

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020 – 6:00 P.M.  
MINUTES**

Present upon roll call: Commissioner Blackburn, Commissioner Drumm, Commissioner Neal, Vice Mayor Robinson, Mayor Henderson, and Attorney Rubenstein.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, July 8, 2020; Workshop Meeting, July 29, 2020; Special Meeting, July 29, 2020, and Special Meeting August 3, 2020

Vice Mayor Robinson moved to approve the minutes as stated, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: all yes.

**RATIFICATION OF BILLS – July/August 2020**

Vice Mayor Robinson moved to ratify the July/August 2020 bills, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Vice Mayor Robinson stated he is very perplexed that the billing for the treatment was 79,000.00 this month and we have had no rain. He stated he is concerned the commission keeps discussing this and the bills keep going up. For the past three years purchasing or renting a meter as has been discussed to help try to solve the issue and still nothing has been done. Commissioner Neal stated he has been working on this and we can purchase, but he is trying to find someone to install the meter. This person needs to be certified to install. Commissioner Neal stated he thinks we should sell the system to county, so the town is not burdened with this. Commissioner Neal said the town has been working on the system for the last three years and he will call to have the meter calibrated again. Vice Mayor Robinson stated he is concerned we have been talking about this for some time and asked how difficult it is to acquire a meter. He does not have a problem with the lining, the lining is good, but the town has spent a lot of money on the system and the treatment bills are still very high; the lining may not be the only issue, it could be a meter issue. We need to do everything that we can as quickly as we can to help with this. Commissioner Neal stated we need a certified individual to the install of the meter. Commissioner Neal stated he has been working on this for three years and understands what is being said. Vice Mayor Robinson stated he will help in any way. Commissioner Neal thanked Vice Mayor Robinson, stating he appreciates the offer as he has been working on this by himself for over a year now. Commissioner Blackburn asked if the vendors know installers. Commissioner Neal stated yes, but they are all busy right now. There being no further discussion, roll call: yes. Commissioner Neal suggest not paying the bill until the matter is solved.

**COMMISSION REPORTS**

Mayor Henderson – Mayor Henderson reported Sarah Mauter has resigned her position as Deputy Clerk. She has decided to pursue a career more in line with her degree from college and the town does wish her well. We will be advertising to fill the position.

Crosswalk – the latest report is the tentative start date is the week after Labor Day.

The Personnel Committee has met numerous times and will have a complete draft of the employee manual for Commission review in the next few months.

Indian Shores Police Department - Chief Swann addressed the Commission stating they are still doing well with the Corona Virus preparations. To date, no personnel has contracted the virus. The department has signed a new three-year contract with the FOP, which was approved by the town council. Officer Hadley has been promoted to the rank of MPO and requested for Master Patrol Officer Tindall to the rank of Acting Corporal for the next six months, and if successful will promote permanently. Chief Swann thanked the Commission for their continued support.

Vice Mayor Robinson, Commissioner District No 3

Vice Mayor Robinson – stated the recent scare of the storm was a good drill of our Level One Emergency Plan. Staff were well prepared.

Finance – the finance committee has been working on some good projects in the works, which are almost complete. They have completed the advalorem project.

Vice Mayor Robinson report that we are going to receive a refuse rate increase from our provider, and this increase will be passed onto the residents and commercial businesses. Vice Mayor Robinson reported he did have a discussion with our provider regarding the billing to our residents and commercial properties be handled by them. There is more discussion to be had, before presenting to the Commission.

Vice Mayor Robinson reported he has talked to Chief Swann, Captain Smith and our maintenance staff regarding property being left out on the beach overnight and the possibility of the PD tagging the property so our staff will know in the morning that it was left out overnight.

Commissioner Neal, Commissioner District No 2

Sewers - Commissioner Neal reported the manholes on Gulf Blvd., were repaired in the 90's and are in much need of repair now, as we are having serious issues now, including infiltration. Commissioner Neal is working with Miller Pipeline to get a price for the repairs. Commissioner Neal stated he has been communicating with Pinellas County to acquire an evaluation on getting a figure on what our sewer system is worth. Commissioner Neal stated he will be getting with Town Clerk Palmer regarding information the county needs to be able to give a response.

Commissioner Jennie Blackburn, District No 1

Fire/EMS – Chief Burford addressed the Commission stating there were four non-emergency fire calls with an average response time of 13 24 sec, and two emergency fire call with an average response time 8 min 6 sec.

EMS – nine non-emergency calls with an average response time of five minutes and sixteen seconds; and fifteen emergency responses with an average response time of four minutes and twenty-eight seconds.

Chief Burford reported they have responded to a lot of water rescues up and down Gulf Blvd. Chief Burford stated she will try to have a report next meeting to compare to other years. There was a call at Anglers Cove for a water rescue, the victim started having trouble swimming out in the water and unfortunately the person did not make it.

Chief Burford reported she spoke with Mayor Queen regarding the status of the new fire station. It appears everything on schedule. They will start on the lift station first. Hopeful ribbon cutting at the end of 2022.

Chief Burford stated the ISO reevaluation is coming up. The ability to put out a fire and helps the insurance companies to set the premiums.

Chief Burford reported Clint Belk the interim Fire Chief in Madeira Beach has been appointed to the position permanently. He is a wonderful person to work with and brings a wealth of knowledge to the department.

Commissioner Blackburn thanked Chief Burford for her report.

Parks and Recreation - Commissioner Blackburn thanked Commissioner Neal for forwarding her the complaint on the condition of the tennis court and stated the issue has been resolved today. The

Crime scene tape on the dock at Del Bello Park. Building Official Cooper looked at the dock and was concerned regarding the need of repairs. Commissioner Blackburn stated with the help from Building Official Cooper she has put out an RFP to repair the dock and the dock at the tennis courts. The pavilions at Del Bello Park need repair and this has also been sent out to vendors for quotes to repair. The swings at Constitution Park need repair and we are waiting on prices to replace them. At Spitzer Park a temporary volleyball net was put up by a resident. Since this is more of a children's park, we have a resident who is willing to help fix the net at Constitution Park to regulation standards.

Vice Mayor Robinson at this time thanked the Commission for getting their figures in for the budget.

Commissioner Drumm, Commissioner District No 4

No report this month.

**OLD BUSINESS**Adopt 2020 Disaster Plan

Vice Mayor Robinson thanked all the Commission and Chief Swann for their comments. Vice Mayor Robinson stated Chief Swann has offered to the town the possibility of working from Indian Shores as a secondary EOC if needed for long term. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt the 2020 Disaster Plan, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn. Roll call: all yes.

Mayor Henderson opened the Public Hearing at this time.

Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Ordinance 20-04 – Securing of Outdoor Articles

Attorney Rubenstein read Ordinance 20-04 by title. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt Ordinance 20-04 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Mayor Henderson asked for any comments or discussion. There being none, roll call: all yes.

Second Reading and Advertised Public Hearing – Ordinance 20-06 – Regulations of Vacation Rentals

Attorney Rubenstein read Ordinance 20-06 by title. Mayor Henderson stated she had a recent conversation with the Executive Director of the Commission on Ethics, and it was clarified that she does not have a conflict of interest in this matter, so therefore she will be voting. Vice Mayor Robinson stated the Commission has received emails from Airbnb and Expedia Group a parent organization of VRBO, stating they are in support of the ordinance, but asked for a delay in the implementation of the platforms portion of the ordinance. Vice

Mayor Robinson stated he would like to make a motion to adopt 20-06 and if adopted he would make a second motion to stay the enforcement of Section 90-116 D1 which relates to those platforms to the first of the year. Mayor Henderson opened for public comment. Attendee Monitor, Cinda Krouk asked for anyone wishing to comment to please raise their hand or hit \*6 on their phone. Property Owner, Carol Muszik stated her biggest issue is the penalties for the owners and described a situation that happened to her pertaining to articles left on the beach overnight. Resident, Leslee Coppick thanked the Commission for their work on this ordinance to make their neighborhood a good place to live.

There being no other discussion Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt Ordinance 20-06 on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: Commissioner Blackburn, yes; Commissioner Drumm, yes; Commissioner Neal, no; Vice Mayor Robinson, yes and Mayor Henderson, yes.

Vice Mayor Robinson moved that the Town stay any enforcement pertaining to Section 90-116(D)(1), relating to responsibilities of peer-to-peer or platform entities, until January 1, 2021 in order to allow such entities adequate time to update their systems and comply with Ordinance 20-06, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: Commissioner Blackburn, yes; Commissioner Drumm, yes; Commissioner Neal, no; Vice Mayor Robinson, yes and Mayor Henderson, yes.

#### Resolution 07-20 – Amending CIF Budget

Attorney Rubenstein read Resolution 07-20 by title. Vice Mayor Robinson stated this amendment as discussed at the workshop covers the expense of the new light needed for the crosswalk. At the workshop Duke had a proposal price of \$19,833.10; since then they sent a new proposal stating the reason for the minor increase was, they neglected to add a labor code to the proposal. The proposal is now at \$20,375.69 and is reflected in the amended budget. Vice Mayor Robinson moved to adopt Resolution 07-20, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Roll call: all yes.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Henderson announced the following meeting dates:

Workshop Meeting – Wednesday, August 26, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Regular Meeting – Wednesday, September 9, 2020 – 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Palmer, MMC  
Town Clerk/Treasurer