

**BARRIER ISLANDS GOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL
MEETINGMINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2006, 9:00 A.M.**

The meeting of the Barrier Islands Governmental Council, held at the Town of Redington Shores, 17425 Gulf Boulevard, Redington Shores, Florida, was called to order by Mayor John Robertson at 9:00 A. M.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: (Voting – V; Alternate – A)

Belleair Beach	Mayor Rudy Davis (V)
Belleair Shore	Mayor John Robertson (V)
Clearwater	Council Member Hoyt Hamilton
Indian Shores	Councilor, Bill Smith (V1)
North Redington Beach	Mayor Bill Queen (V)
St Pete Beach	Commissioner Deborah Nicklaus (V)
Treasure Island	Commissioner Richard Kraus (A1)
Redington Beach	Mayor Linda Wilson (V)
Madeira Beach	Commissioner John Wolbert (V)
Indian Rocks	Mayor William A. Ockunzzi (V)

GUESTS

Vince Robertiello	Indian Shores
Susan Guise	League of Women Voters
Leslie Peck-Epstein	Redington Beach
Pete Yauch	Pinellas Co. Public Works
Linda Fisher	Pinellas Planning Council
Ralph Stone	City of Treasure Island
Nancy Loehr	Progress Energy
Glenn Beazy	Pinellas Co. Planning Council
Nicole Elko	Pinellas County
Ed Gayton	Commissioner, Treasure Island
Charles Parker	Mayor, Madeira Beach
Neil Brickfield	S.U.C.A.
Rand Baldwin	Government Affairs, SWFWMD
Mary Burrell	Editor, Tampa Bay Newspapers
Marlene Clausen	President, Indian Shores Women's Club
Nick Fritsch	Sand Key Civic Association
Joan Herndon	Vice Mayor, Indian Shores
Phyllis Johnson	Reporter, Sand Key Sun
Jim Lawrence	Councilor, Indian Shores
Missy Pike	President, Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce
Mary Maloof	Mayor, Treasure Island

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Robertson asked to modify the agenda by adding nominations for an Audit Committee. Motion mad and seconded to approve the Agenda as amended. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of November 30, 2005. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF TREASURERS REPORT

Mayor Linda Wilson presented the Treasurer's Report for December 2005 and January 2006, with a balance on hand for December 2005 of \$1,878.15 and for January 2006 of \$2,052.15.

Motion made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's Reports as presented. Unanimous approval by acclamation.

Mayor Wilson reported that the service charges for the past months totaling \$234.00 were subtracted from the account, but then another \$30.00 added back in. The bank has again assured Mayor Wilson this charge will be removed and no service charges will be charged.

Mayor Wilson will have available at the next meeting the year-end financial report.

Mayor Wilson spoke to the Committee in regard to removing both Mayor Kelley and Mayor Fountain's name from the signature cards, and her being the only signer on the account. Mayor Robertson will talk with Mayor Taber about this matter.

Mayor Robertson reported that the two members for the Audit Committee are Councilor, Bill Smith and Mayor Rudy Davis. They will meet with Mayor Wilson after the year-end report is completed.

OLD BUSINESS

Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding and Beautification

Mayor Robertson announced a meeting of the Pinellas County Board of Commissioners would be held on February 14, 2006; the resolutions that each city/town are passing for the Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding will be presented at this meeting. Mayor Robertson asked that all resolutions be sent to Mayor Taber. Any city/town who will not be meeting before February 14th can submit a letter of support stating a resolution will be following. Pete Yauch from Pinellas County Transportation addressed the members letting them know that at the meeting on February 14, 2006 the County Commission will review the cost updates on the project, and financial analysis using the TIF type approach or the Penny Extension.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Formation of Nominating Committee for election of officers in April 2006

Mayor Robertson stated that under the by-laws the President submits three names for the committee, which Mayor Taber has submitted the names of Mayor Bill Queen, Commissioner Hoyt Hamilton, and Mayor John Robertson.

2. Guest Speaker: Dale Oliver, Vice President, Progress Energy

Nancy Loher told the committee Dale Oliver is not feeling well and was not able to attend the meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Legislative Update

Mayor Ockunzzi spoke to the board about the homesteading cap and legislation that is being discussed. The board discussed the increase in taxes and the need to stay aware of these issues. The board asked to place tax issue items on the next agenda.

Mayor Wilson reported a meeting would be held on February 2 and 3rd at the Harbor View Center in Clearwater hosted by Citizen Property Insurance and public participation is encouraged.

2. Beach Update by Nicole Elko, Coastal Coordinator - Pinellas County

Nicole Elko reported the north segment is just about finished, the pipe will be flipped and the project will head south towards Belleair Beach. Another dredge has been brought in that will enhance the performance of the project by 60 – 70%. The project is still slated to finish June 2006.

Mayor Robertson asked for comments on the new letterhead. Consensus was to change the palm trees to the fish, use white paper and leave everything else the same. The logo can be scanned onto computers and therefore no printing will be needed.

Rand Baldwin of SWFWMD reported the governing board approved the agreement with Tampa Bay Water on the desalination plant.

Mayor Robertson reminded everyone of the February 14th task force meeting. The meeting starts at 9:30. Mayor Robertson encouraged all to attend.

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor John Robertson