

**WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2005 – 4:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present upon Roll Call: Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Holmes, and Attorney Denhardt.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of New Sound System: The Commissioners reviewed 3 quotes provided for the new sound system requested by Mayor Beyrouiti. The improvements are designed to improve sound levels and alleviate crackling noises from the microphones. There is a proposed hearing-impaired system included. Jersey Jim Towers, Technical Resource Group (TRG) and AV Specialists, Inc. provided quotes. As the quotes varied greatly in price, and the description of equipment was also different with each company, the Commission agreed to further investigate sound systems before making a decision. Commissioner Reynolds offered to investigate the Town's more specific sound needs with PTEC, where he has professional experience. It was agreed to wait to prepare a request for proposal for new bids until further research is done.

Approval to Scan Records onto CD: Mary Palmer, Town Clerk, provided 3 proposals to digitize the backlog of ordinances, minutes and resolutions onto CD's for storage. Mrs. Palmer indicated that there is adequate funding in this year's budget to pay for the service, which was quoted by Image One, MCCI and Microfile.

A discussion followed regarding the legality of maintaining all records on CD's and eliminating paper originals. Attorney Denhardt explained that a digitized copy of a record is considered a legal permanent copy only if the paper copy is destroyed. Commissioner Holmes suggested keeping paper copies until the first set of records is placed on CD, then making a decision to destroy or keep copies. It was also suggested to include sufficient monies in next year's budget to continue the conversion onto CD. The Commission agreed to place the proposals on the February Commission meeting for approval.

MISCELLANEOUS

Attorney Denhardt introduced a letter from Attorney Louis Kwall who is representing the Hotel Isis. The letter explained that the new noise ordinance, effective June 2004 has affected several scheduled weddings at the hotel. All but 3 weddings – February 19, April 16 and May 7 have been canceled. Attorney Kwall asked permission to "grandfather" the 3 existing weddings, which could not be canceled in time, in order to avoid a potential lawsuit by the clients. Attorney Denhardt recommended permitting the weddings to take place. The Commission was in agreement for Attorney Denhardt to prepare an agreement.

Undergrounding Project: Building Official Mike Nadeau reported that the undergrounding project, begun 6 months ago at a cost of \$314,000, has resumed after a delay caused by hurricanes. He stated the work, including work by D'Andrea Electric, Bright House, Progress Energy and Verizon is nearing completion. The work, including installation of 17 new street lights for 177th Ave., 178th Ave., Coral, Atoll and Lee Avenues

should be finished by the end of March. Town Administrator Don Lusk suggested informing residents on the streets affected by the new street lights that they will be without lighting for a period of time due to construction. Mr. Lusk also indicated that the Town's undergrounding study should be completed by the end of April, with the residential portion to be done first.

Administrator Lusk discussed the proposed ordinance regarding the need for 10 foot easements on the west side of Gulf Blvd. for new construction. After discussion it was determined that the Town's current PUD ordinance would need to be amended. Attorney Denhardt will prepare a resolution for the next Board of Commissioners meeting, sending these ordinances to the Planning & Zoning Board as the local Planning Agency.

Finally, Commissioner Jody Armstrong requested input from the Commission regarding ideas for improvement of Beach Access areas, stating an existing budget of approximately \$60-70,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Patti Herr
Administrative Secretary