

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2003, 7:00 P.M.**

Present upon Roll Call: Vice Mayor Dopp, Commissioner O'Connor, Commissioner Scarpitta, Commissioner Foerster, Mayor Beyrouti, and Attorney Denhardt.

OPEN REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Beyrouti reflected on the year 2002 mentioning that the teamwork between the volunteers, citizens and Board of Commissioners provided successful results for the year. During the year this Commission introduced the televising of Commission Meetings on the Town Access Channel 15. This station also broadcasts Town information twenty-hours a day. The Town applied for and received grant monies to improve Spitzer Park and the Tennis Courts as well as create a new sidewalk on 175th Avenue East. Spitzer Park is complete and work at the tennis courts (including the fishing pier and seawall) are near completion. 175th Avenue East now has a new sidewalk.

2003 will be a challenging year. We are working on a \$1-million stormwater grant, the addition of palm trees to Gulf Boulevard and other community improvements.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 10, 2002 Regular Meeting

Motion by: Commissioner Foerster to approve December 10, 2002 Minutes as read.

Second by: Vice Mayor Dopp.

Roll Call: All yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by: Commissioner Foerster to approve the list of bills to be paid and ratified as submitted.

Second by: Vice Mayor Dopp.

Roll Call: All yes.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Vice Mayor Commissioner Dopp, Commissioner District No 1

Stormwater Corrections – Since Attorney Denhardt has not received a response from the correspondence sent to Kamminga and Roodvoets (K & R) concerning the corrections they should do for last year's stormwater project, he recommended litigation. K & R is blaming Wade Trim Engineers; Wade Trim inspected the areas of concern determining this to be a workmanship problem.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Dopp to authorize Attorney Denhardt to pursue litigation with Kamminga and Roodvoets to correct the problems within this stormwater project.

Second by: Commissioner Scarpitta.

Roll Call: All yes.

Commissioner O'Connor, Commissioner District No 2

Constitution Park Grant – is on schedule and we should know more at the February Meeting.

Water Park and Beach Accesses Grant – will take place next year.

Commissioner Foerster, Commissioner District No 4

Police Report – Traffic citations, parking tickets and warnings are down; arrests are up.

Commissioner Scarpitta, Commissioner District No 3

None.

Mayor Beyrouti

Tennis Courts – The Commission was in agreement to charge \$.50 for thirty minutes of metered lighting.

Gulf Boulevard Beautification – Pinellas County and the design contractor met here at Redington Shores Town Hall last month. The issue of discussion was cable undergrounding and financing.

Mayors' Council – The Mayors are working with the County on the American Assembly. Six task force committees, comprised of citizens, will address e.g. the future of annexation, fire protection services, and health issues.

BIG-C – will meet here on Wednesday, January 22 at 9:00 a.m. Mayor Beyrouti extended an invitation to everyone interested. Progress Energy [Florida Power] will speak about Gulf Boulevard undergrounding. Another issue at hand is development in the beach communities. The municipalities want the State to make a provision that each individual municipality may establish and control its own density.

OLD BUSINESS

City Planner Dr. James Moore

Mayor Beyrouti will be meeting with Dr. Moore tomorrow to go over the contract.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment to Financial Advisory Committee

Since Commissioner Scarpitta had to resign from the Financial Advisory Committee, we are in need a replacement. Anyone interested is asked to bring a resume to the Town Clerk. This Committee reviews and assists with the annual budget

Proposed Memorial for Vice Mayor Clell Miller

Mayor Beyrouti noted that Vice Mayor Miller's wife would like to see a memorial for Mr. Miller and suggested a pedestal type plaque with his name and dates he served the Town. Since Mr. Miller was so fond of the new Town Hall, the plaque would be placed at Town Hall.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Dopp to have a memorial plaque made for Vice Mayor Clell Miller.

Second by: Commissioner Foerster.

Roll Call: All yes.

MISCELLANEOUS

Reclaimed Water – The County met here on January 9 to discuss with the residents the application, connection procedures, inspections, etc. involved with the reclaimed water. There was a very good citizen turnout.

Lift Stations Repairs – the 176th Avenue lift station and 178th Avenue West lift station are almost fifty years old and in need of repairs. Since estimates are over \$5,000 each, we will need to go out for sealed bids.

Motion by: Commissioner O'Connor to post an advertisement on the Town's Bulletin Boards and call appropriate contractors to submit sealed bids for repair of the lift stations at (1) 176th Avenue and 1st Street East, and (2) 178th Avenue West and Gulf Boulevard.

Second by: Commissioner Foerster.

Roll Call: All yes.

Proclamation, January as National Mentoring Month

Attorney Denhardt read a proclamation requesting the Town of Redington Shores to support the Pinellas County Board of Commissioners in proclaiming January as National Mentoring Month. Mayor Beyrouti proclaimed same.

Town Election

Mayor Beyrouti reminded everyone that January 24, 12-noon is the deadline for qualifying for candidacy in the March 11 Municipal Election.

Time being 8:00 p.m. and no further business, the Meeting was adjourned.

Donna J. Draper, CMC
Town Clerk

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