

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 8, 2003, 7:00 p.m.**

Present upon Roll Call: Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Kaplani, Mayor Beyrouiti, and Attorney Denhardt. Absent: Commissioner Foerster.

OPEN REGULAR MEETING

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 12, 2003 Regular Meeting

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to approve March 12, 2003 Minutes as submitted.

Second by: Commissioner Reynolds.

Roll Call: All yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to approve the list of bills to be paid and ratified as presented.

Second by: Commissioner Reynolds.

Commissioner Kaplani expressed concern regarding the list of bills stating that he felt copies of all invoices should be attached. Mayor Beyrouiti responded noting that all individual invoices are available at any time to all Commissioners and please check with Town Treasurer Donna Draper.

Roll call: Commissioner Kaplani, no; Commissioner Reynolds, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, yes; Mayor Beyrouiti, yes.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Mayor Beyrouiti

Sewer - Repair of the two lift stations (176th Avenue and 1st Street East; and 178th Avenue West and Gulf Boulevard) is underway.

Gulf Beaches Beautification - Mayor Beyrouiti and County Commissioner John Morroni co-chaired a meeting on March 20 regarding this project. All twenty-four municipalities and the County are working together. Mayor Beyrouiti reviewed the history of financing this project. The committee asked contractor Phil Graham to present an alternative that would lower his quote of \$79-million. He suggested changing the entry way and underground only the power lines that cross Gulf Boulevard and not underground the lines on the sides of Gulf Boulevard. Since the Committee is not in favor of this alternative, representatives of the beach communities will be proposing to ask Mr. Graham to give a price to underground Gulf Boulevard [separate from beautification] and the beach municipalities would do the beautification on its own.

Mayors' Council / American Assembly - The next general Mayors' Council Meeting scheduled for April 16 is open to anyone who would like to attend. The Mayors will be voting and approving the list of task force volunteers. These task force members, representing the County and municipalities working together, will address issues concerning e.g. fire and police services, EMS, annexation, recreation to come up with plans for the betterment of government.

BIG-C - continues to work on issues regarding Gulf Boulevard beautification and beach

renourishment funding. On April 2, Mayor Beyrouti and Commissioner Reynolds attended Florida Legislative Action day in Tallahassee and spoke with Representative Carassas and Senator Jones. The House is trying to take the \$30-million dedicated for beach renourishment and drop it down to \$15-million. The Senate is proposing \$20- to \$25-million. Senator Jones is fighting very hard to maintain the total \$30-million for beach renourishment. Another issue at hand is local shares of the bed-tax that the County charges tourist. The TDC controls this money and asked the County Commissioners to allow them to borrow this money for advertising. This was not approved. The House Finance and Taxation Committee passed a mandate requiring a unanimous vote from the County Commissioners to allow any borrowing of this money. So these funds will stay for renourishment and not be borrowed.

FLC Key Contacts - Mayor Beyrouti attended a meeting in Tallahassee on February 4 and 5. These meetings are for communities working together to become aware of each other's needs. Monies that come available are shared proportionately.

Sand Key Beach Renourishment - The beach renourishment is in progress and should be completed by May 1.

Banners - The Town is very proud of its military and has placed two banners (one at Town Hall and one at Constitution Park) in support of our military troops. Everyone is invited to attend a ceremony this Thursday, April 10 at 10:00 a.m. Meet at Town Hall by the eagle and banner, bring flags and cameras. We will be sending a proclamation to our troops.

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

Street Paving and Stormwater Project - Vice Mayor Lishamer will discuss this at the May Meeting.

Special Master - Vice Mayor Lishamer is looking into having a Special Master to enforce the code. Attorney Denhardt (Special Master for the Town of North Redington Beach and the Town of Redington Beach and Seminole) explained the process and how it is implement.

Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner District No 2

Lift Station at 176th Avenue and 1st Street East - Commissioner Reynolds expressed his thanks for repairing the lift station.

Legislative Action Day - Commissioner Reynolds reiterated that he and Mayor Beyrouti attended Legislative Action Day in Tallahassee. They did lobbying with Senator Dennis Jones and Representative Carassas and discussed the importance of maintaining the beach renourishment funds, which turned out to be successful in passing legislation. Another issue discussed was the QualSure windstorm insurance and homeowners policies.

They also met with our new Attorney General Charlie Crist, who is very dedicated to beach community issues.

Commissioner Kaplani, Commissioner District No 3

Flags on Gulf Boulevard - Commissioner Kaplani thanked the public works department for putting up the flags on the boulevard during the mid-east wartime.

Light on Demand - Commissioner Kaplani spoke with Representative Carassas about installing a light on demand in front of Parsleys Park. Representative Carassas stated that he would first need a resolution passed by the Town Commission.

Speeding on Gulf Boulevard - Commissioner Kaplani would like to explore the possibility of reducing the speed on Gulf Boulevard.

Benefits for Elected Officials - Commissioner Kaplani felt that elected officials should not receive health and life insurance benefits or retirement pensions. He has refused to take these benefits and asked the other Commissioners to consider the same.

OLD BUSINESS

Cumby and Fair, Phase I, District 1, Progress Report, Roadway and Drainage Improvements

Mayor Beyrouiti introduced Mr. Timothy Bourne and Mr. Dave Holland. Mr. Holland presented a progress report noting that the survey is 100% complete and the plans are 60% complete. The plans are approved and should be ready for bid this September. Construction should start in September; completion should take about 120 days. They will repave the outfalls and curbs. There will be Miami gutters approximately 2' wide. Cumby and Fair will notify the residents when they will be in front of their homes. Disruptions will be at a minimum.

Cumby and Fair, Phase V Proposal, Roadway and Drainage Improvements

Mr. Holland spoke of the Phase V proposal. This project will include street paving and storm drainage on all of public rights-of-way on the west side of Gulf Boulevard as well as undergrounding utilities from 176th Avenue West to Coral Avenue and landscaping Gulf Boulevard in the business district from 176th Avenue West to Shell's Restaurant. A detailed topographic survey will be prepared and engineering services to provide putting curbs on both sides of the road, resurfacing the existing asphalt, provide a crown section, adding additional drain systems as needed, design stormwater drainage separators, the SWFWMD grant, and engineering support for street scape for the west side of Gulf Boulevard. All constructions activities will have permits with SWFWMD and DOT and other detail as specified in the contract.

The first grant with SWFWMD and is for 50% of the construction cost with a reimbursement matching fund for up to \$250,000. The second grant is a community development block grant for \$400,000. This project will take approximately three to four months to complete.

Old Town Hall Properties

At the March Meeting Mayor Beyrouiti recommended that the Old Town Hall properties not be sold at this time. Since the value continues to go up, the Town's financial situation is excellent so that the money is not needed at this time, and vacant land is limited, keeping the property would be in the best interest of the community. Attorney Denhardt reviewed the referendum question presented to the voters a few years ago and explained the question noting that this Commission has the authority to either sell or keep the property. Mayor Beyrouiti reviewed the history of this

issue and opened the floor for discussion. It was the consensus of the Commission that if the property is not sold within this next year and it decides to put the question to the voters again next year, it may do so. Mayor Beyrouti requested Attorney Denhardt to advise the Commission as to the process if it decides not to sell the property.

Trees at Medians

Mayor Beyrouti recommended going out for bids to purchase palm tree for the medians, for a price not to exceed \$100,000. This is part of the Gulf Boulevard beautification project.

Motion by: Commissioner Kaplani to advertise to receive sealed bids to purchase palm trees for the medians; price not to exceed \$100,000.

Second by: Vice Mayor Lishamer.

Roll Call: All yes.

Mayor Beyrouti noted that DOT has approved these plans and this price includes everything, e.g. irrigation system, fill, planting.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation to Commissioner O'Connor and Commissioner Scarpitta

Mayor Beyrouti presented appreciation plaques to both Commissioner O'Connor and Scarpitta, and expressed gratitude for all their work.

Commissioner Supervisory Areas

Mayor Beyrouti responded to Commissioner Kaplani's concern for elected officials receiving benefits, stating that besides the work involved and giving up some of their personal time, they also write grants that bring in money for the Town.

Mayor Beyrouti read the following recommendations for Commissioner Supervisory Areas:

Mayor Beyrouti: Finance, BIG-C, FLC, Suncoast League of Cities, FSBPA, Social, Maintenance; Commissioner Reynolds: BIG-C Alternate #2, Building Department, Sewers; Commissioner Foerster, Gulf Beaches Public Library, Emergency Management, Mitigation, MPO, Police, BIG-C Alternate #1; Commissioner Kaplani, Parks and Recreation, PSTA, Fire; Vice Mayor Lishamer, Stormwater, Flood, SWFWMD.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to approve the Mayor's recommendation for Commissioner Supervisory Areas.

Second by: Commissioner Reynolds.

Roll Call: All yes.

Resolution No 06-03, Supporting Gulf Boulevard Roadway Improvements

Mayor Beyrouti explained that this resolution is for improving Gulf Boulevard in the communities of Indian Shores and Indian Rocks Beach by enlarging the lanes from two lanes to three lanes. Attorney Denhardt read Resolution No 06-03 by Title only.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to pass Resolution No 06-03.

Second by: Commissioner Kaplani.

Roll Call: All yes.

Resolution No 07-03, Renew Running Contracts/Agreements

Motion by: Commissioner Kaplani to table this resolution renewing the contract/

agreement with Auditor Tom Pease to the May 6 Workshop.

Second by: Vice Mayor Lishamer.

Roll Call: All yes.

Motion by: Commissioner Kaplani to table this resolution renewing the contract/
agreement with Attorney James Denhardt to the May 6 Workshop.

Second by: Vice Mayor Lishamer.

Roll Call: All yes.

Proclamation, Supporting Armed Forces of the USA

Attorney Denhardt read the Proclamation Supporting Armed Forces of the USA in its entirety. Mayor Beyrouti proclaimed same. Mayor Beyrouti invited everyone to meet at the Town Hall near the eagle and banner on Thursday, April 10 at 10:00 a.m. for a ceremony supporting our military troops. Please bring flags and cameras.

FY 2003/2004 Police Contract, ISPD

Police Chief E. D. Williams, present in the audience, spoke about the upcoming three-year police contract for the FY years 2004 through 2006.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to table this contract to the May 6 Workshop Meeting.

Second by: Commissioner Kaplani.

Roll call: Commissioner Kaplani, yes; Commissioner Reynolds, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, yes; Mayor Beyrouti, no.

Appoint Steering Committee for Business District Redevelopment

Mayor Beyrouti recommended appointing Ron Stein to Chair a steering committee for the business district redevelopment. This chairman would recruit members for the committee and come back to this Commission for approval

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to appoint Ron Stein as Chairman for the Business District Redevelopment Steering Committee.

Second by: Commissioner Kaplani

Roll Call: All yes.

Appoint Steering Committee for City Planning

Mayor Beyrouti recommended appointing Harrell Altizer to Chair a steering committee for the City Planning. This chairman would recruit members for the committee and come back to this Commission for approval

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to appoint Harrell Altizer as Chairman for the City Planning Steering Committee.

Second by: Commissioner Reynolds.

Roll Call: All yes.

This Chairman will form a committee from a cross section of every district in Town.

Mr. Gary Flood (226 176th Avenue) asked about the monies being spent on projects. Mayor Beyrouti responded to his concern and thanked him for his concern.

Appointments/Reappointments to Boards/Committees

Mayor Beyrouti noted that time limits for some of the boards/committees members expire April 2003 and asked the Commission to review each one in his/her respective district, and come back

to the Commission with recommendations for reappointments or new appointments. He also noted that these people need resumes, be present at the Commission Meeting, and may not miss more than three consecutive meetings.

Appeal to Board of Adjustment Decision, 17852 Lee Avenue

Board of Adjustment Chairman Lee Holmes reviewed the basis for this hearing and how the Board determined its decision. Attorney Denhardt read the appeal from Mike Glick. A setback variance to build a new home was granted November 2000 but it has expired and the applicant needs to reapply. Discussion ensued regarding whether or not the height is for three or four floors. Chairman Holmes explained: the ground floor is for parking and is not a living space; the second floor is for one living unit, and the next two floors are one living unit. This building is for two living units.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to uphold the Board of Adjustment decision to grant the front setback variance for a new home per plans.

Second by: Commissioner Kaplani.

Roll call: Commissioner Kaplani, no; Commissioner Reynolds, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, yes; Mayor Beyrouti, yes.

Town Brochures

Mayor Beyrouti stated that we have run out of Town brochures and asked if the Commission would like to have more printed. The following quotes were received:

1. g.graphics - \$2,750.00
2. Colorfast Printing & Graphics - \$1,506.75 plus typesetting charges
3. Spotlight Graphics - \$1,530.00

Motion by: Commissioner Reynolds to order 10,000 brochures from Spotlight Graphics for \$1,530.00.

Second by: Vice Mayor Lishamer

Roll Call: All yes.

Mayor Beyrouti noted that Spotlight Graphics is the company that produced our first 10,000 brochures a few years ago.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank Lorenz, 182nd Avenue East, mentioned that people are going to the beach and parking at Constitution Park and wondered what we could do about it. Vice Mayor Lishamer also had concern for this problem and recommended posting signs.

Motion by: Vice Mayor Lishamer to post signs at Constitution Park that say Parking for Town residents only.

Second by: Commissioner Reynolds.

Roll Call: All yes.

It was also noted that there is an area at the triangle on 180th Avenue West and 181st Avenue West designated for parking.

MISCELLANEOUS

Orientation Meeting - Mayor Beyrouti will schedule an orientation meeting this month to be held as soon as possible. Commissioner Reynolds will be available any morning during the week of April 14-18.

Schedule of Meetings - Commissioner Kaplani would like to have two Meetings a month. Mayor Beyrouti noted that he has scheduled a workshop Meeting for May 6.

Building Department Letter regarding Inspections - Vice Mayor Lishamer would like to add a statement on all permits that require the permit to have a final inspection within six months. Mayor Beyrouti has already talked the Building Official about this.

Town Clerk Resignation - Mayor Beyrouti announced that Town Clerk Donna Draper will be retiring August 15 and read her letter to the Commission.

Mayor Beyrouti noted the following:

- Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, May 6, 2003, 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – Tuesday, May 13, 2003, 7:00 p.m.

Time being 9:30 p.m. and no further business, the Meeting was adjourned.

Donna J. Draper, CMC
Town Clerk

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