiest way to put out a grease fire is to shut off the burner and place a lid or some other non-combustible object such as a cookie sheet or skillet which covers the entire pan to cut off the oxygen supply. Once covered the pan should be left in place to cool, if uncovered too early the fire may reignite. Never attempt to throw water on a grease fire as the water will fall to the bottom of the grease and quickly turn to steam causing the grease to splash into the air and possibly spreading the fire and burning anyone within the splash zone.

We hope that all our residents had a safe and enjoyable holiday season as we look forward to a prosperous and safe new year.

Tom Flamm, Fire Chief

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The Indialantic Elementary School chorus spread cheer at the annual Tree Lighting ceremony in Nance Park



Santa arrived on the carriage provided by Gold Coast Horse & Carriage at the Town's Tree Lighting ceremony in Nance Park. Clarence Gipson and his horse, Coco, also provided rides around the park for tree lighting participants.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JANUARY

7	5:30 PM	Board of Adjustment
7	7:00 PM	Town Council
20	9:00 AM	Heritage Committee
22	10:30 AM	Police/Fire Pension
26	9:15 AM	Parks
27	5:30 PM	Zoning and Planning
28	6:00 PM	Code Enforcement Board

FEBRUARY

4	9:00 AM	Gen. Emp. Pension
11	7:00 PM	Town Council
17	9:00 AM	Heritage Committee
23	9:15 AM	Parks
24	5:30 PM	Zoning and Planning

MARCH

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

EASTER EGG HUNT

The Parks, Recreation and Beautification Committee is once again sponsoring the annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 28th in Orlando Park. The festivities begin at 9:00 am with visits from the Easter Bunny and Chicken Little. Come share some fun, prizes and surprises.



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