

# Town of Indian Shores



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## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES - 9 APRIL 2013

**INDIAN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** convened at 6:00 P.M. Those present were Mayor Lawrence, Vice Mayor Smith, Councilor Herndon, Councilor Sutch and Councilor Irelan.

**Also Present:** Attorney Yacavone; Chief Williams; Marcia Grantham, Town Clerk; Mary Karayianes, Director of Finance; Richard Cristini and Janine Bittinger, Auditors; Charlie Parrott; Matt Towson; Larry and Diantha Schear; Jeannie Carlson, Reporter.

### 1.0 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

#### 1.1 Consideration of approving Council Agenda for April 9, 2013.

**MOTION** by Councilor Herndon -- seconded by Councilor Sutch -- to approve Council Agenda for April 9, 2013, as published. Motion carried 5-0.

#### 1.2 Consideration of approving "CONSENT AGENDA", as follows:

##### A. MINUTES: Council - March 26, 2013

**MOTION** by Vice Mayor Smith-- seconded by Councilor Irelan -- to approve "Consent Agenda" covering Minutes, as published. Motion carried 5-0.

##### B. RE-OCCURRING EXPENSES:

**From 3/5/13 thru 3/26/13.**

**MOTION** by Councilor Herndon-- seconded by Vice Mayor Smith -- to approve "Consent Agenda" covering Re-Occurring Expenses, as published. Motion carried 5-0.

James J. Lawrence  
Mayor

Joan G. Herndon  
Vice Mayor

Carole Irelan  
Councilor

Steve Sutch  
Councilor

William F. Smith  
Councilor

E.D. Williams  
Town Administrator  
Chief of Police

Mary Karayianes  
Director of Finance  
and Personnel

Marcia Grantham  
Town Clerk

James Yacavone  
Town Attorney

Lawrence G. Nayman  
Building Code  
Administrator

**1.3 APPROVAL of Committee expenditures: NONE**

**1.4 CORRESPONDENCE:**

*Memo from Town Attorney James Yacavone relative to his retirement in August, 2013.*

*Mayor Lawrence reported the only correspondence was from Attorney Yacavone advising of his retirement in August.*

*Mayor Lawrence stated that he would certainly be missed and that he is the most clear speaking and easy to understand attorney he has met, with all Council members agreeing, and recognizing the great sense of humor that he has.*

*Mayor Lawrence addressed a Memo from Attorney Yacavone wherein he recommends his partner, Bob Metz, who has forwarded a bio and his resume.*

*Mayor Lawrence recommended setting up an appointment with Mr. Metz for Staff to meet and chat with him, and then schedule a Workshop with Mr. Metz and Council members to meet and have conversation with Mr. Metz.*

**1.5 Town Attorney's Report. NONE**

**1.6 Consideration of approving Town's Audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2012.**

*Richard Cristini, Auditor, reported the Town continues to be in a good and strong position.*

*Mr. Cristini summarized and reviewed the Audit Report, as follows:*

*Page 2: Auditor's Report, noted that next year there will be a change in the Auditor's Report. Reported in all material respects, i.e. assets, liabilities, risks, etc., that no significant errors or deficiencies were identified during the audit.*

*Page 16: Statement of Net Assets, with full accrual, total assets, capital equipment and depreciation.*

*Page 17: Statement of Activities, with change in Net Assets of \$97,695.00, with most of that being depreciation.*

*Page 18: Governmental Funds Balance Sheet, reflects how the Council manages the Town Budget, within State guidelines.*

**Page 19:** *Reconciliation of Fund Balance, and includes all funds.*

**Page 20:** *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, reporting the Town did not spend as much as they initially proposed.*

**Page 25:** *Notes to Financial Statements.*

**Page 55:** *Reflects the Non-Spendables.*

*Mr. Cristini briefly addressed the concept of deferred "inflows" and "outflows", and reported that next year the term "Fund Balance" would become known as "Net Position".*

*Mayor Lawrence thanked Richard Cristini and Janine Bittinger for all their hard work on the Town's Audit, and also thanked Mary Karayianes for the excellent job she did on the report.*

*MOTION by Councilor Irelan -- seconded by Councilor Herndon -- to approve Town's Audit prepared by Davidson, Jamieson & Cristini, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Motion carried 5-0.*

**1.7 Consideration of Financial statement for the period ending March 31, 2013.**

*Mary Karayianes, Director of Finance, reported General Fund is in a good position, with revenue received to date at \$1,587,968.00, and \$985,000.00 of that is tax money received and represents 87.8% of budgeted taxes, noting it is on par with last year.*

*The Director of Finance reported the Road and Bridge and CIP accounts were about the same as collected last year at this time, noted general capital items at 8.4% and revenue at 13.1%, and reported on the restricted Police Education and Beautification Funds.*

*MOTION by Vice Mayor Smith -- seconded by Councilor Sutch -- to accept Financial statement for the period ending March 31, 2013, and hold for audit. Motion carried 5-0.*

**1.8 Chief Williams' Report.**

**(1) Landscape/Medians:** *Reported he and Bonnie Dhonau had rode through Town and looked at landscape, noting one (1) Sabal Palm lost on the southern median; also observed losing three (3) more and do not know why. Advised Buccaneer Landscape is coming out to assess situation. Also reported the first island to the north lost some Indian Hawthorne, and will also be looking at that for corrective action.*

- (2) **Police Contract:** Reported tomorrow night he would be meeting with Town of Redington Shores, wherein they will consider the proposed Police Contract Budget for FY 13/14.
- (3) **New Pavilion:** Reported he would be meeting with Steve Vinci, ARC III, to further discuss location and preliminary plans for the proposed new Pavilion.
- (4) **Director of Finance position:** Reported reviewing some applications for Mary's job, advising some decision will need to be made in early May, and noted one prime candidate has withdrawn to accept a job in Pasco County, and a candidate from Maryland was in Town and was interviewed.
- (5) **Fathom's Restaurant Property Project - (formerly Hungry Fisherman Restaurant) :** Reported the package came in today, advising a check has been received for site work to be done

**\*\* Fire Board Commissioner Schear** reported on the Fitch Study relative to various options on Fire Based Transport, advising they have requested a 60 day extension which should be ready by July 15, 2013. He also reported the County is being petitioned by several entities to delay their implementation of Phase III dispatch Until September 1, 2013. He advised the Fire Department is still sending First Responders on all calls.

**Commissioner Schear** also reported the Department had refinanced the new engine, and saved approximately \$10,000.00.

**1.9 Citizens' Comments on any subject.**

- 1) **Anne Miller, resident,** announced ISPOA "Happy Hour" is tomorrow at the Wine Cellar from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
- 2) **Diantha Schear, President, Women's Club,** reported the Women's Club would be holding a meeting on April 11, 2013 at 7 PM to elect officers, and noted there would be a presentation on "Florida on a Tankful".

**1.10 Mayor's and Council Members comments on any subject.**

**Councilor Irelan** reported on April 23, 2013 the Library would hold another Read and Feed featuring the book "Key West, Tequila, a Pinch of Salt, and a Quirky Slice of America.

**Councilor Irelan** thanked everyone who had helped her while she was down with a back problem.

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**Councilor Sutch** reported that his wife Mary is coming home after going north to help their daughter recuperate after an accident.

**Councilor Herndon** reported she has gotten back to the Senior Exercise class, and will be contacting people to try and get the class size up, as many winter visitors have returned.

**Councilor Herndon** stated the Town is looking gorgeous, with everything in bloom.

**Vice Mayor Smith** reported that the DEP will conduct a Public Hearing on April 19, 2013, on their revisions to rule 62B-36, which contains the provisions for qualifying for the full State share of the costs of beach renourishment. He pointed out that the rule being presented on 4/19/2013 still contains the provisions for credit for bike racks and bus stops. However, the credit for parking places has been reduced from 52.8 feet to 50 feet, which would change DEP's standard of 100 parking places per mile to 105.6 parking places per mile. **Vice Mayor Smith** said DEP has gotten a lot of feedback about the change and he anticipates DEP will return to the 52.8 standard.

**Vice Mayor Smith** stated there appears to be a comparatively good chance for beach nourishment funding.

**Mayor Lawrence** reported the St. Pat's Festival was fun, with a large crowd and was very successful and there should be a good profit. He advised he had sent all a memo on holding a meeting to review and had requested feedback from everyone in planning for next year's event.

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*Mayor Lawrence advised everyone could look in the Community Room to see Larry's plaque displayed on the wall.*

*Mayor Lawrence congratulated Attorney Yacavone on his retirement, stated he was glad to have Councilor Irelan back, and advised Bonnie was back and in good spirits and encouraged all to stop in and see her.*

***INDIAN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING adjourned at 7:00 P.M.***

*Marcia Grantham*  
**MARCIA GRANTHAM, CMC**  
***Town Clerk***