

**WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2003 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Mayor Beyrouti called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion Amending Section 90-120 LDU Fund

Commissioner Reynolds reviewed the proposed amendments to allow the funds to be used for Town Beautification projects. He pointed out the changes being made and the possible future uses of the funds for Town Beautification projects. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

2. Ordinance 03-08, Amending Chapter 54, Alcoholic Beverages, Second Reading

Mayor Beyrouti explained the "Blue Law" Ordinance and that this would allow alcoholic beverages to be sold at 11:00 A.M. on Sundays as it is County-wide. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

3. Discussion Proposed Ordinance - Tree Removal

Commissioner Reynolds went over the Ordinance that is used by Treasure Island. It was Commissioner Reynolds' opinion that this due to the bureaucracy contained in the document would overwhelm the Building Department in permits, code enforcement, and would create a burden on the Administrative Staff, he went over several parts of the Ordinance he would like to have removed in order to trim down the scope of the proposed Ordinance. He also went over lighting standards along the beaches, and the changes needed in the proposed Ordinance to allow more control over that area during the turtle-breeding season. He stated the entire document needed to be cut down and abbreviated before becoming part of our Code.

A discussion followed on the issue of cutting down the proposed Ordinance and the purpose of getting away from permitting through the County, and the hardship this creates for both citizens and developers. It would also allow the Commission to work directly with developers in the planning stage of projects instead of being under the control of County regulations. It was decided that more study should be done before adopting an Ordinance on Tree Removal and Landscaping. The Building Official, Mike Nadeau, explained the issues of landscaping from a developers viewpoint and the problems with going through the County. He will contact Treasure Island and check on how they are administering their Ordinance, review their Ordinance, and bring a recommendation to the Commissioners on any needed changes to allow the Town control over landscaping issues. The Commissioners will study the proposed Ordinance and the resources needed to administer it. This will not be an agenda item for the Regular meeting, but will be an agenda item for the January Workshop meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Planning & Zoning Recommendation, 17720 Gulf Blvd.

Commissioner Reynolds reported that the Planning and Zoning Board had met last month and recommended approval of the proposed project. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

2. Employees Christmas Bonus

Mayor Beyrouti explained that in the past a sum of \$1500.00 is set aside for Christmas bonus money and divided equally among the employees, and if the bonus is approved the checks are normally handed out at the Town Christmas party. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

3. 2004 Holiday Schedule

Commissioner Holmes explained that normally we follow the County Holiday schedule, and that all of the Commissioners should have a copy of their 2004 schedules, and our proposed Holidays. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

4. Proclamation, January as Florida Jewish History Month

Mayor Beyrouti stated that this would be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

5. Ordinance No. 03-09, Development Agreement, First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing

Mayor Beyrouti reported the Development Agreement was to allow the Town to comply with the study recommendations from Dr. Moore, allowing a strip of business properties along Gulf Boulevard with residential areas behind them, and parking between thus causing a mixed use of the land. He has discussed this with the County Planning Council and they are also excited to see this type of change in our area. This will be the first of this type of land use along the Beaches and will give the Town a unique look and identity among the beach communities. A short discussion followed about making the Board of Commission the approval body within the Ordinance, and density limits and date changes in the document. Mr. Housh Ghovae, of Northside Engineering, spoke to the Board about the details of the proposed project and explained the changes it would create within the Town, he presented artist's drawings to the Board showing both the Business portion and the Residential portion of the proposed Project. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

6. Proposed Ordinance/Town Administrator

Commissioner Holmes presented the rough draft provided by Attorney Denhardt of the proposed Ordinance for the Position of Town Administrator. A brief discussion followed on the proposed Ordinance and having Mr. Chambers review all the employee's job descriptions to prevent overlapping duties or conflicts, also future educational requirements for Town employees. Mr. Bob Chambers presented the list of final candidates for the Town Administrator position to the Board, along with a brief background description of each candidate. He went on to detail the scheduled meetings, interview questions, and interview process. A brief discussion followed on regarding the interview questions and process, and it was decided that Mr. Chambers will act as a Facilitator at the Special Meeting. This will be an agenda item for the Regular meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Beyrouti announced the following meetings:

Special Meeting, Wednesday, December 3, 2003 – 1:00 p.m., Social following

Special Meeting, Thursday, December 4, 2003 – 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting - Tuesday, December 9, 2003 – 7:00 p.m.

Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, January 6, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Beyrouti announced the Lobster Pot Christmas dinner for the elderly and people who are alone on December 18, 2003 at 5:00 P.M. at the Lobster Pot Restaurant.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Hamilton, Admin. Secretary