



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

A **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Redington Shores, Florida was convened at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Vice Mayor Commissioner Lisa Hendrickson, Commissioner Joe Licata, Commissioner Jennie Blackburn, Commissioner Christy Herig

Members Absent: Mayor Mary Beth Henderson (excused absence)

Other Municipal Officials Present: Mike McGlothlin, Town Administrator; Robert Eschenfelder, Town Attorney; Margaret Carey, City Clerk.

1. ROLL CALL BY THE TOWN CLERK

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are of a routine nature or have been previously studied by the Board of Commissioners at a workshop meeting. They are intended to be acted upon in one motion.

Consent Agenda items included approval of the following meeting minutes: Regular Meeting – November 8, 2023, Special Meeting – November 16, 2023, and Workshop Meeting – November 29, 2023

Commissioner Herig motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Licata. Vote taken: All yay.

3. APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. Chief Rick Swan, Indian Shores PD – provided update.
- b. Chief Clint Belk, Madeira Beach Fire Rescue – provided update.
- c. Interim Chief Bill Morelli, Seminole Fire Rescue – provided update. Bill Schobel is the new Fire Chief and will be starting soon.

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 23-13; CREATING ARTICLE III OF CHAPTER 56 OF THE TOWN CODE RELATED TO SHARK FISHING**

Attorney Eschenfelder read the Ordinance title.

Commissioner Herig moved to approve Ordinance 23-13: Creating Article III of Chapter 56 of the Town Code Related to Shark Fishing, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn.

Discussion: Attorney Eschenfelder mentioned that the Florida Constitution may preempt our Ordinance. Be aware.

Public Comment: Jacinda Shapiro, Myriam Parhem, and Park Chapman all spoke in support of the Ordinance and thanked the Board.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously all yay 4 to 0.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **2024 TOWN HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

Clerk Carey explained the schedule presented to the Board is that of Pinellas County Government Holidays and the Board was asked to consider adopting the same schedule for the Town of Redington Shores.

Commissioner Herig moved to approve the 2024 Town Holiday Schedule, seconded by Commissioner Licata. Vote taken: All yay.

b. AGREEMENT FOR CONDUCTING IN-CONJUNCTION MUNICIPAL ELECTION WITH THE PINELLAS COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTION

Clerk Carey explained this is a standard agreement for Pinellas County to assist with our local election.

Commissioner Blackburn moved to approve the Agreement for Conducting In-Conjunction Municipal election with the Pinellas County Supervisor of Election, seconded by Commissioner Licata. Vote taken: All yay.

c. REFUSE RATE INCREASE

Town Administrator McGlothlin asked to move this item to a future meeting.

d. TOWN PARKING FEES AND FINES

Town Administrator McGlothlin discussed parking fines. Currently the fine is \$50 and \$100 after 15 days of nonpayment. The Board last looked at this issue in May of 2023 and it is brought before the Board now because of the need to be consistent with the Indian Shores Police Department. We are now proposing an increase to \$100 for the initial fine and \$200 after 15 days of nonpayment.

Commissioner Herig expressed her opposition to the increase in residential neighborhoods.

Administrator McGlothlin then discussed a fee increase for metered parking. The current fee is \$2.50 per hour which was last increased in 2020 from \$1.00/hour. After a survey of the surrounding beach communities, we discovered we are on the low end of metered parking rates. We are proposing a new fee of \$4.00/hour.

The Board reached consensus and directed the Town Attorney to prepare an Ordinance and Resolution to reflect the increase in fees and fines.

e. PROPOSAL FOR RESTORATION OF DAMAGED LANDSCAPING AT REDINGTON SHORES NATURE PARK

CJ Hoyt, a representative from the Parks & Recreation Committee, presented an update and discussed the most recent rendering submitted by Suttrich Landscape Services. Town Administrator McGlothlin added that 8 bids were sent to landscapers and only 1 response was received. Ms. Hoyt recognized Commissioner Herig and expressed appreciation for her assistance with the project. Approval for this project had previously been granted and budgeted. The Parks & Recreation Committee will also include post a banner at the restoration site that reads "Florida Friendly Restoration in Progress."

6. MISCELLANEOUS

Special Meeting- Wednesday, December 27, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

Regular Meeting- Wednesday, January 10, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

7. COMMISSION REPORTS

a. Mayor Commissioner Henderson – No report.

b. Vice Mayor Commissioner Hendrickson, District 3 - acknowledged the Redington Shores Holiday House Decorating winners. The winners were: 1st Place 17817 Lee Ave, 2nd Place 17555 2nd Street E, and 3rd Place 114 Wimbledon Way. The Vice Mayor also mentioned an Open House Fundraiser for Gulf Beaches Library Jan 25th from 5-8pm. The library is accepting gifts for their silent auction.

c. Commissioner Blackburn, District 1 – No report.

d. Commissioner Herig, District 2 - announced she will be resigning as District 2 Commissioner effective December 30, 2023 due to the Form 6 requirement. She praised the town staff and said that she hopes to continue her involvement with the Town as a volunteer. Commissioner Herig also encouraged everyone to purchase a brick at the Library.

e. Commissioner Licata, District 4 - commended Town Administrator McGlothlin by saying that he is doing a stellar job with following up on everything and the residents are happy.

f. Town Attorney - answered questions from the Board about vacancies going into 2024. The Board agreed that staff should advertise the vacancy for District 2 and request Letters of Interest with a deadline of December 22 at noon. Interested candidates can be discussed at a Special Meeting. The

Board agreed to a Special Meeting on December 27 at 6:00 p.m.

- g. Town Administrator McGlothlin** - updated the Board about his search for a Building Official. No qualified applicants have applied yet. Mr. McGlothlin would like to get a Building Official onboard before moving ahead with the intergovernmental agreement with Redington Beach. He will continue with the search. Mr. McGlothlin also mentioned that the Charter Review Committee will be discussed at the January workshop, so the Resolution can be adopted and ready for March. Finally, Mr. McGlothlin provided Code Enforcement and Permit stats for the month.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret Carey
Town Clerk



Date Approved by Board of Commissioners