#### **WORKSHOP MEETING**

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.

### **MINUTES**

Present upon Roll Call: Commissioner Wojcik; Commissioner Kapper; Commissioner Holmes; Vice Mayor

Branch; Mayor Adams; Attorney Denhardt

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Discussion - Special Magistrate Appointment

Mayor Adams explained that he had asked Jim Denhardt, Town Attorney, to ask for applicants for the position of Special Magistrate for the Town to hear variance requests. Mr. Denhardt said he had received 8 responses to his letter with very good qualifications; and will prepare a Resolution to appoint the position for the October meeting. Mr. Denhardt also said he will include an alternate Special Magistrate, which would be helpful in scheduling meetings. Commissioner Wojcik questioned the need for 2 appointees, and whether they would be of equal standing. Mr. Denhardt said that a proposed hearing date would be set on a regular basis, but that could change or have conflicts with the attorney's schedule. Mr. Denhardt stated that this position is not considered a plush job, and that he was pleased with the number of qualified responses. Discussion ensued regarding the time frame for a decision to be made by the Magistrate following a variance hearing. Mr. Denhardt said that some decisions are immediate, but some require time to decide. Accurate surveys and drawings by the applicant could avoid a site visit; although the consensus of the Commission was that site visits are important. Mayor Adams suggested that a decision on a variance should come fairly quickly; and that both attorneys should come from the same law firm if possible.

The Commission was asked to offer their individual selections for Special Magistrate. James Yacavone and Tom Trask from the firm of Frazer, Hubbard, Brandt, Trask & Yacavone received the most recommendations from the Commissioners. Commissioner Kapper asked if the hourly rate should be set by the Town; Mr. Denhardt said he will talk to the attorneys regarding rates for the Town.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Discussion – 2011 – 2015 Capitol Improvement Plan</u>

Mayor Adams referred to the 5 year Capitol Improvement Plan, 2011-2015, and asked if anyone had anything to add or to change. Vice Mayor Branch asked why the sewer account was decreased from \$142,000 to \$15,000 with the possibility of more repairs needed in the next few years. It was agreed to increase the 2011/2012 budget through 2015 to \$50,000 each year.

Mayor Adams asked Commissioner Wojcik about the access channel, and what it involved. Mayor Adams suggested moving the \$20,000 for improvements to the 2011/2012 fiscal year.

Commissioner Holmes recommended that \$20,000 be added to the 2011/2012 budget for beach walkovers.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Herr Deputy Town Clerk