

**Titusville Environmental Commission  
Regular Meeting  
November 5, 2003**

The Titusville Environmental Commission (TEC) of the City of Titusville, Florida, met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 555 South Washington Avenue, on Wednesday, November 5, 2003

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Chairman Pettit called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Vice Chairman Rivera, Members Vieira, Chamberlain, Koromilas, and Gutierrez. Member Gosselin arrived at 5: 40 p.m. Member Mosakowski was excused. Also in attendance were Planning Administrator Keith Cunningham and Recording Secretary Tammy Holton. It was determined that a quorum was present.

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The first item of business was the approval of the minutes from the October 8, 2003 regular meeting. Member Gutierrez moved to approve the minutes. Vice Chairman Rivera seconded the motion. There was a unanimous voice vote.

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**Presentation and Public Comments:**

Water Resource Department, Rudi Kahn and Chuck Denman – Mr. Denman introduced Mr. Kahn as the Water Production Superintendent and relayed to TEC the Future Water Plan as adopted by the City of Titusville. Mr. Denman informed TEC of the average water usage consumption for Titusville. Mr. Denman updated TEC on the reuse plan in the area of critical concern and litigations. Discussion followed. Mr. Kahn reported to TEC the cities plan for the wellfield area. Discussion followed. Member Gutierrez asked if a desalination plant would be beneficial to Titusville. Mr. Kahn told TEC that desalination is a project already under way by the St. Johns River Water Management. Discussion followed. Vice Chairman Rivera thanked Mr. Kahn and Mr. Denman and ask if it would be possible to see a spreadsheet showing the deficits from a year-to-year basis. Mr. Denman told TEC that he would supply TEC with a copy of the presentation. Discussion followed. Mr. Denman told TEC that his department has promoted lower water consumption with showerhead giveaways, different types of kits and literature to minimize water consumption in Titusville. Discussion followed. TEC asked if Mr. Denman and Mr. Kahn would be willing to come to the next meeting. TEC stated they would email the recording secretary with any question they wish Mr. Kahn and Mr. Denman to answer.

Kathleen Burson, ASLA 385 Delespine Avenue – Informed TEC that she is a Landscape Architect in Titusville. Presented TEC with a presentation regarding Planning and Habitat Preservation in Titusville. Informed TEC that the Brevard County SEAS ordinance will address preserving habitats. Stated that Titusville's current codes do not address preservation.

Member Gutierrez spoke in rebuttal of Ms. Burson's presentation. Member Gutierrez stated that Ms. Burson's information was not factual relating to urban sprawl. Member Vieira and Chairman Pettit asked Member Gutierrez if he had an actual question. Member Gutierrez stated his rebuttal was to make sure that there was a balanced view of what was being spoken at the meeting. Chairman Pettit stated that this was not a debate with the public. Member Gutierrez told Chairman Pettit that he is being most unfair and dictatorial. Chairman Pettit passed the gavel to Vice Chairman Rivera.

Member Koromilas motioned to table Member Gutierrez's rebuttal until the next meeting. Vice Chairman Rivera thanked Ms. Burson for coming before TEC. Member Gutierrez added only if it is at the next meeting. Member Vieira seconded the motion with discussion.

Member Koromilas – yes  
Member Chamberlain – yes  
Member Gosselin – yes  
Vice Chairman Rivera – yes  
Member Gutierrez – yes  
Member Vieira – yes  
Chairman Pettit – yes

Chairman Pettit made a motion to have the Chairman stand before City Council and asked that Member Gutierrez be removed from TEC. Chairman Pettit stated he would not have the public attacked in the forum. Member Gutierrez stated he was not attacking anyone just making a rebuttal. Vice Chairman Rivera told Member Gutierrez if he was not quiet, he would turn off his microphone. Vice Chairman Rivera clarified the motion from Chairman Pettit. Member Chamberlain seconded the motion and Member Koromilas seconded with discussion. Member Koromilas asked staff if a member had ever been asked to be removed before. Keith Cunningham told TEC that he did not remember that ever being done before. Member Koromilas stated he would have to have more information before making a judgment. Vice Chairman Rivera asked if a member would amended the motion to allow TEC to confer with legal council.

Member Gosselin made a motion to amend Chairman Pettit's motion and table until TEC has had a chance to have legal council address removal of Member Gutierrez. Member Koromilas seconded the motion.

Vice Chairman Rivera – yes  
Member Gutierrez - abstained  
Member Vieira – yes  
Chairman Pettit – yes  
Member Gosselin – yes  
Member Chamberlain – yes  
Member Koromilas – yes

Member Gutierrez stated what he was trying to do was address certain information that the speaker was giving based on facts he had in front of him. At no time was he any way, shape or form trying to attack her creditability. He stated his facts differed from hers and all of a sudden; he was being accused of trying to attack a speaker, which is clearly not the case. In addition, he stated he would be conferring with legal council. Any potential removal from Council for anything he had done was not maleficent or anything of that nature. This is an insult and he has not committed a crime. To go before council and ask that he be removed is a witch-hunt. In addition, just because he spoke his own mind and his own opinion bottom line he is an individual, and has the right to speak out. He would speak out to get a fair balance.

With two minutes left Vice Chairman Rivera returned the gavel to Chairman Pettit to conclude the meeting

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**Old Business:**

Review Green Building Ordinance – Chairman Pettit asked Member Vieira if he would be able to present the ordinance at the next meeting. Member Vieira stated he would be able to discuss the ordinance at the next meeting.

Member Vieira thanked Ms. Burson for attending and relayed to her that after reviewing various landscape codes the City of Titusville's codes are not that bad. The problem is that it is not enforced. TEC has revaluated and make suggestions for more options to developers. Discussion followed.

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**Reports:**

Staff – Relayed to TEC the agenda items for the P&Z meeting.

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**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.