



**City of Boiling Spring Lakes**  
**Board of Commissioners Citizens Forum**  
**February 20, 2014**  
**City Hall – 6:30pm**

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**1. Call to Order – Mayor Craig Caster**

Mayor Caster called the Citizens Forum to order at 6:30pm

**2. Attendance:** In attendance at the meeting were:

Mayor Craig Caster  
Commissioner Barbara Glidden  
Commissioner Mike Forte  
Commissioner David Putnam  
Commissioner Mary Stilwell  
City Manager Jeff Repp  
City Clerk Jane McMinn

**3. Public Comment**

**Joy Gregory ~ 1060 Myrtle Lane**

Ms. Gregory gave a history of Mirror Lake and surrounding lakes starting in 1997. Ms. Gregory stated she has been asking the city to help her with the water problems from the rising lake and drainage of the lake. She stated when she bought her property it was not in a flood zone according to the zoning maps. However, the maps and zoning changed and now her property is in a flood zone. Ms. Gregory requested the board to look at her property to determine the outflow of the water from the lake.

**John Ganey ~ 1096 Fifty Lakes Dr.**

Mr. Ganey complimented the Boiling Spring Lakes Police Department about the fine job they do for the city. He stated that he hoped that the family of the young boy receives justice for their son who was shot and killed by a Southport detective. Mr. Ganey also questioned why our city must call upon Southport for help and stated that he hoped that we would not longer request their assistance.

**Nancy Crawford ~ 241 Ash Rd.**

Mrs. Crawford stated at the last meeting it was determined that a tamper proof marker be put on Spring Lake to monitor the water level. Mrs. Crawford requested that the commissioners look at the maker because it does not appear to be tamper proof. Also Mrs. Crawford asked that everyone complete the Boiling Spring Lakes Planning Board Survey for the 2014 Long Range Plan. It can be found at City Hall or Community Center or you can find it online on the website.

**Judy Thuer ~ 161 North Shore Dr.**

Judy invited everyone to take a look at the daffodils at Spring Lake Park at Miss Margaret's Garden. I would like to commend the staff at the Recreation Center, they take good care of the seniors and Mary and her staff does a wonderful job. Now that we have a new board and mayor, I would ask that you listen to the department heads. These people were hired specifically because they have an expertise in their field. Please ask them questions and listen to them before you make a judgment. Judy also asked for an update on the electronic sign. City Manager Repp responded that we are getting new software equipment installed and we will be able to change the messages with the new system. Judy made suggestions that the flags coming into the Community Center need to be replaced and again it would be nice to have the sign working out in front of city hall.

**Mike Lukacz ~ 341 Hickory**

Mr. Lukacz stated that he lives on the corner of Maple and Hickory and there is only one stop sign. There are many children in this area and cars go down Maple very fast, I have reported this to the Police Department but I am concerned about retaliation. A request was made to possibly put in a 4 way stop or have the stop sign on Maple instead of Hickory.

**Audrey Carathanasis ~ 1281 Spring Lake Dr.**

Mrs. Carathanasis requested an update about the committee that was set up a few months ago by the former board to look into new business coming into BSL. Mayor Caster stated that property that was private was given away and we must figure what property is available at this time. The committee will go forward and will look into promoting businesses for the city. Also Audrey asked about the engineering report for Spring Lake. City Manager Repp explained that when Sungate comes to start the work on the other two projects we will set up a workshop to answer questions from the board and this will be a public workshop.

**Bill McGuire ~ 249 W. North Shore Dr.**

My property is only two blocks off of Rt. 87, my block is not paved. Mr. McGuire was hopeful when the county water and sewer were going to be put in his hope was that he would be able to run another deep water tap and have good water pressure but discovered that he apparently lives on the wrong side of the tracks. Our road was cluttered with construction equipment for the sewer system and our road was chosen for the pump house. The residents were never notified but the assumption was that at least W. North Shore Dr. would be paved. Mr. McGuire asked the city to please consider some type of gravel or aggregate to be placed on the road to at least help until W. North Shore comes up on the list for paving.

**Chuck Wojda ~ 161 North Lake Dr.**

Commented that it appears that most of the committees have a need for some guidance of what they are supposed to be doing and how they are spending their time. He also stated that the new board will be faced of a lot of improvements that the city needs, and suggested that we put together a grant committee, it is stated in the ordinance that we are supposed to have a grant committee. Also Mr. Wojda commented that this city really



needs to address all the water problems we have throughout the city. The city should start to advise people if they are going to build they need to be advised if it is in a flood plain or not. This is a responsibility of the city.

**Richard Queener ~ 896 Bord Rd.**

Mr. Queener suggested that the city have the same ordinance that we have for the parks that people are required to clean up after their animal. It was suggested that this be expanded to include the whole city and not just the parks.

**Beth Bigford ~ 685 Cherokee Rd.**

The area we live in is very nice but the residents around us we have people putting out junk all around. For example there is a house in Pine Crest that has piles and piles of yard debris that have been there for two months. Ms. Bigford requested that code enforcement review these areas and speak with these people about cleaning up their yards that might help.

**Mary Talley ~ 456 Tate Lake Dr.**

Mrs. Talley asked the board members what the guidelines were for vacant property. She stated there is a house next door that has been vacant for two years, the lawn is not mowed, the pool is green so it is a breeding ground for mosquitos and the deterioration continues. Code Enforcement came out and looked at the property but stated no one could go on the property without a warrant. She wanted to know what can be done about this situation. Mrs. Talley also thanked Mary Green at the Community Center for all the hard work she puts in and at times takes money out of her own pocket when needed.

**Bill Clark ~ 389 North Shore Dr.**

Bill stated that he has been requested to be the spokes person and asked that there be a change to the Consent Agenda to have the department head of Public Works and Building Inspection give a verbal report at the commissioners meeting to let everyone know what the City is doing.

Mayor Caster stated that there is a change for the Citizens Forum due to the fact that there is a conflict with the current schedule. The Forum will change to the first Monday of each month beginning on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:30pm at City Hall.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm

  
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Craig Caster, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jane McMinn, City Clerk

