

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2003 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Wednesday, November 12, 2003, Regular Meeting; Tuesday, December 2, 2003, Workshop Meeting; Wednesday, December 3, 2003, Special Meeting, Thursday, December 4, 2003, Special Meeting. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the bills of December 2003 as submitted, seconded by Vice Mayor Lishamer. Roll call: all yes.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Mayor Beyrouti

Sewers – no problem during the month of November 2003

BIG-C - the monthly meeting will be Wednesday, December 10, 2003, 9:00 a.m. at the Indian Shores Town Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend, as there are a lot of important issues that will be discussed.

Mile Markers – are in progress. The last agreement with DOT needs to be finalized. A report was delivered from the Transportation Task Force, which recognized the importance of Gulf Boulevard beautification.

Annual Tree Lighting – the tree lighting was another successful event. Mayor Beyrouti thanked all the volunteers and staff for their help.

Pinellas County Legislation Delegation – Mayor Beyrouti, as President of the BIG-C, addressed the Delegation at a meeting last Thursday, to urge them to protect the funding for beach renourishment for the State of Florida.

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

Vice Mayor Lishamer reported Cumby and Fair have submitted the application for the grant. The total project cost is \$750,000.00, which will be funded as a 50/50 grant. If we are not approved for the grant, the repaving project will still be completed.

Vice Mayor Lishamer asked Commissioner Holmes to look into the parking ordinance in regard to parking relief on the cul-de-sacs.

Commissioner Reynolds, Commissioner District No 2

Commissioner Reynolds reported there are several issues on the agenda in regard to Land Development Regulations and Planning and Zoning Regulations.

Commissioner Reynolds wished all peace and prosperity during the Holiday Season.

Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner District No 3

Parks and Recreation - Commissioner Armstrong reported she has met with the Parks and Recreation Committee. The committee will be meeting on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The committee is in the process of reviewing the status of the current parks.

Charter Review Committee - Commissioner Armstrong has an appointee for this committee, and will discuss this issue at the time it is brought up on the agenda.

Commissioner Holmes, Commissioner District No 4

Indian Shores Police – Criminal reports, arrest and traffic citations were all up. There has been a very high profile of patrolling in the community.

Gulf Beach Library – A meeting will be held December 10, 2003, at 1:00 p.m, at North Redington Beach Town Hall.

Guest Speaker: Debra Shade, Neighborly Care Network

Ms. Shade addressed the Commission discussing an upcoming program in which a pharmacy is opening for seniors only. The pharmacy will be located in Palm Harbor, and will offer free delivery. The medications will be sold at cost and will be offered only to those seniors who do not have insurance. The Neighborly Care Network is asking for a bill to be passed to sponsor the overhead of the pharmacist, the technician, and the driver. The bill being drafted is sponsored by Representative Bill Bilirakis, co-sponsored by Senator Fasano and Senator Dennis Jones. The Commission thanked Ms. Shade for her presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution 23-03, Proposed Amendment to the Land Development Regulations to the Local Planning Agency - Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds explained that the Land Development Fund monies are now used for capital improvement to the parks. This Resolution if passed, will send the proposed ordinance to the Planning and Zoning Board for review and recommendation to the Commission. Attorney Denhardt read Resolution 23-03 by title only. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve Resolution 23-03, seconded by Commission Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Ordinance 03-08, Amending Chapter 54, Alcoholic Beverages, Second Reading, Advertised Public Hearing – Mayor Beyrouiti

Mayor Beyrouiti opened the Advertised Public Hearing. Attorney Denhardt read Ord. 03-08 by title. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve Ord. 03-08 as amended on second reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Lishamer. Roll call: all yes.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning & Zoning Recommendation, 17720 Gulf Blvd. – Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds explained the developers Sunvista Ventures have appeared before the Board of Adjustment and received variances for the project. They then appeared before the Planning and Zoning for site plan approval. The Planning and Zoning have recommended to the Board of Commissioners to approve the site plan. Al Cowan, the Director of Development for Simdag Investments addressed the Commission explaining that they have been working with the Town for eight months in regard to this project. This is a high quality mixed-use project, with commercial space on the Gulf Boulevard side and the condominium units beach side. This project coincides with the design guidelines the Town has been working on with HDR Engineering. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve the Planning and Zoning recommendation, seconded by Commissioner Holmes.

Resident, John Bagley, (130 177th Terrace West) asked to go on record as being opposed to this project, as he will lose his water view. Resident, Gail Conroy voiced opposition to this project. After further discussion roll call was taken on the motion and second. Roll call: all yes.

Planning & Zoning Recommendation, 165A 174th Ave. Special Use Home Occupation - Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds explained that the Planning and Zoning Board has recommended approval for the applicant to have a massage therapy business at 165A 174th Ave. Commissioner Reynolds moved to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Board, seconded by Commissioner Holmes.

Vice Mayor Lishamer told the Commission this area is zoned RD-15, which is primarily residential and is concerned about a commercial business operating in this area. Resident, Jim Parker (233 174th Ave. East) and resident, Tom Kapper, (17404 1st Street East) told the Commission they oppose allowing a commercial business in a residential area. Commissioner Holmes asked if 165A 174th Ave. is a home. It was determined that this property is a duplex. Building Official, Mike Nadeau told the Commission the applicant lives on one side of the duplex and will operate the business on the other side. After no further discussion roll call on the motion and second. Roll call: all no.

2004 Holiday Schedule – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes explained that each year the Commission approves the Holiday Schedule that is in conjunction with the County schedule. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the 2004 Holiday Schedule, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Ordinance No. 03-09, Development Agreement, First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti announced this is an advertised public hearing. Attorney Denhardt read Ord. 03-09 by title. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to approve Ordinance 03-09 as stated, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Resident, John Bagley asked to go on record in opposition to this Ordinance, as it is related to the project at 17720 Gulf Boulevard. After no further discussion roll call was taken on the motion and second. Roll call: all yes. Attorney Denhardt announced the second reading on this Ordinance will be January 13, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Beyrouti closed the advertised public hearing.

Proposed Ordinance/Town Administrator – Commissioner Holmes

Commissioner Holmes reported to the Commission that candidate Paul Sabiston is sending a letter to the Mayor stating he is withdrawing as a candidate. Mr. Chambers is reviewing other resumes that he has. Commissioner Holmes asked the Commission to review the proposed ordinance and be ready to discuss at the January workshop meeting. Commissioner Holmes provided the Commission with a draft Employment Agreement for the Town Administrator, and asked the Commission to please review.

Proposed Ordinance/Amending Section 90-100; Accessory Off-street Parking Lots and Retention Facilities - Commissioner Reynolds

Commissioner Reynolds told the Commission this ordinance deals with the RM-15 zoning district adding Section G, allowing accessory off-street parking lots and retention facilities as a special exception. Mike Nadeau explained this amendment is appropriate to the mixed-use projects such as the one proposed at 17720 Gulf Blvd. This ordinance will have the first advertised public hearing at the January Commission meeting.

Appointment Charter Review Committee, Dist. 3 – Commissioner Armstrong

Commissioner Armstrong told the Commission she would like to nominate Marty Fisher for the appointment to the Charter Review Committee, representing District 3. Ms. Fisher introduced herself to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Armstrong moved to approve the appointment of Ms. Fisher, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

Resolution 22-03, Beach Management Funding – Mayor Beyrouti

Attorney Denhardt read Resolution 22-03 by title. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to adopt Resolution 22-03 as stated, seconded by Commissioner Reynolds. Roll call: all yes.

Approval of Capital Improvement Plan - Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti explained to the Commission some numbers have been revised to clearly show how the Penny for Pinellas monies are used. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the Capital Improvement Plan 2002-2007, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Vice Mayor Lishamer stated that the monies for the projects Phase 1 and Phase 5 would be from the Penny for Pinellas fund and the stormwater utility fund. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to amend the motion stating, a portion of these funds will be coming out of the stormwater utility fund, Commissioner Reynolds second the motion as amended. Roll call: all yes.

Proclamation – January 2004 as Florida Jewish History Month – Mayor Beyrouti

Attorney Denhardt read the Proclamation as submitted.

Employees Christmas Bonus – Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti explained each year the Christmas Bonus for the employees is split between the budgeted amount of \$1,500.00. Commissioner Reynolds moved to provide \$1,500.00 for Christmas Bonuses to all employees divided equally, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Beyrouti opened the floor for public comments.

Resident Carl Miller asked if there was a Capital Improvement Plan for the Town. Mayor Beyrouti told Mr. Miller he would give him a copy.

Resident Christy Herig asked about the details on under grounding the utilities. Ms. Herig offered her help to the Commission in regard to the under grounding.

Resident George Anderson asked if an ordinance is in place for new homes requiring under grounding utilities. Mayor Beyrouti explained an ordinance is in place for new construction and substantial improvement projects over \$10,000.00.

Mayor Beyrouti announced the following meeting dates:

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

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 13, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Beyrouti wished all a happy holiday season and asked all to remember our troops.

Respectfully submitted

Mary F. Palmer, CMC
Town Clerk