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### WORKSHOP MEETING BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.

#### **MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL:** Commissioner Wojcik; Commissioner Holmes; Vice Mayor Branch; Mayor Adams; Absent: Commissioner Kapper

Mayor Adams explained that Commissioner Kapper is absent due to his daughter's serious illness. He asked for a moment of silence.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

### <u>Proposed Ordinance – Amending Section 127-4 – Garbage Collection</u>

Mayor Adams said that the suggested changes to the garbage ordinance came about due to complaints and subsequent Special Master proceedings against the Seabird Sanctuary, and where they store their trash cans. Due to the existing verbiage in the Ordinance the Town lost the hearing. After reviewing the changes the Commission was asked to make comments. Commissioner Holmes, referring to Section A, asked that clarification be made so that vacant property must keep garbage cans hidden behind the structure; and that unimproved property must not have any cans on the premises. The revised Ordinance will have its first reading at the April 13 Commission meeting. Further discussion ensued regarding the Ordinance, including the length of time residential properties can keep trash cans at the curb. Mayor Adams explained that it mostly has to do with the hours that people leave for work and return.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

### <u>Discussion – Indian Shores Agreement for Law Enforcement Services</u>

Chief E. D. Williams offered an overview of the 2011/2012 budget for Indian Shores Police. Commissioner Holmes asked Chief Williams if the not-to-exceed fee of \$411,647 might be more. Chief Williams said it could marginally exceed the amount. In no event would the increases be more than what the Sheriff's Department would charge for the same services. Commissioner Holmes asked if the Police Department could readjust bargaining units prior to budget concerns. Chief Williams said that past contracts have stayed within the budget projections pretty well.

#### Animal Excrement Removal

Mayor Adams said he has spoken with Dave, the Indian Shores Public Works Director, regarding use of doggie posts with bags for pick up. Indian Shores has seen tremendous improvement in residents' removal of dog waste since the disposal bags have been offered throughout town. Boxes for the bags are free from the company the town uses, and bags are 3 cents each. Commissioner Wojcik said his email responses were positive for installing posts around Town. It was agreed among the Commission to order the bags, and place the posts in most needed areas of Town.

# **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Adams had several pieces of information from the BIG-C meeting Wednesday morning: Pam Dubov, Property Appraiser, indicated that loss in taxable value for Redington Shores is now at -3-5%; for the County it is -5-8%.

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New residents can now apply for Homestead Exemption on line at the Pinellas County website – pcpao.org.

Sea oats will be available from the County in coming weeks, per Andy Squires, Coastal Coordinator.

Beach renourishment for the Sand Key area is on hold until at least 2012 due to funding issues.

There are 2 bills in the legislature – HB883 and SB476 – that gives the State authority to override rental restrictions in individual municipalities.

Mayor Adams was informed that due to construction of the new town hall Indian Shores will not hold a Hurricane Awareness Meeting this year. When asked if he would like to plan one for Redington Shores Town Hall, Commissioner Wojcik said he will wait to respond at a later date.

Vice Mayor John Branch was recognized for his birthday on March 31.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Herr Deputy Town Clerk