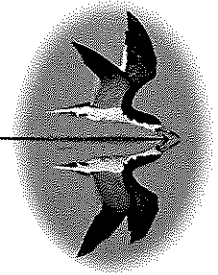


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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES - JULY 29, 2014

The Indian Shores Special Council meeting convened at 6:00 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Lawrence, Vice Mayor Herndon, Councilor Smith and Councilor Soranno.

Absent: Councilor Petruccelli

Also Present: Chief Hughes; Town Clerk, Elaine Jackson; Interim Director of Finance and Personnel, Mary Karayianes; Director of Administration, Bonnie Dhonau; Town Attorney, Robert Metz; Anne Miller and Charlie Parrott.

1.0 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

1.0 Consideration of approving Council Agenda for July 29, 2014.

Motion by Councilor Smith – seconded by Vice Mayor Herndon, to approve the Council Agenda for July 29, 2014. Motion carried 4-0.

2.0 Comments from the public on any Agenda item.

There were no comments.

3.0 Consideration of determining the figures to provide the Pinellas County Property Appraiser proposed aggregate millage rate and rolled-back rate for adoption of the tentative Budget and a final Budget, and the date, time and place of the two (2) required public hearings to be held on Wednesdays, September 10, 2014 and September 17, 2014, at which the budget and millage rate for FY 2014/2015 will be established and adopted.

Interim Director of Finance and Personnel, Mary Karayianes, provided Council with the two forms for their review – the DR-420 and the DR-420MM-P that must be provided to the Property Appraiser by the deadline of August 1, 2014, and explained how the numbers are calculated.

James J. Lawrence
Mayor

Joan G. Herndon-Parrott
Vice Mayor

William F. Smith
Councilor

Patrick C. Soranno
Councilor

Michael "Mike" Petruccelli
Councilor

Bonnie Dhonau
Director of
Administration

Terry E. Hughes
Chief of Police

Lisa G. Robinson
Director of Finance
and Personnel

Elaine N. Jackson, MMC
Town Clerk

Robert J. Metz, Jr.
Town Attorney

Steve Andrews
Building Official

Motion by Councilor Smith – seconded by Vice Mayor Herndon, to approve the figures to provide the Pinellas County Property Appraiser relative to the proposed aggregate millage rate and rolled-back rate for adoption of the tentative Budget and a final Budget, and the date, time and place of the two (2) required public hearings to be held on Wednesdays, September 10, 2014 and September 17, 2014, at which the budget and millage rate for FY 2014/2015 will be established and adopted. Motion carried 4-0.

4.0 PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 6-2014: Resolution of the Town of Indian Shores, Florida, entering into a cooperation agreement with Pinellas County, Florida, for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Years 2015, 2016, and 2017.

Note: Council addressed Item 5.0 prior to addressing 4.0.

Attorney Metz read Resolution 6-2014 by title only.

Attorney Metz stated the agreement was the same as the last one; however, in reviewing Section 8, it was discovered there is reference to a policy regarding use of excessive force and barring entrances to nonviolent protestors. Currently, the Town has no official policy regarding this requirement, although it does follow State guidelines; thus Resolution 7-2014 (below) was created.

Motion by Councilor Soranno – seconded by Vice Mayor Herndon, to approve Resolution 6-2014 of the Town of Indian Shores, Florida, entering into a cooperation agreement with Pinellas County, Florida, for the Community Development Block Grant Program for Fiscal Years 2015, 2016, and 2017. Motion carried 4-0.

5.0 PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 7 -2014: A Resolution of the Town of Indian Shores, Florida, adopting a policy prohibiting the use of force by Law Enforcement Agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations, adopting a policy of enforcing State and Local laws against physically barring entrance or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction, and providing for an effective date.

Attorney Metz read Resolution 7-2014 by title only.

Attorney Metz stated the Town has been in agreement with the CDBG for many years, and since the CDBG deals with funding for housing and urban development, it wants to make certain we protect our citizens from certain situations. This Resolution will establish the policy prohibiting excessive force and barring entrance or exits of demonstrators.

Motion by Councilor Smith – seconded by Councilor Soranno, to approve Resolution 7-2014, adopting a policy prohibiting the use of force by Law Enforcement Agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in nonviolent civil rights demonstrations, adopting a policy of enforcing State and Local laws against physically barring entrance or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction. Motion carried 4-0.

6.0 Consideration of approving health insurance coverage for Town employees for FY 2014/2015.

Ms. Karayianes stated it is necessary to revise her memo on page 14, last sentence in the last paragraph to read as follows: “In addition, staff is recommending that the Town pay 100% of the premium for employee only, except for the buy-up plan (HMO 5) where the employee is responsible for the additional costs. The employee is responsible for paying the costs for any dependents.”

Ms. Karayianes also submitted revised page 15 showing health insurance benefits and costs, effective October 1, 2014.

Motion by Councilor Smith – seconded by Councilor Soranno, to approve the health insurance coverage for Town employees for FY 2014/2015, and revision of language relative to premium payment. Motion carried 4-0.

7.0 Consideration of moving Town’s life insurance, long term disability and dental insurance coverage to Standard Insurance Company for FY 2014/2015.

Ms. Karayianes stated there will be no changes in coverage, but there will be a savings for the Town to transfer all three insurances to the same company.

Motion by Councilor Smith – seconded by Vice Mayor Herndon, to approve moving Town’s life insurance, long term disability and dental insurance coverage to Standard Insurance Company for FY 2014/2015. Motion carried 4-0.

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8.0 *Comments from the public on any subject.*

There were no comments.

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

Councillor Smith announced the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association Conference will be in Bonita Beach, September 24 – 26, 2014.

Councillor Smith reported effective October 1, 2014, FEMA will be refunding some flood insurance fees as reconciliatory to grand-fathered rates; however, there will still be increasing in the coming years.


Councillor Soranno reported the Coastal Cleanup will take place October 18, 2014, in conjunction with the Keep Pinellas Beautiful event.

Vice Mayor Herndon stated she was happy we will have a wonderful early evening.

Mayor Lawrence read a letter from Neighborly Care Network thanking the Town for the \$600 donation.

Attorney Metz reported the agreement with the Chamber of Commerce is near completion and he will be sending it to the Town Clerk for placement on the next agenda.

The Indian Shores Special Town Council Meeting adjourned at 6:27 P.M.



ELAINE JACKSON, MMC
Town Clerk