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March 31, 2010

Minutes

Present: Belleair Shore No Representative

Indian Rocks Beach Commissioner Terry Hamilton Wollin

Indian Shores Council member Bill Smith

Madeira Beach
North Redington Beach
Redington Beach
St. Pete Beach
Mayor Shontz
Mayor Bill Queen
Mayor Nick Simons
Mayor Mike Finnerty

Belleair Beach Commissioner Kathy Mortensen

Treasure Island Mayor Bob Minning
Redington Shores Vice Mayor John Branch

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Guest Speakers: P. C. Property Appraiser Pam Dubov

Andy Squires

Guest Present: Dave Drillick Redington Beach

Carole Irelan Councilor Indian Shores

David Will Commissioner, Redington Beach W. D. Higginbotham, Jr. City Manager, Madeira Beach Vice Mayor, Indian Shores

Art Newsome Indian Shores Property Owner's

Jody Armstrong Redington Shores

Trish Muscarella Clearwater St. Pete Beach

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Sandy Sanders Indian Rocks Beach

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Kathleen Peters Mayor South Pasadena

Jerry Knight Vice Mayor, North Redington Beach Chuck Coward City Manager, Indian Rocks Beach

Doreen Moore TDC & TBBCOC

Nancy Gonzalez Administrator, Belleair Beach Mike Bonfield City Manager, St. Pete Beach

Big C Vice President Nick Simons called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. at Redington Beach Town Hall, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Mayor Simons asked for a motion to approve the agenda with an addition, under Old Business, "2010 Audit Report". Motion by Mayor Bob Minning to approve the March 31, 2010, Agenda as amended. The motion was duly seconded by seconded by Commissioner Kathy Mortensen and carried unanimously.

Minutes Approval February 24. 2010

Councilor Bill Smith moved to approve the minutes of February 24, 2010, meeting as submitted in written summation to each member. The motion was duly seconded by Mayor Schontz and carried unanimously.

Approval of Treasurer's Report March 2009

Mayor Bill Queen made a motion to approve the treasurer's report for February 2010. The motion was duly seconded by Mayor Bob Minning and carried unanimously.

Correspondence

None

New Business – Pinellas County Property Appraiser, Pam Dubov

Vice President Simons welcomed Pam Dubov, Pinellas County Property Appraiser. Ms. Dubov presented preliminary estimates to the beach communities in regards to the values and indicated that the values are going down. The beach communities can expect anywhere from 5% to 11 ½% decrease in taxable value. She presented maps of the declining market value throughout Pinellas County. Ms. Dubov also asked of each community to inform her office if there is any evidence of construction on homes without a permit. Her office staff is only required to physically inspect a property every five years. The office is using aerial photography and oblique imagery to look for improved properties. Statistical information was given in relation to the increase in the number of properties and the decrease in the amount of staff. Mayor Simons thanked Ms. Dubov for her presentation and insight.

New Business – Nominating Committee Report

Mayor Queen indicated that the committee is recommending Mayor Bob Minning to act as Secretary/Treasurer and with Nick Simons becoming President and George Cretekos as Vice President. Commissioner Kathy Mortensen made a motion to accept the recommendation by the committee. The motion was seconded by Councilor Bill Smith and carried unanimously.

Discussion on the changes to the by-laws were discussed. There was a deletion in relation to cell phones and another important item was Article X. Amendment concerning the Super Majority in passing a resolution. A motion by Councilor Bill Smith to pass the By-Laws as presented, seconded by Mayor Bob Minning and carried unanimously.

Discussion and questions were made on the draft of the St. Pete Beach PFP Interlocal Agreement. Questions and concerns should be directed to Mayor Simons as this is only in the preliminary stages.

Old Business

Off Shore Drilling Update: Councilor Bill Smith updated the council on the off shore drilling debate. He indicated that everything is quiet right now, however it could change. Mayor Kathleen Peters, South Pasadena, indicated that she received an e-mail the prior evening from a legislator that the Off Shore Drilling proposal is "dead" in the senate.

Tampa Bay Rays Day Update

Mayor Simons indicated that the date has been set for June 27th at 1:40 pm against the Arizona Diamondbacks. The price for the tickets are \$35.00 which includes a 2010 Rays baseball cap. The face value of the tickets are \$48.00. Tickets will be available at the Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce, as well as at Indian Rocks Beach, and ticket master. More information will follow in the upcoming months.

2010 Audit Report

Mayor Pat Schontz and Councilor Bill Smith met prior to the meeting to review the treasurer's report. The figures were all in order and thanked Vice Mayor Cretekos for the excellent job he had done for the Big C as treasurer. A motion was made by Mayor Queen to accept the 2010 Audit. The motion was duly seconded by Commissioner Kathy Mortensen and carried unanimously.

Andy Squires of the Pinellas County Department of Environmental Management presented an update on the beach re-nourishment project. He stated that the Treasure Island Sunset Beach permits have been issued and expect a start up date of June. There will be a website link for the status of the project which will be updated weekly. A completion date is estimated to be in September, weather permitting.

Sand Key permits have not been issued, but are in the finalization of the application process with DEP. It may be 2 months before a permit would be issued. The estimated start date on this project would be December of 2010 or January 2011. He stated the county is still looking for staging areas. He again requested that if any municipalities have an area available, to please let him know.

Mr. Squires also stated that the sea oats orders will be sent out to the beach communities in late May and that plantings should not begin until July, once the rainy season is established.

Miscellaneous

Brian Smith from Pinellas County Planning Department spoke on the Gulf Beautification project spreadsheet. He indicated that the County Commission CIP workshop meeting will be held on May 25th at 6:30 pm. Mayor Simons encouraged everyone to attend to represent their communities and to lobby the county commission for the funds.

Next meeting date will be April 28, 2010, at Madeira Beach

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:17 a.m.

President Barrier Islands Governmental Council