

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2006 – 7:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

Present upon roll call: Commissioner Wojcik, Commissioner Branch, Commissioner Holthaus, Vice Mayor Adams, Mayor Armstrong and Attorney Hammonds.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, August 8, 2006; Special Meeting, August 24, 2006; Workshop Meeting, August 29, 2006; Special Meeting, September 6, 2006

Mayor Armstrong corrected the minutes of September 6, 2006, page two, change “process to bypass”. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve the minutes as stated, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

APPROVAL OF BILLS – SEPTEMBER 2006

Commissioner Wojcik moved to approve the bills as submitted, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

Mayor Armstrong

Mayor Armstrong reported she had attended the Florida League of Cities conference in Jacksonville. Mayor Armstrong met officials from Port Orange Florida. This city has an incredible hurricane response plan. Mayor Armstrong is hoping to invite the City Manager from Port Orange to Redington Shores to speak to the residents and to the BIG-C.

Re-Entry Program – Mayor Armstrong met with Captain Steiner of the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office and he has approved the Redington Shores Re-Entry Program. The Town will have hangtags for residents and if a major storm hits and there is limited access to the island, the residents will be able to by pass the long lines and gain entry to the town in an easier fashion.

Town Picnic – Mayor Armstrong announced the picnic is scheduled for October 14<sup>th</sup> and volunteers are still needed.

Vice Mayor Adams District No 1

Indian Shores Police Department – Parking Citations and Ordinance Violations were up from the previous year.

Commissioner Branch, Commissioner District No 2

Commissioner Branch has received complaints in regard to low water pressure. Any residents who are experiencing low pressure should call the Pinellas County Water Department.

Commissioner Branch asked the residents to watch out for skate boarders as one child was almost hit on Gulf Boulevard.

Commissioner Branch announced that resident Ed Magaldi passed away, Mr. Magaldi was a volunteer for the town helping on the town garage sales, town picnic and other various events in the town.

Commissioner Wojcik, Commissioner District No 3

Commissioner Wojcik reported he is in the process of updating the Town’s Hurricane Preparedness Plan with the Re-Entry Program. The Town Hall has a lot of information for the residents to pick-up to help with preparing for a storm and with after a storm.

Commissioner Holthaus, Commissioner District No 4

Commissioner Holtlaus announced he has been assigned the following supervisory areas, BIG-C Alternate, PSTA and Parks and Recreation. Fares for PSTA will be raised.

Del Bello Park – the sidewalk and fishing pier contract has been awarded to Oakhurst Construction and a notice to proceed has been given to them.

Spitzer Park – some concern has been raised on the recommendation of a half basketball court and the safety of the children.

Constitution Park – the Parks and Recreation Committee recommended waiting until after the town picnic to remove the BBQ Pit. The playground equipment at the park gets very hot during the summer and the kids cannot use it. Commissioner Holthaus will get together with Steve Andrews about painting the equipment to alleviate this problem.

A meeting of the Parks and Recreation is scheduled for the end of September and Commissioner Holthaus will report to the Commission.

Mayor Armstrong announced the three beach accesses are complete.

Mayor Armstrong reported a crosswalk would be installed in the vicinity of the 7-11 store.

Attorney Hammonds reported to the Commission that a hearing in regard to the CRC will be held on Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at the St. Petersburg Court House and the Commission is invited to attend.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing Ordinance 06-12 – Amending Section 90-99 (G) – Lot Splits

Mayor Armstrong explained the code now states that the Town Administrator has authority to approve the lot splits; this ordinance will amend that portion of the code to read Building Official. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 06-12 by title. Vice Mayor Adams moved to adopt Ordinance 06-12 on seconding reading, seconded by Commissioner Holthaus. Commissioner Wojcik asked that if it was clear in the ordinance that the lot splits only apply to existing lots that have existing duplexes. The ordinance does state that fact. Roll call on the motion and second; all yes.

### Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing Ordinance 06-13 – Amending Solid Waste Ordinance

Mayor Armstrong explained this amendment would control the times to place and remove garbage cans. Attorney Hammonds read Ordinance 06-13 by title. Commissioner Branch moved to adopt Ordinance 06-13 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes.

### Debris Management

Mayor Armstrong explained that the Commission reviewed six contracts at the last workshop meeting. Mayor Armstrong asked if the Commission has any recommendation. Commissioner Wojcik would like to have some continuity amongst the towns. Mayor Armstrong explained that she did bring this up at the BIG-C and there was no interest from the other towns. Vice Mayor Adams moved to accept the contract from Rowland, Inc., seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### Appoint Gulf Beaches Library Representative

Mayor Armstrong reported she has contacted Barbara Millar the current representative for the town and has agreed to be reappointed. Commissioner Wojcik moved to reappoint Barbara Millar for a 2-year term, seconded

by Commissioner Holthaus. Roll call: all yes.

#### Employee COLA

Vice Mayor Adams has reviewed the Department of Labor Bureau of Statistics COLA information. The COLA is running from 4% to 5.8%. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve a 4% COLA for employees effective October 1, 2006, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

#### Brad Kelley Evaluation

Vice Mayor Adams reported Brad Kelley has received his evaluation from Steve Jordan and himself. Brad Kelley has worked hand in hand with Rowland during the Stormwater Project, and is always willing to jump in to help with any project. Vice Mayor Adams moved to increase Brad Kelley's pay from \$14.00 per hour to \$14.50 per hour effective next pay period, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

#### Appeal of Board of Adjustment Decision – 17796 Wall Circle – O'Connor

Tabled at the request of the O'Connor's.

#### Appeal to Commission for Special Exception or Change in Code – CNR District 17465 Gulf Blvd.

Mrs. Steinke owner of 17465 Gulf Boulevard addressed the Commission and submitted to them a synopsis of what has transpired since Michele Mitchell came to Town Hall in regard to opening a business at 17465 Gulf Boulevard. There now seems to be a problem that the code does not clearly list a business use for tarot card and palm reading. Mrs. Mitchell will also be selling jewelry, crystals, etc. Attorney Hammonds stated the Town of Redington Shores has an exclusionary zoning code, in that there are specific zoning districts in the code that have specific list as to permitted uses. The Commission has the option to review the code to see if the business would fit under a listed category; or amend the code to specifically list the business being presented to you, if the code is changed it would be a two-month process; another thought that was presented was a exceptional use, this thought would need to be reviewed by Attorney Hammonds to see if this could be done. Mrs. Steinke suggested it be placed under a novelty store. Mrs. Mitchell addressed the Commission telling them under the County it is listed as a professional office, other areas she is listed under a retail store. Residents in the audience were in favor of the business being placed under the "Professional Category". After discussion Vice Mayor Adams moved to place the business under the Professional Category, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

#### Appointment to Planning and Zoning Board District Four

Tabled

#### Appoint Chairperson Planning and Zoning Board

Mayor Armstrong told the Commission a Chairperson does need to be selected since the resignation of Bob Holthaus to become Commissioner. Commissioner Branch moved to appoint Bonnie Stein as the new Chairperson, seconded by Commissioner Holthaus, roll call: all yes.

#### Appointment to Parks and Recreation

Mayor Armstrong told the Commission she was contacted by resident Sherry Jones who is interested in an appointment to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Vice Mayor Adams moved to appoint Sherry Jones to the At Large appointment on the Parks and Recreation Committee, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

#### Parking Ticket Management

Vice Mayor Adams explained that the County will no longer be processing the parking tickets effective January 7, 2007. The Commission has previously discussed this item at a workshop and consensus was to have Indian Shores Police Department handle the processing of the tickets. The County always charged for this processing, the charge will be with Indian Shores Police Department. An outside agency will be used when the money for the parking tickets are not collected. Vice Mayor Adams moved to have Indian Shores Police Department

handle the processing the parking tickets, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes.

#### Approval of Purchase - New Lawn Tractor

Vice Mayor Adams told the Commission that the lawn tractor that the maintenance department now uses is constantly in need of repair and when repairs are needed the tractor needs to be driven down to Bradenton. Vice Mayor Adams told the Commission that three bids have been obtained, all bids are quoted from the State Bid List. Staff has recommended the purchase to be made from Benders Mower and Power for \$5,819.46. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve the purchase of the lawn tractor from Benders Mower and Power for \$5,819.46, seconded by Commissioner Branch. Roll call: all yes.

#### Lift Station 176<sup>th</sup> Ave and 1st Street East

Commissioner Branch explained that himself, Steve Jordan and Steve Andrews had a meeting in regard to the lift station at 176<sup>th</sup> Ave. and 1<sup>st</sup> Street East. The lift station is constantly being repaired, is falling apart and is too small for the area in which it covers. Commissioner Branch asked Building Official to report to the Commission on this item. Mr. Andrews told the Commission they were looking at replacing the lift station and moving it out of the road for safer conditions. The ballpark figure received for replacing the lift station and demolition the old one was approximately \$300,000.00 to \$400,000.00, plans would be needed. To rehab the existing lift station would be between \$180,000.00 to \$200,000.00. A compromise is being looked into by adding some capacity and moving the lift station over. At this time direction is needed by the Commission if they would like to for a rehab on the lift station or adding on to the lift station and making it safer. Commissioner Branch added that the doors of the lift station are in the middle of the road and it cost the town several thousands dollars every few years for repairs, by moving this out of the road and keeping the well there would be the best solution. Mayor Armstrong asked if the Town would be going for design bid or just straight bid. Mr. Andrews indicated that design should be obtained fairly easy by contacting Cumbey and Fair, the engineers who have been working on the stormwater project. Monies are needed for engineering, which could be roughly \$30,000.00. Mayor Armstrong told the Commission there is money in next years budget for infiltration restoration, which can be changed over to these repairs. Mayor Armstrong asked if the Commission would like to allocate monies to the engineering for this project. Commissioner Branch moved to approve money to do a survey and engineering for the project of up to \$30,000.00 and to amend next years budget moving the monies for the infiltration work, seconded Vice Mayor Adams. Roll call: all yes.

#### Approval of Record Retention – Building Department

Mayor Armstrong explained this request is for building department records to be microfilmed and destroyed. Commissioner Branch moved to approve the record retention request, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes.

#### Employee Benefits

Mayor Armstrong explained that the Town has searched for new health benefits and has been working with Mr. Bert Valery of Valery Insurance Agency. The savings will amount to approximately \$40,000.00 to the town. Commissioner Wojcik asked if there would be any problems with preexisting conditions when rolling over to the new plan. Mr. Bert Valery stated there would be none. Vice Mayor Adams asked for the difference between the Blue Cross Blue Shield (BC/BS) 1668 and 1667. Mr. Valery explained that the 1667 would not have deductible for in network and has lower co-pay; and is a comparable program to what now exist. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve the BC/BS Network Advantage 1667, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve the BC/BS Dental, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes. Mr. Valery told the Commission the Vision care is the same plan the Town now has and advises the Commission to stay with the same plan, as the amount he was quoted was a little higher. Town Clerk Mary Palmer will check to see if we can just keep the Vision with Florida League of Cities, if not Commissioner Wojcik moved to approve the Vision with Comp Benefits thru Valery Insurance Agency if the old one cannot be renewed, seconded by Vice Mayor Adams. Roll call: all yes. Vice Mayor Adams moved to approve to approve the Life Insurance with BC/BS, seconded by Commissioner Wojcik. Roll call: all yes. Commissioner Wojcik thanked

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Officer Doug Pasley of the Indian Shores Police Department thanked Mayor Armstrong for her perseverance on working on a re-entry plan for the citizens during an evacuation. This is a valuable program for the Town and Mayor Armstrong worked intensely with the Indian Shores Police Department and Pinellas County Sheriffs Office to achieve approval of this program.

Resident Ken Brown asked about the newspaper stands. Town Clerk Mary Palmer has been working on this project and hopefully the stands will be changed out in the near future.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Armstrong announced the following meeting dates:

Workshop Meeting – Tuesday, September 26, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, October 10, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Palmer, CMC  
Town Clerk