

**WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2011 – 7:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

Present upon roll call: Commissioner Wojcik, Commissioner Kapper, Commissioner Holmes, Vice Mayor Branch, Mayor Adams and Attorney Denhardt.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion – Proposed Ordinance – Planning and Zoning Procedures

Attorney Denhardt explained to the Commission that the Commission establishes the ordinances and has the right to determine what goes before the Planning and Zoning Board (P&Z) and what goes before the Commission. The Commission has the right to decide if the P&Z are the final decision making on issues in the proposed ordinance, or to recommend to the Commission or final decision with any appeals to the Commission for final decision, whatever the Commission wishes can be placed in the ordinance.

Commissioner Holmes voiced concern in regard to not all members having the background and knowledge at first to be making final decisions. Commissioner Holmes suggested the P&Z be a recommendation board to the Commission. The P&Z would gather facts, hear the case and recommend a decision to the board of commissioners for final decision.

Commissioner Kapper agrees with Commissioner Holmes – site plans are very important for both boards to look at.

Commissioner Wojcik stated finding people to serve on the board is not easy. If they are not allowed to make decisions there is no reason to have a P&Z board. Commissioner Wojcik stated he would like to see the P&Z as a decision making board with the Commission dealing with any appeals.

Mayor Adams asked if the board were eliminated or if all final decisions were given by the board of commissioners, who would appeals go through. Attorney Denhardt explained the appeals would be go through the courts, which would cost time and money for the town.

Vice Mayor Branch stated he likes the idea of the P&Z reviewing and recommending to the Commission.

No site plan that contains variances is final until the variances have been approved or denied by the special magistrate.

Attorney Denhardt will amend the proposed ordinance for next workshop meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Adams reported to the Commission that he has authorized an increase for Gary Windon; his new hourly rate will be \$15.00/hr effective October 1, 2011 and will ratify the increase at the next meeting.

Commissioner Wojcik told the Commission he is working on amendments to the Employees Manual – in regard to paid time off. This item will be discussed at the next workshop meeting.

Mayor Adams submitted to the Commission and Interlocal Agreement for the Gulf Boulevard Beautification. Mayor Adams explained this agreement was approved at the BIG-C. Each individual town/city will have their own agreement. Attorney Denhardt will review the agreement.

Mayor Adams announced the following meeting dates:

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, October 12, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Workshop Meeting – Wednesday, October 26, 2011 – 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Palmer, MMC
Town Clerk