

**WORKSHOP MEETING
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2013 – 7:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

Present Upon Roll Call: Commissioner Wojcik; Commissioner Kapper; Commissioner Holmes; Vice Mayor Branch; Mayor Adams

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion FY 2013/2014 Tentative Budget and Ad valorem Tax

Mayor Adams said that the FY 2013/2014 budget is balanced. Commissioner Wojcik asked if there was a grant for an electronic speed sign, that would pay half the cost. Sgt. Jeff Rawson explained that he had gone for a grant twice, but was turned down.

Discussion – Offer from Town of Redington Beach to Purchase Town Lots Located in Redington Beach

Mayor Adams said that Redington Beach has recently offered \$214,648 for the purchase of the 2 lots. After some discussion the Commission agreed to offer to sell the lots for \$350,000. A letter will go out to Redington Beach with the offer.

Discussion – Speed Tables 175th Ave. East

Mayor Adams explained that he and the Commission have read the many emails that have come in stating pro's and cons of installing speed tables on 175th Ave. Mayor Adams clarified that these are not speed bumps, but speed calming devices, with a gentle rise and 22 ft. wide. The Commission offered opinions, with mixed feelings about the installation; all agreed, however, that the residents themselves must take responsibility for the safety of the children, and that it is some of the residents in that area who are doing the speeding. Mayor Adams then opened the discussion to the residents attending, advising that there would be no repeat complaints. An extensive discussion ensued, with many residents offering their opinions for and against speed tables. In response to one resident claiming that many vehicles speed all day long, Major Terry Hughes, Indian Shores Police, said that he assigned an officer to check 175th Ave. all day for 3 days, and only 1 ticket was issued. Mayor Adams recommended lowering the speed limit to 15 mph, and installing some safety signs such as "disabled child in area", Children at Play", etc. Sgt. Rawson advised residents to monitor the neighborhood, and report any vehicle that speeds to the Police.

Discussion Proposed Skateboard Ordinance

Sgt. Rawson explained that the suggested changes to the Skateboard Ordinance made by Commissioner Wojcik are already part of State laws, such as damage to private property, obstructing streets, and trespassing. The Commission had mixed views on the Ordinance: Commissioner Kapper was not in favor of the Ordinance as written, as was Commissioner Wojcik; Commissioner Holmes said that some restrictions are reasonable. Ordinance 13-04 as originally written is scheduled for second reading at the September 11 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion - Parking of Commercial Vehicles - 90-111-A-(4) - Home Based Businesses

The Commission, having no strong opinions at this time, agreed to table the discussion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patti Herr
Deputy Town Clerk

