



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF REDINGTON SHORES
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026, 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: Mayor Commissioner Tom Kapper, Vice Mayor Commissioner Erin Schoos, Commissioner CJ Hoyt (virtual), Commissioner Doug Harr, Commissioner Larry Maynard

Members Absent: none

Other Municipal Officials Present: Town Manager Margaret Carey, Town Clerk Michelle Lowe, Public Works Supervisor Mike Pafumi, Attorney Robert Eschenfelder, Chief Lee Ann Holroyd and Captain Dan Doherty (ISPD), Finance Director Amy Lockhart (Indian Shores), Chief Schobel (Seminole FD), Chief Belk (Madeira FD)

1. ROLL CALL BY THE TOWN CLERK

2. CONSENT AGENDA

a. MINUTES

Commission Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Harr moved to approve the minutes of April 8, 2026, Regular Meeting and April 29, 2026, Workshop, seconded by Commissioner Maynard.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 5 to 0.

3. APPEARANCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. MADEIRA FIRE RESCUE UPDATE** – Chief Belk noted he has a newfound respect for Town Manager Carey and her position after serving as the Interim City Manager of Madeira Beach while a new Town Manager was hired. He noted Madeira Beach’s hurricane expo went well and thanked the Commission and staff for their attendance at the April 5k.
- b. SEMINOLE FIRE RESCUE UPDATE** – Chief Schobel noted there were 35 calls within the Town and informed the Town about the Seminole hurricane meeting on May 20.
- c. INDIAN SHORES PD UPDATE** – Chief Holroyd thanked staff for participating in the hurricane preparedness training and noted May 10 through 16 is Police Memorial Week.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. ISPD Contract and FY27 Budget

Town Manager Carey stated that Indian Shores provided updated budget numbers earlier that afternoon and that, as a result, there would be no vote today, allowing the Commission to review the updated information.

Chief Holroyd reviewed the updated budget information for the following year. ISPD proposed a 5% increase for Fiscal Year 2027. She requested the Commission to vote on the proposed budget and the budget amount.

Discussion:

Discussion ensued regarding the contract approval timeline, ISPD's deadline to receive the approved contract and budget, a cap on contract increases, the proposed fee for the following four years of the contract, renewal of the current contract vs. drafting a new contract, and the Town's budget feasibility.

Attorney Eschenfelder informed the Commission that he would draft a new contract with terms reflecting the proposed 5% increase and would provide it for review. He asked the Commission for direction on what they want included in the new contract and for a special meeting to vote on it.

Public Comment:

NAME	ADDRESS	COMMENT
Jennie Blackburn	17717 Gulf Blvd	She did not understand how the proposed fee went from 600k to 800k back to 600k. She felt there were expenses that ISPD already incurred even if they were not representing our Town. For example, vehicle maintenance.
Mary Gerst	215 174 th Ave E	She was concerned about the timeline for ISPD to approve the budget and contract.
Rich Perez	17725 Long Point Dr	Noted that employees are the most expensive item in a budget. The Town should bare the cost of maintenance as they do provide us good service. He has seen ISPD in action and the sentiment is consistent with everyone that the Town should keep ISPD as our first responders.

Town Manager Carey thanked ISPD for the fantastic job they do for our Town and noted the discussion regarding their services is simply about whether the cost is sustainable. The initial numbers presented were shocking, and budget feasibility was the main concern. As the Town Manager, she did her due diligence, researched other options, including the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office (PCSO), and provided the information to the Commission to make its decision.

Chief Holroyd noted that PCSO is an outstanding agency, but ISPD can provide a different level of service. ISPD officers are dedicated to serving the Community and building relationships within it, whereas the PCSO allows employees to bid for shifts, so you may not get the same officers, and they all have varying levels of experience. She informed that the numbers have changed as she receives direction from the Indian Shores Council and works within her budgetary constraints.

Action: Attorney Eschenfelder will work with the Town Attorney in Indian Shores to propose a new contract and schedule a special meeting to review and vote on it.

Town Manager Carey reviewed the organizational chart and noted that she is the liaison for all vendors, including police services and that the police department, like the Fire Departments, report to the Town Manager. Discussion ensued regarding ISPD reporting directly to the Mayor and Commission and the Town Manager's role.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. RES 01-2026 Public Entity Resolution with Valley Bank – Updating Authorized Signers

Town Manager Carey informed the Commission that there was an issue with the documents, and the item will be forwarded to a future Commission meeting.

b. Second Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Pinellas County – Hours for the County Lot

Town Manager Carey noted a business owner had requested that the County parking lot hours be extended to 10 p.m. The County proposed a contract amendment for a six-month pilot program to assess any unforeseen issues with the extended hours.

Commission Discussion: None.

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Maynard moved to approve the Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Harr.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 5 to 0.

c. First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Pinellas County – DEP Annual Regulatory Program and Surveillance Fee

Town Manager Carey noted NPDES is set to expire, and this amendment extends the Agreement for an additional five years.

Commission Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Commissioner Schoos moved to approve the Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Harr.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 5 to 0.

d. Town Manager's 6-month Evaluation Update

Town Manager Carey noted she has completed six months and received her evaluation scores from Commissioners. The overall score was in the "exceeds expectations" category. She informed that the next evaluation will be her annual evaluation in August.

6. COMMISSION REPORTS

a. Commissioner Harr District 1

Attended the ribbon-cutting for Wahoos Bayside Pub and Grill (Wahoos), and they are now serving their full menu.

b. Commissioner Hoyt District 2

Attended the Property Tax public forum, State of the Beaches Town Hall, Indian Shores Police Department (ISPD) Emergency Preparedness Training, the Big C, and the Wahoos ribbon cutting.

c. Commissioner Maynard District 4

Provided an update on the potential elimination of property taxes. He noted that there is a redistricting of the county that will affect the northern and southern parts of the county.

d. Vice Mayor Commissioner Schoos District 3

Thanked ISPD for hosting the emergency preparedness training; Public Works addressed the debris buildup in the County lot and she informed that the black skimmers are now in her district.

e. Mayor Kapper – none.

f. Town Attorney – Attorney Eschenfelder noted that he had received correspondence regarding shark fishing and that all legal research had been completed and mirrored state regulations. He noted SB 803 will go into effect July 1 and the Town will need to examine the fee schedule and make the necessary changes.

g. Public Works Department – Supervisor Pafumi contacted Spectrum and Verizon to address the broken green utility boxes throughout the Town.

h. Building Department – none.

i. Town Manager – Town Manager Carey noted that April was a busy month; she informed that she would be attending the FCCMA conference in Orlando and reviewed her report. She is

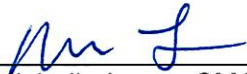
scheduling the County to speak at a future Commission meeting to answer questions from the public about the County Beach access lot.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT – none.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Lowe, CMC
Town Clerk



Date Approved by Board of Commissioners