

# April 2012 – Polk City Newsletter



- Polk City Utilities **emergency number** is **1 866 815 0074**. Please use this number **only for emergencies**.
- If you have any questions regarding utilities **Monday through Thursday during Business Hours**, please feel free to call Polk City Utilities - **863 874 4808**.

**City Council Meetings are the second Monday Night each Month at 7:00 PM**



## **May City Council Meeting – Monday, May 14, 2012 7:00 PM**

City Manager Patricia Jackson [patricia.jackson@mypolkcity.org](mailto:patricia.jackson@mypolkcity.org) Phone 863-984-1375 ext 237  
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Councilor Don Kimsey [don.kimsey@mypolkcity.org](mailto:don.kimsey@mypolkcity.org) Phone for an appointment with any council member call 863 984 1375 ext 221

## **Summary of March 12, 2012 City Council Meeting**

- Polk County Fire Chief Cash brought his team located in Polk City, and 2 new trucks came to the Polk City Council Meeting for a tour of the latest equipment.
- Proclamation of the Girl Scouts “Year of the Girl” in 2012.
- Ordinance 2012-02 amending Chapter 74 Utilities; amending Section 74-251, deposits required providing for severability; providing for conflicts; providing an effective date – First Reading. In summary, the water deposit would be \$150 inside or outside the city. Motion Carried: 4 – ayes, 1 – nay
- Transfer of funds from the Enterprise Fund to the General Fund - \$197,`97 to be transferred from the Enterprise Fund Debt Service (Fifth Third Bank Bonds) to the General Fund Debt Service (Fifth Third Bank Bonds). This has no impact on the budget
- Safe Route to School Grant – There will be one project for this year – a proposed sidewalk will connect the train and run east on Berkley to S.R.33
- CDBG Grant – Bids are due back March 21<sup>st</sup> by 2:00 p.m.
- Water, Wastewater and Reuse System Improvements --Pre-Bid Conference was held March 21<sup>st</sup> and sealed bids are due back to the city on April 11 by 2 p.m.
- Auditors were here in March to finish the audit.
- Customers can now review and pay utilities online.
- Changes Due to State Legislation – Legal ads will be posted on the website of the newspaper at no additional cost. There were other changes in cost favorable to municipalities.

## **Polk City’s 4<sup>th</sup> Citywide Residential Yard Sale - Vendors Registrations for Freedom Park**

**WHEN** April 28, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 PM.

**VENDOR** Applications are available at City Hall and online at [www.mypolkcity.org](http://www.mypolkcity.org)

**YARD SALE SELLER APPLICATIONS are available online** ([www.mypolkcity.org](http://www.mypolkcity.org)) **or at City Hall.**

Submit your application to City Hall to ensure your address will be listed on the **Master Yard Sale list**.

We think this will be the biggest sale ever! Start saving items for the sale now Polk City has some items that will be on sale at City Hall the day of the Yard Sale. Stop by Polk City Hall to see the items available.



**Dollar General Market – Open for Business!**

Dollar General Market is open for business on S.R. 33 . The Grand Opening is April 21<sup>st</sup>. Gift Cards for \$10.00 will be given to the first 100 customers at the Grand Opening. Watch for the sale flyers in the mail that week announcing the sale items. There will also be door prizes at the Grand Opening. Stop by and see the latest store opening in Polk City

## **Polk City Library**

- Book Club April 17 6:00 PM – Pat Conroy – South Abroad
- **Polk City Library Story Time every Thursday at 11:00.**  
Preschool story time at the library - where we don't expect everyone to sit still perfectly. Please bring your children ages 2 to 4 to the library to join Miss Linda for stories and a craft. April 12 Boats

## **Polk City Relay For Life Survivor Dinner**

Saturday, April 21st, 2012 5:00-7:00 PM Women's Club Building on Lakeshore Drive  
All cancer survivors and all caregivers are invited and will be honored. Inspiring speakers, delicious food and door prizes.

Please call 863-688-2326 and speak to the local chapter of American Cancer Society to register. It's free and fun!

## **Around Polk City**

- The damaged safety rail has been replaced with a shiny new safety rail on Berkeley under the SR33 bridge.
- Lakeland Electric has been giving the trees around the power lines their hurricane haircut. This protects the lines from damage during a storm and also helps to keep power flowing to Polk City.
- The Skate Park got a new coat of paint this month. The brick walls look brand new!

## **Training for a Disaster**

The Polk City Mayor Joe LaCascia, Vice Mayor Trudy Block and Al Schneider attended the Polk County Disaster Training at the Polk County Emergency Management System site in Winter Haven. This training outlines the responsibilities and activities required of the Polk City Staff and Council members.

## **Water Conservation**

SWFMD has extended the Phase I water shortage restrictions through June 30, 2012. Polk City follows the SWFMD District water restrictions.

### ***Lawn Watering Schedule and Times***

- Lawn watering is limited to twice per week.
- Lawn watering days and times are as follows unless your city or county has a different schedule or stricter hours in effect:
  - Even addresses may water on Thursday and/or Sunday before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
  - Odd addresses may water on Wednesday and/or Saturday before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
  - Locations without a discernable address, such as rights-of-way and other common areas inside a subdivision, may water on Tuesday and/or Friday before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.

For more information or to report violations call the following:

#### **Restriction Info**

[Polk County](#)

(863) 298-4100

#### **Report Violations**

(863) 298-4211

If you have community activities or news that would be of interest to the Polk City service area, please contact Trudy Block at 630 853 3673 or [trudy.block@mypolkcity.org](mailto:trudy.block@mypolkcity.org)