

**WORKSHOP MEETING  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

Present upon Roll Call: Commissioner Kapper; Commissioner Holmes; Vice Mayor Branch; Mayor Adams; Commissioner Wojcik absent.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Gulf Beaches Library Interlocal Agreement

Commissioner Holmes explained that the Interlocal Agreement had been approved, then tabled due to revisions by Treasure Island. Commissioner Holmes said the new Agreement includes monetary penalties for termination by a Town as well as request for reinstatement. It was agreed that the Interlocal Agreement will be approved at the September 9 meeting.

Discussion – Maintenance of Foreclosing Properties

Mayor Adams said that there are several homes in Town that are now in foreclosure, and conditions are becoming a nuisance. At the League of Cities conference Mayor Adams attended a nuisance abatement session, and offered a sample program from Port St. Lucie that uses the Commission to enforce code violations, and puts any liens placed on properties by the Town first above banks. After some discussion it was agreed to table further discussion until Attorney Jim Denhardt contacts the attorney for Port St. Lucie.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion - Fixed Asset Amounts

Mayor Adams explained that the current capital equipment threshold is currently at \$200, and should be raised to \$5,000 to meet current reasonable standards, as recommended by the FGFOA. The Commission agreed to the increase, and will vote at the September 9 meeting.

Discussion - Fire Reserves

Commissioner Holmes explained that there is \$92,851.70 in restricted fire reserves, that was accumulated while Redington Shores had a fire department, and there has been no place to use it. As recommended by the Town's auditors this money can be moved to the General Fund for fire services by Resolution. The Commission will vote on the Resolution at the September meeting.

Discussion - Building Fees

Commissioner Holmes said that he and Steve Andrews have reviewed the current building fee schedule, as well as the fees currently being charged for Planning & Zoning hearings. Among the fees Commissioner Holmes recommended increasing are re-inspection fees, plan review fees (charged for \$5,000. or more), fire safety and fire inspection fees, and fees to extend a permit. Commissioner Holmes explained that time is money, and the work involved in processing permits should be reflected in the fees. Commissioner Kapper disagreed with the raise in fees due to economic times, and that higher fees charged to the contractor would be passed on to the resident. Mayor Adams said that based on other towns Redington Shores is behind in what it charges for building fees. When asked whether there were comparisons made to other towns' fees Steve Andrews said that the town is within a reasonable range. After further discussion it was agreed to place Resolution 11-09, amending the building fee schedule, Resolution 12-09, amending the Planning & Zoning fee schedule, and Ordinance 09-03, amending the Code Part 5, on the September meeting for a vote.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Adams reported that after much discussion and cooperation with Pinellas County and local towns Pinellas Suncoast Fire Rescue Squad 26 will remain in service for the barrier island communities.

Mayor Adams said that with regard to the budget, there is an intergovernmental revenue decrease of 1.6%, and if the Town remains at 2.000 Ad Valorem it will have to transfer \$6,613.00 from surplus. Insurance rates will also go up.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Herr  
Deputy Town Clerk