

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

Present upon roll call: Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner Holmes, Vice Mayor Lishamer and Attorney Hammond. Absent, Mayor Beyrouti

Vice Mayor Lishamer on behalf of the Town Commission presented Town Clerk Mary Palmer with a certificate of appreciation for 20-years of outstanding service to the Commission, citizens and employees of the Town of Redington Shores.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, Tuesday, July 13, 2004; Workshop Meeting, Tuesday, July 27, 2004

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the minutes of Tuesday, July 13, 2004 and Tuesday, July 27, 2004 as stated, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – August 2004

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

COMMISSION REPORTS

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

Stormwater – Phase 5 project is out for bid. The bids will be opened at the workshop meeting on Tuesday, August 31, 2004. Phase 1 – Engineers Cumbey and Fair are about 99% complete with the design. The grant from SWFWMD has been awarded, which is a matching grant of \$375,000.00. This project will consist of stormwater, paving and curbing work.

Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner District No 2

Sewers – There was a problem with the lift station at 176th Ave. over the weekend. A pump has been sent out for repair. There is a lot of infiltration into the sewer system; sewer tapes will be reviewed to see what can be done to repair this problem.

Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner District No 3

Operation Donation 211 - Commissioner Armstrong thanked all who donated to the food drive, which was a great success. This will be an annual event that the Town will participate in.

Seawall Repairs – Del Bello park seawall repair is underway and on schedule.

Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner District No 4

Indian Shores Police Department – nothing unusual to report.

Emergency Management – Two tropical storms have formed, Bonnie and Charlie. Tropical storm Charlie could possibly be a threat to Florida and Commissioner Holmes advised all to keep a watch on these two systems and review your hurricane plans.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance 04-09, First Reading, and Advertised Public Hearing, Tree/Landscape – Commissioner Reynolds

Vice Mayor Lishamer advised that this was First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing. Commissioner Reynolds explained that this Ordinance has been worked on for the past year and has been reviewed by the

Planning and Zoning Board sitting as the Local Planning Agency. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 04-09 by title. Vice Mayor Lishamer asked if there were any comments or discussion; there being none, Commissioner Reynolds moved to approved Ordinance 04-09 on First Reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Ordinance 04-10, Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing, Early Voting – Administrator Lusk

Vice Mayor Lishamer advised that this was Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 04-10 by title. Town Clerk, Mary Palmer explained that this ordinance relieves the Town of the responsibility of providing early voting. Early voting will be provided through the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections. There being no discussion or comments Commissioner Armstrong moved to adopt Ordinance 04-10 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

Ordinance 04-07 – First Reading/Advertised Public Hearing and Transmittal Hearing – Administrator Lusk

Vice Mayor Lishamer advised that this was First Reading, Advertised Public Hearing and Transmittal Hearing. Vice Mayor Lishamer recused herself from this matter. Administrator Lusk reported that this ordinance has been reviewed by the Local Planning Agency and they are recommending approval of this ordinance. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 04-07 by title only. There being no discussion or comments, Commissioner Holmes moved to adopt Ordinance 04-7 on First Reading, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: Commissioner Armstrong, yes; Commissioner Reynolds, yes; Commissioner Holmes, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, abstain.

Public Hearing Closed.

Ordinance 04-11, First Reading, Amending LDU Fees – Administrator Lusk

Administrator Lusk advised that this proposed Ordinance would give the Commission flexibility in being able to waive certain fees over \$100,000.00 per permit. Vice Mayor Lishamer recused herself from this subject due to possible conflict of interest. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 04-11 by title only. There being no discussion, Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Ordinance 04-11 on First Reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: Commissioner Armstrong, yes; Commissioner Reynolds, yes; Commissioner Holmes, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, abstain.

FY 04/05 Budget – Mayor Beyrouti

Commissioner Holmes told the Commission this is the same budget that the Commission has been working with. The advalorem is at 1.6800. Commissioner Holmes reminded the Commission to review for their department responsibilities, and be prepared to make any changes at the next budget hearing. Commissioner Reynolds asked if the money was put in the budget for the seawall projects. Administrator Lusk told the Commission that money has been put in the budget, being funded out of LDU Reserve. If the Town is billed before October 1, 2004 the budget will be amended.

Debris Removal Contract Letter – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes told the Commission in the current contract with Waste Management Contract debris removal is included but would not be refundable by FEMA. The contract expires November 12, 2004 providing the Town sends a 60-day letter to Waste Management. Commissioner Reynolds moved to give the authority to Mayor Beyrouti to send the letter, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Local Mitigation Strategy – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes told the Commission the Town is a part of the Pinellas County Local Mitigation Plan. The Town has initiatives in the plan and Commissioner Holmes is requesting an additional initiative to the plan over \$300,000.00. The initiative would be to underground all above ground aerial utilities except the District Three Business District that is being done now. Commissioner Holmes moved to add the initiative, seconded Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Presentation of 50th Anniversary Logo – Commissioner Armstrong

Commissioner Armstrong told the Commission resident “Nooks” Dahmer who created the 50th Anniversary Logo is present. Commissioner Armstrong moved to adopt the two logos presented as the 50th Anniversary Logos, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Resolution 09-04, Referring Condo/Hotel Ordinance to the Local Planning Agency – Administrator Lusk

Administrator Lusk explained that this proposed ordinance was at the direction of the Commission at the last workshop meeting. The Town Attorney has drafted a proposed ordinance, for review and changes can be made up until the second reading of this ordinance. The size specified in the ordinance for the condo/hotel unit is 850 square feet. Commissioner Reynolds is concerned about restricting the size of the unit to 850 square feet. Attorney Hammonds read Resolution 09-04 by title. Commissioner Reynolds moved to adopt Resolution 09-04 with further discussion at a workshop in regard to the size of the units, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

NEW BUSINESSEmployee FY/05 Payroll – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes told the commission this is in line for the Budget for FY 05 and funded in the budget. Commissioner Holmes recommends the following: to grant a 3% cost of living increase to all employees except the Town Clerk, which is in line with six out of seven beach town’s surveyed. To increase the Town Clerk’s salary from \$41,200.00 to \$44,000.00, the Town Clerk has performed in an exemplary manner, with much of the time being understaffed while seeking a Town Administrator, this increase would still be less in the Town Clerk’s position in all of the seven beach communities surveyed and for the Board of Commissioners to fund the merit pay program for FY 05. Commissioner Holmes moved to grant a 3% cost of living increase to all employees’ effect October 1st, 2004, except for the Town Clerk, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes. Commissioner Holmes moved to increase the Town Clerk’s salary from \$41,200.00 to \$44,000.00 effective October 1, 2004, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes. Commissioner Holmes moved to fund the merit pay program for FY 05 budget, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Approval of Records Retention; Building Files 10/1/99 – 9/30/03 – Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds explained that records build up and proper disposition is required. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve that the Town Clerk archive the records within the budget amount, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Resolution 08-04, Third Annual Gulf Beaches Half-Marathon – Mayor Beyrouiti

Attorney Hammonds read Resolution 08-04 by title only. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Resolution 08-04 as stated, seconded by Commission Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Authorizing Mayor Beyrouiti to enter into the Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas Planning Council – Administrator Lusk

Administrator Lusk reported to the Commission that 15 other Cities already have an Interlocal Agreement with Pinellas Planning Council (PPC). The Town of Redington Shores has been using the services of the PPC, but the Town has never signed an Interlocal Agreement, which the PPC has asked the Town to sign. The only time it would cost the Town money is when a specific project is being done with the help of the PPC staff. Commissioner Reynolds moved to allow Mayor Beyrouiti to sign the Interlocal Agreement with the Pinellas Planning Council, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Resolution 10-04, Referring PUD Ordinance to the Local Planning Agency – Administrator Lusk

Administrator Lusk explained to the Commission that the Urban Design Guidelines adopted by the Town Commission recommends that the Town develop a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Ordinance. Administrator Lusk is asking the Commission to pass Resolution 10-04. Attorney Hammonds read Resolution 10-04 by title.

Commissioner Holmes moved to adopt Resolution 10-04, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

Approval of up to \$3,200.00 to Pinellas Planning Council for Preparation of PUD Ordinance – Administrator Lusk

Administrator Lusk explained that the PPC staff would help the Town in creating the PUD Ordinance. The amount of \$3,200.00 will not be exceeded. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve up to \$3,200.00 to the Pinellas Planning Council in preparation of the PUD Ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident, Mr. Gregory, 251 176th Ave. Redington Shores addressed the Commission in regard to the turnaround on 176th Ave. East and 176th Ave. Circle and when it will be completed as this project has been discussed for about a year. Commissioner Reynolds explained that this project was addressed at the last meeting. The cost for the project is high and at that time there were only three residents who seemed to have a continued interest. Since the last meeting a resident had a petition signed by at least 18 residents in the area who want the turnaround installed. Administrator Lusk explained to the Commission that if the low bidder is still able to do the job the work can be done without having to go out for sealed bids. Building Official Nadeau told the Commission the low bidder was working in the area at the time, therefore was able to give a low bid. Commissioner Reynolds moved that the Town Administrator contact the prior low bidder to see if he can still do the job for \$4,970.00, with 90-days to complete the job, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes. If the low bidder cannot do the job Commissioner Reynolds moved to allow the Town Administrator to go out for sealed bid for this project as designed, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong.

Resident Norma Reinhardt addressed the Commission in regard to a resolution she had sent to the Commission on behalf of the League of Women Voters. The resolution deals with recommendations improving certain areas to the Patriot Act. Ms. Reinhardt asked the Commission to consider this Resolution.

Resident Mel Koch addressed the Commission in regard to his water bill and charges. He also spoke to the Commission about the standing water on and around his property. Vice Mayor Lishamer told Mr. Koch that Building Official Mike Nadeau will survey the situation.

MISCELLANEOUS

Vice Mayor Lishamer announced the following meeting dates:

Special Meeting – Thursday, August 26, 2004; Amend & Adopt FY 04/05 Proposed Millage and Advalorem Tax and Amend and Adopt FY 04/05 Tentative Budget – 7:00 p.m.

Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, August 31, 2004 – 4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, September 7, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.

Commissioner Holmes told the Commission he will not be able to attend the August 31, 2004 workshop meeting.

Respectfully submitted

Mary F. Palmer, CMC
Town Clerk