

**ORMOND BEACH CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
HELD AT CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

July 30, 2007

7:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Fred Costello, Lori Gillooly, Troy Kent, and Ed Kelley, City Manager Isaac Turner, City Attorney Randal Hayes, and City Clerk Veronica Patterson.

- 1) Meeting call to order by Mayor Costello
- 2) Presentation by the Budget Advisory Board
- 3) Discussion of FY 2007-08 Proposed Budget
 - A) General Capital Improvements Priority 3 Projects
 - B) Leisure Services
 - C) Stormwater Fee
- 4) Adoption of the Proposed Millage Rates:
 - A) Resolution No. 2007-103 adopting proposed millage rates for the 2007-2008 fiscal year; establishing the date, time and place for the first public hearing on the proposed millage rates and the tentative budget; directing communication; expressing legislative intent; setting forth an effective date. (3.011 for General Fund Operations, Facilities Renewal and Replacement, Capital Improvements and Transportation Improvements; .40 for the 2002 Refunded General Obligation Bond Issue and .03250 for the 2003 General Obligation Bond Issue.)
- 5) Close the Meeting

Item #1 - Call to Order

Mayor Costello called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Mayor Costello stated the maximum millage rate would be set tonight. He stated that it could be reduced at a later date if they found more cuts to the budget, but it could not be increased above the rate set at this meeting. He stated that the state passed statutory regulations of a 9% reduction beyond the roll back tax rate, which was a \$1.3 million reduction for Ormond Beach. He stated the Commission was tentatively prepared to adopt a millage rate that would encompass the \$1.3 million reduction.

Mayor Costello stated that in January there would be a constitutional amendment referendum which could result in another reduction of possibly \$2 million. He stated it was difficult to reduce the millage at this time because of the unknown of the January election. He stated that additional cuts could be added to the fund balance.

Item #2 – Presentation by the Budget Advisory Board

Mr. Rick Banker, Budget Advisory Board (BAB) Chairman, stated the board had six recommendations that could result in an annual savings of about \$956,000: 1) tennis center privatization or possibly leasing/selling the property. He stated there were 74 resident members and 35 non-resident members, and the cost of the program benefited few people. He stated putting the facility in a cash neutral basis would save \$142,000; 2) creation of a user fee to cover the cost of electriCity at the baseball, softball and soccer fields. He stated they calculated that a user fee would save about \$130,000; 3) elimination of \$15.00 per child subsidy for sports associations or a savings of about \$24,000; 4) immediately increase all Leisure Services fees by 30% except for the Senior Center programs. He stated they favored the fee increase over the

elimination of the \$15.00 subsidy; 5) utilization of the MacDonald House as a revenue producing facility such as renting the front rooms to a retail operation. He stated they calculated that would result in about \$15,000 savings per year; 6) consideration of a once per week garbage pickup. He stated the board suggested staff research the concept to determine the value to the citizens. He stated the total cost of Waste Management was about \$2.5 million, and a once per week pickup could save approximately \$400,000 to \$600,000.

Mr. Marvin Miller, Vice Chairman, stated members of the board were business people who determined that the City had been in an obese mode for many years and was now going on a diet, which would not happen overnight. He stated the citizens were subsidizing \$3 million for Leisure Services programs. He stated they looked at the benefits of the programs compared to the cost of it. He stated the problems had built up in the last 10-15 years, which was not the Commission's fault, but their responsibility to address. He noted that payroll was 74% of the budget and had risen 10-12% in the past few years. He stated there should be a major effort on the Commission's part to help alleviate the situation.

Mayor Costello explained that once per week garbage pickup would save the cost to the residents, but it was not a savings in property taxes.

Mr. Miller distributed a letter he had written to the Commission in 2004 and 2005, which he requested they review.

Mayor Costello stated he was interested in any and all cuts, and would let the public know the impact to property taxes.

Item #3A – General Capital Improvement Priority 3 Projects

Ms. Kelly McGuire, Budget Director, stated that Commissioner Gillooly had asked for a list of the projects, and it was included in their meeting packet. She stated the Senior Center restrooms and fiber optics projects were presently included in the budget with additional Leisure Services information included as well. She stated they would start bringing back information from these areas during the course of the year. She stated stormwater fees were a follow up from the Stormwater Master Plan workshop and were broken down by project, and the proposed budget did not include any fee increases.

Mayor Costello noted that Ms. McGuire needed clarification of the Senior Center restrooms project to make them handicapped accessible, fiber optics for technology links, and stormwater fee projects. He asked the Commissioners to address these three areas in addition to anything else they wanted to discuss.

Audience Remarks

Ms. Christina Remigio, 831 E. Lindenwood Circle, stated her concern about the proposed cuts to the gymnastics program. She stated that the monetary value was not necessarily where the value was as she felt it was with the children. She stated the gymnastics program was not self-supporting as it was 50% funded by the City and that the program could become more self-supporting by increasing qualified staff and students. She stated that gymnastics taught the girls time management, self-sacrifice, self-confidence, sportsmanship, teamwork, and required them to practice, focus, and persevere. She stated that gymnastics was a worthwhile program that should be funded.

Mr. Robert Akam, 26 Silver Fox Trail, stated he was the vice president of The Casements Guild. He stated The Casements was the most significant historic building in Ormond Beach which was in serious need of structural repair. He stated he realized that there would be unanticipated shortfalls in tax revenue and limitations imposed by rollback tax rates. He stated The Casements Guild was formed in 1979 when the building was restored and reopened after many years of neglect. He stated The Casements Guild raised funds for the enhancements to the building and raised matching funds for grants such as a kitchen upgrade of \$25,000. He noted there was a staff of two full-time and three part-time employees, and a large number of volunteers for office work, finances, scheduling, and janitorial maintenance. He suggested that the options were to continue on course with no significant changes, to scale back operations, to sell/lease/privatize, which could result in the loss of grants, National Historic Register status, and Guild services. He stated they appreciated the challenge the Commission faced, competing entities they had to consider, and the services expected by the citizenry. He requested the Commission to recognize the value to the community of continuing The Casements as a City-owned and operated community enrichment center, and in supporting the current staff and The Guild in their vision for expansion of programs in the future.

Mayor Costello stated that the budget included all the items to repair The Casements' structure, and there had not been any discussion about cutting the projects or dumping The Casements. He stated they valued The Casements as one of their cherished, heritage facilities, but he stated it was possible the future might hold something different as to how those services were delivered.

Ms. Ruth Horan, 675 Riverside Drive, stated she was representing the Performing Arts Center, and she had been active in the Leisure Services Department since 1970. She stated she turned to the people when they needed to raise funds, and this was what they had done for many years. She stated they tried to make money for the City rather than asking for it. She stated when she was chairman of the Recreation Advisory Board, she appeared before the Commission regarding the purchase of the Calvary Church for the PAC, Senior Center, and Leisure Services offices. She stated she found out many years ago any donations that went into the General Fund disappeared, so 501C-3 corporations were formed such as Friends of Recreation, Friends of Performing Arts Center, etc. to raise funds for certain facilities. She stated the PAC was sold to the voters as a community theatre, not for the purpose of raising funds for the City. She noted that Ms. Lois Miller was one of their largest fund raisers where the net proceeds went to the PAC. She stated they used volunteers to make money for the City, and that was the reason the City had such a good recreation department and facilities. She stated the taxpayers were proud of the City's facilities, and they wanted them to continue to be proud.

Ms. Lois Miller, 436 S. Nova Road #81, asked the Commission to bear in mind the many volunteer hours that had gone into the PAC. She stated they operated on a shoestring, made their own costumes, and felt sort of proprietary towards the PAC.

Mayor Costello stated it would be a community decision where to make the cuts. He stated that the citizens would have to let the Commission know the things they valued and/or should cut as a community.

Mr. Doug Wigley, 37 Forest View Way, stated he was speaking on behalf of the Ormond Beach Youth Baseball and Softball Association. He stated he was concerned that too many of the Commissioners' recommendations directly affected the children, especially the elimination of the \$15 sports subsidy. He stated their association agreed to run the sports program many years ago based on the sport subsidy, which was \$15.00 20 years ago, or about \$6,000 for baseball and softball. He stated this type of cut would not resolve the budget problems and was not a place they needed to cut.

Mr. Wigley noted that many of the parents involved in the programs were single parents with multiple children, and the user fee to cover the electricity would basically price recreational programs out of sight for some of the single parents. He stated that he did not believe this was an area to be looking for cuts.

Mayor Costello stated that this Commission had supported recreation and the children tremendously, but they had to look at methods to minimize the City dollars in all areas of the budget, including Leisure Services. He suggested that he and many others might need to supply some sponsorship dollars if they wanted children to be able to participate if they could not financially afford it.

Mr. John McLeish, 671 Buena Vista Avenue, thanked the BAB for recommending the Senior Center fees remain the same. He stated he attended a meeting with Mr. Morgan Gilbreath, Volusia County Property Appraiser, who stated Ormond Beach had increased the taxes in the past four years 70%, so 9% would be easy for Ormond Beach, and to claim otherwise would be denial. He stated that Mayor Costello and Commissioner Kent voted for the increase in seniors' tax exemption which cost 900 seniors \$86.00 each. He stated they did not have much time to vote on this issue, and he felt it was done inappropriately. He stated that the majority of increases in salaries amounted to over \$1 million last year, which was the same decrease asked for this year.

Mayor Costello stated that much of the 70% was invested in making the community solvent. He stated that the City did not have a maintenance renewal and replacement in the budget, but it did now. He stated the City did not have a limited budget for capital improvements that forced us to prioritize, but it did now. He stated they had worked diligently for an appropriate fund balance/reserve for the community. He noted there used to be a 30% reserve, but previous Commissions spent it down to 12%, and they were trying to build it up to an area appropriate for an emergency condition. He stated the senior exemption did not cost/save the City any money, but it transferred \$86.00 to the rest of the residents in Ormond Beach.

Mr. Isaac Turner, City Manager, stated that next year could result in another 20% reduction, or another \$2 million.

Ms. Kelly Andrews, 17 Southern Pine Trail, stated she represented herself and her husband, who was an active military person, who will be deployed in the near future. She stated she wanted to let them know what Leisure Services meant to her family and the neighborhood children. She stated her husband wanted her to relay that government was in place to provide public service.

Mayor Costello applauded Ms. Andrews and her husband for his service to our country.

Mr. Ballard Gibson, Jr., 1108 Avenue F, stated his children participated as non-residents in the gymnastics program. He stated he had two children in gymnastic and another child that would be starting baseball, and he suggested the Commission look somewhere else for budget cuts. He suggested parents would withdraw their children from the programs because the fee was too high, and then crime would increase in this area.

Mayor Costello stated that Mr. Gibson's fees would most likely increase, as he felt non-residents should pay more than residents. He stated the goal was to be more reflective of the cost of the programs.

Ms. Gloria Wyatt, 19 Walnut Lane, stated she represented the Ormond Beach Soccer Club, and felt several of the options were unacceptable for the long-standing needs of the organization. She stated the participants had tripled in the last ten years. She stated they would like the City of Ormond Beach to recognize the consistent positive impact on the community as the largest used recreational organization. She stated that eliminating the \$15.00 subsidy would reduce their budget by \$12,000, which was minimal as compared to other areas of the City's budget. She stated this reduction would compromise and reduce the opportunities for the children, and would result in the organization increasing their fees by 50%. She requested that the Commission give funds to the soccer program and other programs for the betterment of the community and the future of the children. She suggested the Commission should set an example of how the needs of children were prioritized.

Mr. Rick Boehm, 5 Springwood Trail, stated he was chairman of the Recreation Advisory Board. He stated he did not know how the City chose who should be impacted when cuts were made, and he stated the BAB felt the children should be cut before senior citizens. He stated Doug Wigley had 800 children in his program, Gloria Wyatt had 900 children, and there were 2,800 registrants this year. He stated that there were 300,000 spectators and participants in the sports programs. He stated this was the quality of life in Ormond Beach, and to take away from the quality of life started the community on a path downhill. He stated that these programs kept the children off the streets, reduced crime, and gave the children positive experiences—quality of life.

Mayor Costello stated he appreciated Mr. Boehm's passion and the people who worked with the children.

Mr. Tommy Bozeman, 1319 N. Beach Street, stated the last budget workshop discussion included combining the fire and building inspector duties to improve efficiency of operations. He asked for someone to speak on this subject and how it would impact the current service.

Fire Chief Barry Baker stated they reviewed the fire inspector, building inspector, and engineering inspector positions and felt there would be more efficiency with the cross training of one person. He stated they recognized that the fire inspector position could probably be eliminated this year. He stated the division chief position was part of a restructuring the department was involved in. He suggested the workshop minutes were not detailed enough regarding the restructuring. He stated they had worked with Dr. Ritcey, an outside facilitator, as well.

Mr. Bruce Teeters, 567 N. Beach Street, stated his comments were focused on a long-term problem of payroll benefits, as payroll was 74% of the budget this year. He stated this was an area that needed concentration. He suggested that unfilled positions should not be retained in the budget. He stated the Commission was the steward of the finances of the City, and they had to step up and be responsible. He suggested any surpluses should be taken into account in the new budget.

Mayor Costello explained that 74% of the budget was for payroll; but if the City had gone to the rollback rate for the past four years, it would have been 89%. He stated this year they had eliminated 17 positions, and had not budgeted any employee raises. He stated our Budget

Director recommended that the City fund only 99% of employee costs, because there were usually some open positions, and he felt this was outstanding stewardship of City dollars. He stated that the budget was cut very close and might require the use of some fund balance that had not been planned. He stated the Commission needed to realize that the cushion that they had in the past would not be there anymore, and he commended staff for doing everything they could to cut the budget.

Commission Comments

Mayor Costello asked the Commissioners to address the Senior Center restrooms, fiber optics, and stormwater fees during their comments.

Commissioner Kelley noted that the items mentioned tonight were not included in the budget cuts but were under discussion for next year's cuts.

Commissioner Kelley stated that the surpluses were not surpluses but the fact that there was enough revenue so they did not have to spend the reserve fund. He stated the emergency reserve fund had gotten dangerously low and was on the verge of going to 10% in 2005, and now it was about 17%, which was still very low. He stated that salaries were the largest increase, but this Commission had no choice but to fund the contracts that were negotiated by previous Commissions.

Commissioner Kelley asked about the total property tax revenue anticipated in this budget; whereby, Ms. McGuire stated it was about \$12 million including debt service. He stated the cost to fund public safety was almost \$15 million. He questioned how they would be able to cut other programs when it took 150% of the revenue to fund only public safety, and he questioned how they could effectively lower the tax rate. He stated the tax rate would be cut 11.3% from last year's tax rate which meant they would have 9% less revenue to operate on than last year.

Commissioner Kelley stated he felt fiber optics was important and should have been done a long time ago. He stated he supported the fiber optics project.

Commissioner Kelley expressed his concern that it cost \$80,000 to remodel the Senior Center restrooms. He stated he did not support this project.

Commissioner Kelley stated he supported the stormwater project but not the fee increase.

Commissioner Kelley stated he talked to two seniors about the senior exemption who did not think it was fair to transfer the cuts to someone else. He stated the homesteaded property tax went down last year 7.5%. He stated it was the commercial and business people that were hurting, and shifting the money from one group to another was unfair. He stated that if there was anyone that would lose their home for \$86, he would make sure that would not happen.

Commissioner Gillooly stated she attended Morgan Gilbreath's presentation, and she totally agreed with him that we spent too much as a City, which was one of the main reasons she ran for Commissioner two years ago. She stated that staff was the first place to look for cuts since payroll was the largest part of the budget. She stated she was concerned when she saw a list to cut police/fire and leisure services, but the legislature had mandated the budget cuts. She stated that she was disappointed that there were not more cuts in terms of staffing issues. She noted that no one objected to the transfer of the police dispatchers to the Sheriff's Office. She stated the hard cuts were to services. She stated employee benefits were not being cut, such as health insurance. She stated that there had to be pension changes, or the City would go bankrupt.

Commissioner Gillooly stated the City should maximize its volunteers. She stated she favored once per week garbage pickup. She suggested using inmates for productive labor so the City could save money and continue to fund recreation, quality of life issues, and historical issues. She stated a tennis center subsidized by the City was something they could not afford any longer. She stated Ms. Horan stated their proceeds from performances went back to the City, but a recent staff report reported that the PAC had revenues of \$125,000 with expenditures of \$383,000. She stated this was very different from Ms. Horan's perception. She stated she wondered if there were other venues that were money-making and somehow hurting the City.

Commissioner Gillooly referred to a letter from Dr. Smith, Superintendent of Schools, and Dr. Williams, School Board Chairman, that in essence said the cuts to the Sheriff's Office would require that the schools could no longer have the same resource officers in the schools, and the City needed to come up with the funding to continue this, or it might impact the Police Department. She suggested that the reason some of the people who came to our City was for

the recreational programs for their children. She stated that they had to prioritize their quality of life issues.

Commissioner Gillooly asked about non-management pay raises; whereby, Ms. McGuire stated the cost was about \$235,000 and included the additional costs for next year's benefits. Commissioner Gillooly stated she did not support a \$500 bonus per person, and she did not feel that was money well spent at this time.

Mr. Turner stated the Commission could choose to fund pay increases or not, but he stated the decision was part of the collective bargaining process, and they had to bargain in good faith.

Commissioner Gillooly stated there was a tremendous disparity between homesteaded property, renters, and commercial property. She stated that renters often paid much higher taxes for less service. She stated another issue was the huge increase in homeowners insurance. She stated there were people here telling them that they wanted services and speaking their mind on the priorities.

Commissioner Gillooly stated she favored Option 1 of no stormwater rate increase.

Commissioner Gillooly stated she was concerned that the Senior Center ADA restrooms cost \$80,000, and she felt the CDBG money should be used in the district it was intended. She stated she felt this was an easy way for staff to use funds without trying to find another way to cut something and find the money that way. She suggested finding enough space to create one unisex handicapped accessible bathroom that anyone could use rather than trying to retrofit the existing facilities.

Commissioner Gillooly asked about the fiber optics project; whereby, Ms. McGuire stated \$222,000 was budgeted for next year, and the other phases cost about \$1 million over five years.

Commissioner Gillooly asked about the benefits of the fiber optics project; whereby, Mr. Ned Huhta, IT Manager, stated the benefit was higher speed communication to all of the out parcels such as the Public Works Complex, Fleet, the Wastewater Plant, and communication between the Water and Wastewater SCADA control system that would run on a glass fiber which was immune to electrical storms. He stated the City would receive better reliability and higher speed to all City facilities within the ring.

Commissioner Gillooly asked about the impact to public safety; whereby, Mr. Huhta stated it would run from City Hall to Public Safety to Water to Wastewater picking up the Public Works Complex in the first phase. He stated \$710,000 would be the total cost.

Commissioner Gillooly asked about grant funding; whereby, Mr. Huhta stated there was no grant funding available.

Commissioner Gillooly stated she favored the fiber optics project, because it was infrastructure. She stated she challenged the City Manager to find some hard cuts.

Mayor Costello stated he, too, challenged Mr. Turner to find more cuts. He stated only one speaker challenged them for cuts. He stated that Ormond Beach was known as an outstanding quality of life community for its amenities, recreation, and leisure services. He stated they needed to find a way to reform for the people that had been hit the most, i.e. non-homestead people.

Mayor Costello stated he supported fiber optics as the technology would result in better efficiency and a reduction in staff.

Commissioner Kent stated he had an opportunity to go to Tallahassee and was disappointed and surprised by the legislature. He stated it was interesting that the schools did not have to cut back. He thanked the BAB for their six recommendations. He stated the recommendations needed to be thoroughly reviewed by staff and the Commission and suggested possibly ranking them.

Commissioner Kent stated he felt they were stepping in the right direction regarding pension as they were talking about a defined contribution plan.

Commissioner Kent stated the Senior Center restrooms should be up to ADA standards, but he expressed his concern about the cost of \$80,000. He stated his eyes were opened his first year on the Commission about the cost and length of time it took to complete City projects. He stated

he favored the restrooms at another location that would satisfy the needs of the center and save the City money. He noted he helped stop an \$80,000 welcome sign a few years ago.

Commissioner Kent stated he was in favor of Option 1 for no stormwater rate increase.

Commissioner Kent stated he was in favor of the fiber optics project.

Commissioner Kent stated as a public employee he understood the 74% of the budget for salaries and benefits; but he stated that everything had gone up more than 6% (gasoline, taxes, insurance, etc.), and the employee probably had less money in his pocket because of this.

Mayor Costello stated employee costs used to be about 62% of the budget, but previous Commissions voted for raises for staff but not for recurring dollars to pay for them. He stated they took quality of life investment from 38% down to 26%. He stated they cut quality of life funding by 33%. He stated his issue was that the ongoing increase of staff cost was not funded.

Commissioner Kent stated he voted for the pay raises as well as tax increases to pay for them.

Mayor Costello suggested the Senior Center do some fund raising/donations for an ADA restroom at another location or come up with \$80,000 to convert the existing restrooms.

Mayor Costello stated one of the main ways to have the ability to decrease the number of employees was to become efficient and effective, lean and mean, with technology in fiber optics.

Mayor Costello stated he felt people should not have to worry about flooding, and he challenged staff to find ways to fund the most needed stormwater projects. He stated he would go with the Option 1 so the Commission would be united.

Item #4 – Adoption of the Proposed Millage Rates

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-103
ADOPTING PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE FOR THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATES AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET; DIRECTING COMMUNICATION; EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE INTENT; SETTING FORTH AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Kelley moved, seconded by Commissioner Gillooly, to approve Resolution No. 2007-103, as read by title only.

Mayor Costello asked about the Senior Center restrooms; whereby, Ms. McGuire stated they were in the budget but did not affect the tax rate.

Mayor Costello stated that fiber optics was in the budget and stormwater fees did not affect the budget, and no amendments were required.

Call Vote:	Commissioner Gillooly	Yes
	Commissioner Kent	Yes
	Commissioner Kelley	Yes
Carried.	Mayor Costello	Yes

Mayor Costello noted that Commissioner Partington was out of town.

Mr. Turner commented that many of the items talked about tonight were second year cuts. He stated they estimated that legislative actions would cause a \$1 million cut next year and an additional \$2 million in cuts the following year. He stated staff tried to give the Commission options that would cover both of those years while maintaining the quality of services.

Commissioner Kelley challenged Mr. Turner and staff to come up with the necessary cuts within the City, not services, in order to not use the fund balance.

Mayor Costello stated that additional cuts would go to fund balance, which would help the budget in the future.

Commissioner Gillooly suggested that Leisure Services fees be reviewed for an increase, and she asked about the mechanism for families that could not afford to pay for the service. Mayor Costello suggested a scholarship fund could possibly be considered.

Mr. Turner stated that staff was looking at a number of opportunities such as fee increases, different groups to provide the service at the same quality level, and talking to some of the groups involved.

Mayor Costello suggested that they might decide the potential savings was not worth the risk.

Mayor Costello stated that if public safety was 50% of the General Fund and it was not cut, and the General Fund was cut by 9%, then the rest of the budget had to be cut 18%. He stated there might be another 10% cut in January, so if public safety was not cut, then the rest of the budget would be cut another 20%. He stated his concern of cutting 18% and another 20% out of the General Fund. He stated he was committed to having outstanding public safety, but it might look different (not diminished) in the future. He stated the challenge would be to keep the level of service at lower costs.

Mayor Costello referred to a letter from Mike Ables, City Manager of DeLand, "...For the reasons stated above, it is not possible for the City of DeLand to consider adding to expenses borne by the City by assuming new missions that historically were funded through other agencies. As cities and counties find themselves increasingly impacted by state mandated revenue reductions, it will not be possible for the City of DeLand to address new demands in areas that are not specifically related to our core mission..." Mayor Costello stated he wanted to go further than that as the School Board did not receive cuts. He stated the reality was that the City spent money on recreation to benefit the schools and invested in things that the School Board might consider looking at. He stated the City had an outstanding partnership with the School Board, which we would do everything to continue that relationship, but the City would not be assuming any additional costs for the School Board. He stated that the School Board may have to absorb additional costs that the cities historically funded.

Mayor Costello stated everyone in Ormond Beach would receive a decrease in their flood insurance premium, because the City's ranking had improved. He stated he favored stormwater investments.

Mr. Turner stated he appreciated that the police chief and fire chief had participated in the budget reduction. He clarified that the Sheriff's Office cut the number of resource officers that they were funding at the school, and the schools have asked the cities to pick that up.

Item #5 - Close the Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

APPROVED: _____ August 21, 2007

BY: _____
Fred Costello, Mayor

ATTEST:

Veronica Patterson, City Clerk