

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES - MAY 8, 2012

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

Also Present: Attorney Daigneault: Chief Williams, Town Administrator; Marcia Grantham, Town Clerk; Mary Karayianes, Director of Finance.

1.0 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

1.1 Consideration of approving Council Agenda for May 8, 2012.

MOTION by Councilor Smith -- seconded by Councilor Sutch to approve Council Agenda for May 8, 2012, as published. Motion carried 5-0.

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

A. <u>MINUTES:</u>	Council	-	4/10/12
	Workshop	-	5/1/12
	Public Ser.	-	5/1/12

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

B. RE-OCCURRING EXPENSES: (Resolution 7-2008)

From 4/3/2012 thru 4/24/2012.

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

1.3 APPROVAL of Committee expenditures: NONE

1.4 CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

1.5 Town Attorney's Report. NONE

1.6 Consideration of approving annual Maintenance Agreement with Coastal Service and Supply, covering the large generator upstairs in the Municipal Center, and the old one being refurbished to hook up to the Public Services Building.

1.7 Chief Williams reported with the complexity of the system that on-going maintenance is needed, noting this Agreement will become effective 9/17/2012 up to 9/17/2013.

MOTION by Vice Mayor Herndon -- seconded by Councilor Sutch -- to approve annual Maintenance Agreement with Coastal Service and Supply, covering the large generator upstairs in the Municipal Center. Motion carried 5-0.

1.8 Consideration of approving annual Maintenance Agreement with Otis Elevator Company, covering the three (3) elevators in the Municipal Center.

Chief Williams reported the Town has received better service from Otis than the original provider, and the monthly cost is \$480.00.

MOTION by Councilor Irelan -- seconded by Councilor Smith -- to approve annual Maintenance Agreement with Otis Elevator Company, covering the two (2) elevators in the Municipal Center. Motion carried 5-0.

1.9 Consideration of approving final invoices from EMA Engineering, covering the following amounts: \$1,189.75 (legal) and \$3,225.00 (extra work), totaling \$4,414.00.

Chief Williams briefly reviewed the background relating to construction of the Municipal Center, and reported that Mohammed had claimed a lot of extra work related to shop drawings i.e., rebars, roof trusses, lentils, noting the Town had hired Mohammed as structural engineer.

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Chief Williams further reported that ARC3 had involved Joe Fullone, Engineer, to resolve conflict, advising the Town paid Joe Fullone 50% of his discounted bill. Chief Williams stated he had negotiated the \$6,450.00 with Mohammed and Larry Nayman, Building Official agrees with the negotiated amount of payment as proposed.

MOTION by Councilor Irelan-- seconded by Councilor Sutch -- to approve payment of final invoices from EMA Engineering, totaling \$4,414.00. Motion carried 5-0.

1.10 Consideration of approving the Indian Shores Library Annual Report for FY 2010-2011.

Mayor Lawrence reviewed the Indian Shores Library Annual Report for FY 2010-2011, which was an excellent report, and everyone acknowledged this would not be possible without all the great work performed by the volunteers who work in the library.

Mayor Lawrence reported if residents have the desire or need to join the County co-operative library system at a cost of \$100.00, they can bring in their receipt and the Town will reimburse them \$75.00.

MOTION by Councilor Irelan-- seconded by Councilor Smith -- to approve the Town's Annual Library Report for FY 2010-2011, as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

1.11 Consideration of approving Financial Statement for the period ending April 30, 2012.

Mary Karayianes, Director of Finance, reported General Fund revenue of \$1,747,412.00, with \$1,053,000.00 being tax revenue which equals 93.7% of budgeted tax revenue.

The Director of Finance further reported the General Fund is in a good position with revenues over expenditures of \$516,000.00, with Road and Bridge in deficit due to the fact it takes about three months to collect funds on the revenue side, and further noted breaking out debt payments and capital projects in CIP and the restricted fund accounts.

MOTION by Councilor Sutch -- seconded by Vice Mayor Herndon -- to accept Financial Statement for the period ending April 30, 2012, and hold for audit. Motion carried 5-0.

1.12 Town Administrator's Report.

Chief Williams reported on the following items: 1) Community Garden nearing completion, noting they are awaiting plants and fencing, noting he sees a lot of people going by to look at the progress, and stated earth boxes are available for purchase; 2) Accident at North end of Town which took out 50' of guardrail, plus signs and mailboxes on other side of road, advising he has spoken with DOT and they will not replace with the same but with aluminum railing, noting about 37' can be put back in place and he will try and paint brown to see how it looks, and if not acceptable the Mayor stated he would contact Mr. Skelton at DOT. 3) Advised he was anticipating getting the additional parking spaces resolved next week at the Workshop, as he will be leaving for a three week vacation on 5/21/2012.

****** *Larry Shear, Fire Board Commissioner, reported last week the Board received two applications for the vacant position and will be evaluating those applicants next week.*

Mayor Lawrence reported the Town had previously committed to raising \$2,500.00 for the Department's 911 Memorial fund, with the stipulation the funds would not come from taxes. Mayor Lawrence further reported the Town held various fund raisers, i.e. Pancake Breakfast, St. Pat's Fest, and also donations from the Town's Library, Property Owner's Association, and sales from Library books together with individual contributions. Mayor Lawrence noted he wrote a check from funds remaining in his campaign account for \$179.00.

Mayor Lawrence stated the Town had reached its goal, and he would be presenting a check to the Pinellas Suncoast Fire and Rescue Department at their meeting on 5/15/2012 at 7 P.M.

Mayor Lawrence reported that on 5/11/2012 he would be meeting with Chief Polk, Commissioner Shear and Mayor Adams to hear a presentation on how they can do a better job of providing service.

1.13 Citizens' Comments on any subject.

(1) Anne Miller, resident, announced the Property Owner's Association would be holding Happy Hour tomorrow at Mickey Quinn's Restaurant.

(2) **Steve Murphy and Mike Gleeson, residents, Palm Beach Condos, 19817 Gulf Boulevard**, expressed concerns with the fence erected on property across from the Food Mart, stating it was unsightly and questioned if a permit was required to put up the fence.

Mayor Lawrence stated a permit was necessary and he would discuss this matter with the Building Official and let it be handled through the Code Enforcement process.

Mr. Murphy and Mr. Gleeson both stated they would like to see more events in town, such as the St. Pat's Fest, advising they would be happy to participate, and questioned if there was a possibility there could be something more for children.

Mayor Lawrence stated that recently more children had been noticed and they were trying to get a handle on about how many were in Indian Shores, noting he had received some e-mails from other parents, and the Council would be discussing the possibility of an advisory committee to address this matter.

1.14 Mayor's and Council Members comments on any subject.

Councilor Irelan reported the Women's Club would be holding a dinner meeting on Thursday at Salt Rock Grille and another Read and Feed will be scheduled sometime in the summer featuring the book "The Great Gatsby".

Councilor Sutch reported speaking with Ian Boyle at Waste Services who advised that all went well on clean-up day for large items to be discarded at curbside, noting it was a success. **Councilor Sutch** also reported that Tiki Park continues to look good and announced this Saturday is the food drive for the postal service. **Councilor Sutch** stated he would be out of town over Memorial Day for an out of town wedding.

Councilor Smith reported Indian Shores and Belleair Beach has been identified by the County as two towns not receiving full credit for beach nourishment, as the County had to apply uniform standard requirements.

Councilor Smith further reported working last week to get further credit for Sand Castle Condo, as he feels the Town deserves 100% credit and that would reduce the gap to less than 400 ft., which equates to eight (8) parking spaces. **Councilor Smith** also reported the Town has been discussing for months a plan to build additional spaces at 198th & 199th Avenues W.

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Councilor Smith stated there was a Workshop meeting last week and Matt Towson, President of the Condo Association came up with plan to work out a 2 year lease on a vacant lot at the NE corner of 198th Avenue W. to park 3 – 4 cars as an alternative. He noted that Attorney Yacavone will prepare a draft lease agreement and move forward from this point.

Councilor Smith advised there has been no feedback regarding 199th Avenue, where 2 spaces are planned on the West side and 3 spaces on the East side, which is the next step. He stated there was a meeting with Representative Frishe regarding 198th Avenue W. with the homeowners association, noting they had proposed the plan for the vacant lot and came down and worked it out with the Building Official.

Councilor Smith reported at the FSBA Board of Directors meeting and work session there was discussion regarding changes to the Administrative Code on this revised rule, as another phase of eligibility as based narrowly on automobiles, with no credit from trolleys and hopes to get some changes in the future.

Matt Towson concurred with **Councilor Smith** and stated without the East side resorts the bed tax would plummet.

Mayor Lawrence stated that Representative Frishe and Representative Ahern from St. Petersburg called advising they understand the problems and said they would try and help us.

Vice Mayor Herndon reported she met with **Councilor Irelan** for a preliminary meeting to begin organizing the upcoming Memorial Day picnic, noting they would be doing an inventory next week on tablecloths, utensils, etc. **Mayor Lawrence** advised there were some beverages in the upstairs refrigerator.

Mayor Lawrence reported today he was at Tampa airport representing the Tourist Development Council at a travel rally to kickoff National Tourism Week, noting he had received a nice thank you note from them, and also from the Gulf Beaches Chamber for the recent Lunch and Learn event they had held in the Municipal Center.

Mayor Lawrence also reported that next week on 5/15/12 the Town would hold a Workshop meeting on the preliminary Budget for FY 2012/13, and will also discuss recreation programs and rental policy of the Municipal Building.

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Mayor Lawrence reported that today the Board of County Commissioners had a meeting and Commissioner Seel raised the issue of the proposed Interlocal Agreement, noting it was very positive for Indian Shores and Belleair Beach, and brought up prior concern of unfunded mandates on the County and stated it sounds like the County is forcing mandates on the cities.

Mayor Lawrence stated he spoke on the history of the Town's beach nourishment and got the message across, which will help the Town.

INDIAN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

***MARCIA GRANTHAM, CMC
Town Clerk***