

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2005 – 7:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, Tuesday, August 9, 2005; Special Meeting, Thursday, August 18, 2005; Special Meeting, Thursday, August 25, 2005; Workshop Meeting, Tuesday, August 30, 2005; Special Meeting Tuesday, August 30, 2005.

Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve the minutes as stated, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – September 2005

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the September 2005 bills as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti asked all to stand up for a moment of silence for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Mayor Beyrouti explained that the Florida League of Cities has started a program for cities to send staff for relief to cities affected by Hurricane Katrina. Mayor Beyrouti spoke to the Florida League of Cities explaining it would be difficult for Redington Shores to participate, as we are a small city, with a small staff. The Commission discussed sending a relief check to the American Red Cross. Administrator Lusk told the Commission that there is money in the general fund of the FY 04/05 budget for this relief. Commissioner Holmes moved to contribute \$5,000.00 to the victims of Hurricane Katrina paid through the American Red Cross, and for this money to be paid out of the general fund this fiscal year, seconded by Vice Mayor Lishamer. Roll call: all yes.

Undergrounding Gulf Blvd. – The County Board of Commissioners are working towards paying for undergrounding the utilities and the Cities would pay for the landscaping, bus stops, etc.

The speed limit on Gulf Blvd. will be lowered to 35 miles per hour for a seven-month trial period. Mayor Beyrouti has suggested installing stoplights at the crosswalks along Gulf Blvd.

Mayor Beyrouti announced to the Commission and the constituents of the Town that he will not be running for reelection in March 2006 due to personal reasons. Mayor Beyrouti is committed to finishing his term, but will need to leave Town.

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

No report.

Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner District No 2

Absent

Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner District No 3

Commissioner Armstrong reported the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House was good success and was covered nicely by the press. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade will be held on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, prior to the Annual Town Picnic and Recycling Rally, anyone who wishes to participate please contact Town Hall.

The Town will be participating in the Coastal Clean-Up – please watch for notices for the date and time.

Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner District No 4

Indian Shores Police Department – overall activity has been normal.

**OLD BUSINESS**Recommendations from Planning and Zoning Board as Local Planning Agency on Proposed Ordinances, 05-06 and 05-07

Attorney Denhardt explained that the Commission sent the two ordinances to the Planning and Zoning Board sitting as the Local Planning Agency for their review and recommendation to the Commission. The Local Planning Agency has recommended approval of the two proposed ordinances. Commissioner Armstrong would not like to accept Resolution 13-05 (Ord 05-06), for the reason that this amendment gives the Commission too much in the decision making process, but to have these requests go the Planning and Zoning Board first. Administrator Lusk explained that any PUD request would go to the Planning and Zoning Board first for recommendation to the Commission. Attorney Denhardt recommended changing the verbiage to state the Commission has the authority to approve the recommendation only upon a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Board. Vice Mayor Lishamer agrees with Commissioner Armstrong and also is concerned about the fees to be set by the Commission. It was explained that fees should be charged for a PUD request just like fees are charged for Planning and Zoning and Board of Adjustment request. Vice Mayor Lishamer questioned the 75% rebuild along Gulf Blvd., and the different density for condominiums and condo/hotels. It was explained this amendment encourages redevelopment along Gulf Blvd. and is already being done in other cities. After further discussion Commissioner Holmes moved to accept the findings and decisions of the Planning and Zoning Board of Resolutions 13-05 and 14-05. Motion died for lack of second. Commissioner Armstrong moved to accept the Planning and Zoning recommendation on Resolution 14-05 and reject Resolution 13-05. Motion died for lack of a second.

Health Insurance

Mayor Beyrouti tabled this item at this time, as there are some questions on COBRA insurance.

Utility Undergrounding Contracts, Progress Energy and Verizon

Attorney Denhardt explained that Suntrust Bank is unable to approve the loan per their Bond Council until a referendum question is placed on the ballot to allow the Commission to approve a loan. Mayor Beyrouti asked if the contracts could be maintained at the current pricing. Administrator Lusk told the Commission this is being looked into. Consensus of the Commission is to move forward with a referendum question.

Approving Suntrust Contract

See above – Utility Undergrounding

Resident Christy Herig questioned the Commission in regard to the permits being issued on 175<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mayor Beyrouti explained that there have been letters of appeals sent in to the town and Commissioner Holmes will be looking into the appeals.

**NEW BUSINESS**First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing Ordinance 05-06, Amending PUD Ordinance

No Action

First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing Ordinance 05-07, Amending RD-15 Zoning District

No Action

First Reading, Ordinance 05-08, Additional Homestead Exemption

Attorney Denhardt read Ord. 05-08 by title. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to approve Ord. 05-08 on first

reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

First Reading, Ordinance 05-09, Amending Parking Ordinance

Attorney Denhardt read Ord. 05-09 by title. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve Ord. 05-09 on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Appeal Planning & Zoning Decision – 17490 Gulf Blvd. – Ice House

Attorney Reynolds representing Ice House USA addressed the Commission on the proposed Ice House. The Ice House will be placed in the front portion of the lot on Gulf Blvd., there will be an attached trash receptacle for public use and there will be an attendant who will come every day to empty the trash and clean up the surrounding area. The applicants have already received approval from Pinellas County for the utilities, which will be placed underground. Parking counts have been done and will not be affected if the machine is placed. The installation/construction meets FEMA standards (150 mph wind load). The applicant will comply with the sign code. The Commission discussed allowing the ice house if it was placed to the rear of the property closer to the pier. The applicant told the Commission that he had spoken to the adjacent properties and they indicated they would prefer that the machine be placed closer to Gulf Blvd., to help alleviate sounds and light from the machine. Attorney Reynolds told the Commission that there would only be one small light on the machine and would not stray to the other properties and the noise would be the intermittent operation of the machine, which is about 50 to 55 decibels of sound. After further discussion Commissioner Holmes moved to allow the Ice House if the applicant modifies their request and moves the machine to the rear of the property, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Employees Cost of Living Increase

Commissioner Holmes moved to approve a 3% Cost of Living Increase for the Town employees effective October 1, 2005, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Proclamation – Proclaiming August 2005 as Scleroderma Awareness Month

Attorney Denhardt Proclaimed August 2005 as Scleroderma Awareness Month

Approval to Release RFP for Beach Access Grant

Mayor Beyrouti explained that the Town has been awarded a grant to improve three beach accesses in town. Commissioner Armstrong moved to release the RFP for the beach accesses, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Resolution 18-05 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade

Attorney Denhardt read Resolution 18-05 by title. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Resolution 18-05, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Wojeck, resident of Redington Shores reported to the Commission on the reversal of the Blighted area designated in Redington Shores.

Resident Christy Herig made a public request to the Commission not to hold a special meeting on the appeal of the Board of Adjustment.

Mayor Beyrouti explained that since the Town has terminated the Building Official the Town has been able to secure the service of Quorum Services, a Private Provider Service. This company will be able to perform all operations of the building department until the time the Town hires a new Building Official. Attorney Denhardt told the Commission he has reviewed the contract and approves the contract as stated. The firm will be paid \$80.00 per hour, working three days a week, three hours per day; which could be more or less depending on the workload. Commissioner Holmes will be reviewing resumes that the Town receives for the Building Official

position. Commissioner Armstrong moved to enter into a professional service agreement with Quorum Services according to the contract presented and allowing the Mayor to sign on behalf of the Town, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Resident Stefan Korts asked if there is a conflict of interest since this company has been hired as a private provider for the Parsley development. Attorney Denhardt indicated he did not think there was a conflict of interest. Roll call on the motion and second, all yes.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Beyrouti announced the following dates:

Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, September 27, 2005 – 4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, October 11, 2005 – 7:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Lishamer asked to place ordinances 05-06 and 05-07 on the next workshop agenda.

Respectfully submitted

Mary F. Palmer, CMC  
Town Clerk