

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2004 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Present upon roll call: Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Holmes and Vice Mayor Lishamer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 13, 2004 Regular Meeting

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the January 13, 2004 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS - February 2004

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the February 2004 list of bills, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

Charter Review Committee – the committee has met six times since September. Vice Mayor Lishamer is recommending dissolving the committee at this time for the following reasons: conflict in meeting times, very rarely has there been four members at a meeting, Vice Mayor Lishamer thanked the committee for their time. Vice Mayor Lishamer would like to resume the charter review when a Town Administrator is in place to assist in this process. Vice Mayor Lishamer also recommends that the committee comprise of two residents from each district. Commissioner Armstrong moved to dissolve the charter review committee at this time, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Landscape Design 175th Ave. East – previously the Commission had preliminary cost to do this project, but was too costly and the Commission decided not to do the landscaping. Vice Mayor Lishamer received a call from resident, Dave Browning wanting to Chair a committee to do a feasibility study to see if it would be feasible to move forward with this project. Commissioner Holmes asked why the need to revisit this if it was too costly previously. Vice Mayor Lishamer explained the Mr. Browning is volunteering his time, and the Town does not have to move forward on this project. Commissioner Reynolds moved that each Commissioner select one representative from their district and coordinate with Dave Browning to come to the Commission at the next meeting with a proposal to go out for bids, or some idea of what they want to do in that area, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner District No 2

Building Department – District Two has several building projects in place and the building department is busy overseeing these projects.

Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner District No 3

Parks and Recreation – The Committee met last month discussing future town events and activities. This discussion will continue at the next meeting, which is held the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and Commissioner Armstrong encourages all residents to attend.

Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner District No 4

Indian Shores Police Department – traffic accidents and criminal activity are down, while traffic citations, parking citations and traffic warnings are up. Commissioner Holmes has received a survey from the Police Department with recommendations of traffic control signs that need to be repaired and/or replaced. Commissioner Holmes and Steve Jordan inspected the signs and are in agreement with about 98% of the survey. Commissioner Holmes has asked Steve to price the signs and about 25 signs will be replaced.

Emergency Management – the County has contracted with Duberry and Davis to provide consulting services for the development of a coordinated Debris Management Plan for Pinellas County and the municipalities. This is very important to the Town and the County has included the municipalities in the planning stages but the consultants will not develop the town plan. What they provide to the town will help to develop about 80% of the plan. FEMA will reimburse the town .75 cent on the dollar provided the town has its own plan, a debris management official, debris load monitor

and funded. This cannot be done after a storm event. Commissioner Holmes will keep the Commission informed as this

Gulf Beaches Library – a meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 11, 2004 at 1:00 p.m., being held at the Redington Beach Town Hall.

Town Administrator – Mr. Chambers will have a list of the final candidates soon. A schedule of meetings needs to be in place. The Commission was in consensus to hold the meetings on March 3rd and 4th and to use the same questions that were asked at the last meetings and eliminate the others.

OLD BUSINESS

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the Advertised Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 04-05, Town Administrator, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Commissioner Holmes.
Commissioner Holmes explained that the changes that were requested by Commissioner Reynolds at last meeting have been made. These changes pertained to paragraphs 3, 4, 7, 8 and 10. Commissioner Holmes read Ord. No. 04-05 by title only. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Ord. 04-05 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds.

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the floor for public comment.

Resident, Gail Conroy asked how the Commission can hire this person without changing the Charter. Commissioner Holmes stated the Commission has the authority to hire someone to work for them. The Commission has been reviewing this process for months and the Town Attorney also has reviewed and approved this process, as there is no conflict with the Town Charter. Commissioner Holmes explained that this position would not have hiring and firing authority.

Resident, Mel Koch asked the Commission to explain why there is a need now for this position. Commissioner Holmes explained that the Town is at a stage where it needs a professional to run the day-to-day business for the Town. There are a lot of State, Federal and Local mandates being implemented on the Town, and there are elected people here that don't have the professionalism to do the day-to-day business that is required and the Commission felt this position is in the best interest for the community.

There being no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll: all yes.

Ordinance No. 04-01, Amending Section 90-120, Land Dedication Units, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Commissioner Reynolds.

Commissioner Reynolds read Ord. No. 04-01 by title only. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Ord. No. 04-01 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes.

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the floor for public comment.

Resident Doris Boggs asked the Commission to delineate what the money would be used for. Commissioner Reynolds explained that at this time the money can only be used for capital improvements to the parks. Since the parks have been updated recently the Commission felt this money could be used for other beautification throughout the Town. The Commission will vote each time when the money is used.

There being no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll: all yes

Ordinance No. 04-02, Amending Section 30-3, Land Dedication units, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds read Ord. No. 04-02 by title only. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Ord. No. 04-02 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong.

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the floor for public comment.

There being no discussion, roll call on the motion and second. Roll call: all yes.

Ordinance No. 04-03, Amending Section 90-100, Providing Accessory Off-Street Parking Lots and Retention Facilities, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Commissioner Reynolds.

Commissioner Reynolds read Ord. No. 04-03 by title only. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Ord. No. 04-03 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes.

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the floor for public comment.

Gail Conroy asked for an explanation of this ordinance. Building Official, Mike Nadeau explained this ordinance relates to the Land Development Agreement the Town has with the Suncoaster Motel, but is also for all of the RM-15 District. Stormwater retention ponds and parking lapped into both properties. The developer is paying to develop the retention ponds.

There being no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll: all yes

Ordinance No. 04-04, Amending Section 90-103, Providing Accessory Off-Street Parking Lots and Retention Facilities, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Commissioner Reynolds.

Commissioner Reynolds read Ord. No. 04-04 by title only. Commissioner Reynolds moved to pass Ord. 04-04 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes.

Vice Mayor Lishamer opened the floor for public comment. There being no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll: all yes.

Ordinance No. 04-06, Amending Section 140-2 and 140-3, First Reading – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes read Ord. 04-06 by title only. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Ord. No. 04-06 on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Commissioner Armstrong asked if the police would enforce this ordinance with the change from 24 to 72 hours in regard to vehicles left unattended on the streets or right of way. Commissioner Holmes stated they would be enforcing this amended ordinance. There being no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll: all yes.

Vice Mayor Lishamer closed the Advertised Public Hearing.

Urban Design Guidelines Committee Recommendation - Mayor Beyrouti

Vice Mayor Lishamer asked Chairmen Harrell Altizer to address the Commission and audience on the Urban Design Guidelines. Mr. Altizer briefly went over the creation and process of the Committee. The Committee at this point is recommending the Commission adopt these guidelines as submitted. Commissioner Reynolds also being on the committee commented on the process. Mike Nadeau stated the next step was that the town is going to hire HDR to do an overlay ordinance and rewrite the town's Land Development Code to adopt the Urban Design Guidelines. Mike suggested rewriting the current Land Development Code and then doing the overlay of the adopted Urban Design Guidelines. Commissioner Reynolds moved to accept the recommendations from HDR and proceed with what ever legal means the town needs to adopt the guidelines into the town code, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes. Harrell Altizer presented to each committee member a personalized copy of the Urban Design Guideline document.

Travel Policy Review - Mayor Beyrouti

Tabled to next meeting, as Mayor Beyrouti was not in attendance.

Undergrounding Report - Mike Nadeau, Building Official

Mike Nadeau reported he has met with the utility companies, Bright House, Verizon and Progress Energy on January 22, 2004. Progress Energy will have their engineering and final price for all three companies in six weeks. This ndergrounding pricing is for the Phase 5 project.

NEW BUSINESS

Purchase of Lawn Mower - Commissioner Armstrong

Commissioner Armstrong explained that a new mower was purchased in April 2003 and since that time the mower has had repairs in excess of \$160.00. There is no warranty on the mower since it is being used for commercial use. The maintenance staff has asked for a new commercial grade lawnmower. The mower would be purchased under government

pricing. Commissioner Holmes moved to authorize Commissioner Armstrong to purchase a commercial mower for the Town up to \$1,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

Proclamation, Children's Week February 29 - March 5, 2004 - Mayor Beyrouti

Commissioner Reynolds read the Proclamation by title, declaring February 29-March 25, 2004 as Children's Week.

Proclamation, Community Right-To-Know Week, February 22-28, 2004 - Mayor Beyrouti

Commissioner Holmes read the Proclamation declaring February 22-28, 2004 as Community Right-To-Know Week.

Resolution No. 02-04 – Supporting Pinellas Planning Council – Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds read Resolution NO. 02-04 by title. This resolution is supporting the Pinellas Planning Council as an independent planning agency. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Resolution No. 02-04, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

Tree Trimming - Commissioner Armstrong

Commissioner Armstrong would like to seek bids for trimming the trees in Town to include in next years budget. Commissioner Armstrong told the Commission the Parks and Recreation Committee has been surveying town property for safety issues. The Committee is concerned about some of the seawalls the Town owns. The seawall behind the tennis courts is in need of repair and Commissioner Armstrong would like permission to seek bids. Mike Nadeau will prepare the RFP's for the project. Commissioner Reynolds moved to asked Mike Nadeau to prepare an RFP for seawalls in town that need repaired, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Commissioner Reynolds moved to have Mike Nadeau seek bids for trimming the trees in Town, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes. Commissioner Holmes asked Mike Nadeau if he has prepared the RFP for the emergency generator. Mike reported he has not, but will get one done.

Mayor Beyrouti entered the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Travel Policy Review – Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti told the Commission the travel budget is one of the lowest in the County. Commissioner Reynolds asked if there were current rates rather than those based on 1997 information. Commissioner Holmes told the Commission the mileage rate is 37.5 cent per mile. Mayor Beyrouti will revise the policy and give the Commission a final copy.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Beyrouti announced the following meeting dates:

Workshop Meeting - Tuesday, February 24, 2004 - 7:00 P.M.

Municipal Election - Tuesday, March 9, 2004 - District Three (held in conjunction with the County Election)

Canvassing Board Meeting - Wednesday, March 10, 2004 - 7:00 P.M. - Regular Meeting Immediately Following

Commissioner Reynolds requested that the workshop meeting be held at 4:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 p.m, as he has a conflict with the last Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. Commissioner Armstrong indicated she was not sure that 4:00 p.m. would work for her. The consensus of the Commission was to move the workshop meetings to 4:00 p.m. to see how it works.

Mayor Beyrouti gave his Commission report at this time.

Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding – the County Commission has not agreed to pay any money toward the project. The Town is now looking at undergrounding the Town municipal roads.

BIG-C – No major issues at this time.

Pinellas County Assembly – the task force have submitted their reports and now the Mayor's Council and the County need to

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approve the recommendations, which will be hard to achieve as the Mayor's Council and the County have only one vote each on the recommendations.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Palmer, CMC
Town Clerk