

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2006 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 3rd, 2006; Special Meeting, Tuesday, January 31, 2006; Workshop Meeting, Tuesday, January 31, 2006.

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS – February 2006

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

COMMISSION REPORTS

Mayor Beyrouti

Mayor Beyrouti reported he was up in Washington D.C. recently lobbying with other elected officials. Three points he would like to share is (1) the group was lobbying against franchise issues, (2) lobbying for the continuance of the CDBG Grants and (3) supporting Eminent Domain.

Mayor Beyrouti told the Commission the Town Auditor has requested a formal vote approving the new figures of the Undergrounding Project. Verizon, \$1,697,142.00; Brighthouse, \$516,258.00 and Progress Energy, \$2,199,360.00. Commissioner Holmes moved to approve the new figures as stated, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes. Commissioner Branch asked about the status of the staking of the right-of-ways. Attorney Denhardt explained that he has sent Progress Energy a letter stating the Town signed the original contract, which states that they are responsible for surveying the right-of-ways.

Underground Gulf Boulevard – the County is working on financing the undergrounding and the cities will be responsible for the landscaping. The County has been asked to attend one of the BIG-C meetings and also to attend individual city meetings.

Vice Mayor Lishamer, Commissioner District No 1

Stormwater/Paving project is underway, the Town has asked Rowland to hold up on the paving due to the undergrounding. Mayor Beyrouti told the Commission a motion is needed to extend the Rowland Project since the Town did ask them to slow up on the paving. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to give Mayor Beyrouti authority to extend the project as he sees fit, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Commissioner Branch, Commissioner District No 2

Commissioner Branch reported he has had a lot of concern from residents in regard to the wall/fence at Redington Shores Yacht and Tennis Club. Commissioner Branch asked Mayor Beyrouti to comment. Mayor Beyrouti explained the PUD for this project was submitted to the Town and was it was recommended to approve this PUD by the prior Town Administrator and Building Official. This PUD stated the fence would be six-foot from grade.

Commissioner Armstrong, Commissioner District No 3

Members of the Parks and Recreation Committee walked the beach and surveyed each beach access for needs of improvements.

OLD BUSINESSOpen Sealed Bids – Beach Accesses

Attorney Denhardt opened the bids announcing the following:

Oakhurst Construction - \$189,658.00

JB Construction LLC - \$184,995.00

The amount of the grant the Town has for this project is \$97,000.00. Commissioner Armstrong will review these bids with the building official.

March Meeting Date

Attorney Denhardt explained that the Town Clerk would not be able to represent the Town Commission on the canvassing board. On March 14th and on March 18th the canvassing board members will need to be at the Supervisor of Elections Office for meetings. Commissioner Armstrong and Commissioner Branch will not be able to attend, as they are candidates. The three members to attend will be Mayor Beyrouti, Vice Mayor Lishamer and Commissioner Holmes. The Commission discussed the need to change the March meeting date to conform to the new provisional ballot law. Commissioner Holmes moved to move the March meeting to Monday, March 20th at 7:00 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

Light Fixtures and Poles – Undergrounding

Mayor Beyrouti explained that the Commission needs to decide whether to buy or lease the fixtures and poles for the undergrounding. The purchase amount is \$665,474.00 and the annual lease price is at \$75,198.12. The Commission had more questions in regard to leasing. Mayor Beyrouti recommends leasing the equipment. After further discussion Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to give Mayor Beyrouti the authority to negotiate the lease and bring back to the Commission for final approval, seconded by Commissioner Holmes. Roll call: all yes.

EAR Report

Commissioner Armstrong reported the Planning and Zoning Board would be meeting again to vote to send their final recommendations to the Commission. The Commission needs to decide who they would like to prepare the EAR. Tampa Bay Engineering proposes \$25,244.63; Wade Trim Engineering, \$70,000.00 to 90,000.00 and Pinellas Planning Council proposes \$10,000.00 to 12,500.00. Commissioner Armstrong moved to have Planning Council to prepare the EAR for the town, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes.

Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing, Ordinance 05-11 – Amending Section 90-5

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 05-11 by title. Commissioner Holmes moved that we amend Ordinance No. 05-11 to contain the amendments presented before us this evening, and further move that we pass Ordinance 05-11 on second reading, as amended, seconded by Vice Mayor Lishamer. Mayor Beyrouti asked for discussion. Resident Mary Purcell asked the Board to give her more time before they vote on this ordinance so she is able to have more time to review. Resident Bridgett Hervey addressed the Commission with concern of the wall/fence that is being built on the Redington Shores Yacht and Tennis Club property. Mrs. Hervey is concerned about vandalism, flooding, which she has pictures of and the obligation from the owners for the up keep of the 2ft area that was created between their properties. Mayor Beyrouti explained that he will allow these concerns to be discussed now, but the ordinance that is before the Commission at this time has nothing to do with the wall/fence that was allowed in the PUD for the Redington Shores Yacht and Tennis Club. After discussion, roll call on the motion, Commissioner Armstrong, yes; Commissioner Branch, no; Commissioner Holmes, yes; Vice Mayor Lishamer, yes; Mayor Beyrouti, yes.

Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing, Ordinance 06-01 – Amending Section 90-3(E) & 90-43(C)

Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 06-01 by title. Commissioner Holmes moved to adopt Ordinance 06-01 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Mayor Beyrouti asked if there was any discussion.

There being none, roll call on the motion, all yes.

First Reading and Advertised Public Hearing, Ordinance 06-02 – Land Use Change, 17730 Gulf Boulevard
Attorney Denhardt read Ordinance 06-02 by title. Mayor Beyrouti asked for any discussion. Commissioner Holmes moved to adopt Ordinance 06-02 on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. This ordinance is changing the land use on the front of this parcel to ROR.

NEW BUSINESS

Building Official Position

Commissioner Holmes explained that he was given the task of finding a new Building Official. The town has completed the search and all of the Commission should have by now interviewed the candidates. Commissioner Holmes moved for the Board of Commission offer the position to Steve Andrews and the Commission allow Commissioner Holmes and Attorney Denhardt to negotiate a contract and the salary offered will be \$63,000.00, seconded by Commissioner Armstrong. Roll call: all yes. Mr. Andrews told the Commission he accepts the “**position**” Commission subject to the contract. Brad Kelley will continue to work with the Building Official. The Mayor and residents commented on how well Brad was doing his job with the Building Department.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Resident Christy Herig asked for the Web Site to be updated with more information placed for viewing. Ms. Herig also commented on cars driving fast thru rainwaters causing a wake, even at the posted speed limit a wake is formed. Ms. Herig suggested the Police Department create a presentation for the web page and a public meeting. Ms. Herig asked that the Commission ask Gannaway Builders to keep the garbage picked up, cranes out of the road way at night, keep large vehicles off the road at least 100 feet from the entrance to 174th Ave. and to use two flagmen instead of one.

Resident Bridgett Hervey voiced concern about the bus stop at 175th Ave. and 175th Terrace Drive due to the large amount of construction. The Town will call to see about having the bus stop moved.

Kathy Lupus commented on the duplication of services between the different cities/towns.

Developer, Mr. Gary Davis addressed the Commission with his request to split lots he is building on down the center. The Town does have a provision in the code to allow these splits to be done, but the code states it will be approved by the Town Administrator. The Town no longer has a Town Administrator, so Mr. Davis is asking what can be done so his request can be moved along. Attorney Denhardt explained that since there is no longer a Town Administrator it would default to the Town Commission who can designate a Commissioner to work with Mr. Davis and approve the request. Vice Mayor Lishamer moved to allow Building Commissioner Holmes to operate to make the decisions for Mr. Davis that the ordinance designates the Town Administrator to make, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Beyrouti announced the following meeting dates:

Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, February, 28th, 2006 – 4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting – Monday, March 20, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Palmer, CMC
Town Clerk