

**BARRIER ISLANDS GOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 24, 2003**

PRESIDENT: Mayor J. J. Beyrouti, Town of Redington Shores
VICE-PRESIDENT: Mayor Mike Kelly, City of Belleair Beach
SECRETARY-TREASURER: Mayor Tom DeCesare, City of Madeira Beach

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Barrier Islands Governmental Council, held at the Belleair Beach City Hall, 444 Causeway Boulevard, Belleair Beach, Florida, was called to order by Vice President Mike Kelly at 9:05 a.m.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: (Voting = V; Alternate 1 = A1; and Alternate 2 = A2)

Belleair Beach	Mayor Mike Kelly (V)
Belleair Shore	Mayor John Robertson (V)
Indian Rocks Beach	Commissioner Bill Ockunzzi (A1)
Indian Shores	Mayor Don Taber (V)
Madeira Beach	Mayor Tom De Cesare (V)
North Redington Beach	Mayor Harold Radcliffe (V)
Redington Beach	Mayor Bob Fontaine (V)
Redington Shores	Marshall Reynolds (A2)
St. Pete Beach	Commissioner Peter J. Blank (V)
Treasure Island	Mayor Mary Maloof (V)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Maurene Byrne Ahern	St. Petersburg Times
Wayne Ayers	Tampa Bay Newspapers
Nancy Ayers	Tampa Bay Newspapers
Barbara Blush	Vice Mayor, Treasure Island
Joe Burdette	Consus Group, Belleair
Marlene Clausen	Treasurer ISPOA Indian Shores
Jim Coats	Chief Deputy Pinellas County Sheriff Office
Dan Coleman	Candidate, House Dist 54, Belleair
Linda Fisher	Program Planner, Pinellas Planning Council
Rob Fischer	Pinellas Co. Construction Licensing Board
Nick Fritsch	Sand Key Civic Association
Hoyt Hamilton	Commissioner, City of Clearwater
Joan Herndon	Councilor, Town of Indian Shores

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Dennis Jones	Senator
Jo Anne Kavanagh	Sand Key Ultimar III
Richard Keans	Commissioner, Treasurer Island
John Lahey	Chief, Pinellas Suncoast Fire & Rescue
Doreen Moore	Commissioner, Madeira Beach
Mike Nadeau	Building Official Redington Shores
Bob Pack	Sand Key
Jim Palamara	Commissioner, Indian Rocks Beach

Vince Robertiello
Karen Seel
Steve Schwalb
Bill Smith
Brian Smith
Gene Smith

Don Sullivan
Steve Sutch
Bob Griffin
Keith Wicks
Amy Wimmer

The Reporter, Treasure Island
Commissioner, Pinellas County
CEO, Digital Eel, Inc.
Councilor, Town of Indian Shores
Director, Pinellas Planning Council
Chair, Issues Committee,
Pinellas Democratic Party
St. Petersburg College
President, ISPOA India Shores
Griffin Productions
Public Works Dir. Pinellas County
St. Petersburg Times

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report for August and September 2003 was presented by Mayor De Cesare and the balance on hand as of September 8, 2003 was \$2,617.98

A motion was made by Mayor Taber, seconded by Commissioner Palamara, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mayor Radcliffe, seconded by Mayor Taber, to approve the Minutes of the meeting of July 30, 2003. The motion was unanimously approved by voice vote.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Vice President Kelly introduced the Guest Speaker, Senator Dennis Jones, who gave a brief presentation on the last legislative session.

Senator Jones reported that the last legislative session lasted seven months; that it was a difficult session in that the proposed budget was two million dollars in the red; that they

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were not to consider new revenues and they had to fund voter mandates. Senator Jones further stated that the Governor had stripped out half of the funds for the Beaches and shores, reducing it to fifteen million dollars; that once it is taken out it is difficult to get back; that they had fought and got it back up to over \$27 million. Senator Jones urged the Big C to fight to keep the entire \$30 million whole and to stay away from the doc stamps.

Senator Jones reported that SB 2688, Coastal Redevelopment and Hazard Demonstration Project had not passed but that they would submit it again next year.

Senator Jones suggested that the Big C consider a Resolution that would give Purple Heart Recipients free parking

Senator Jones answered questions from the audience.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE CHANGE

Commissioner Peter Blank reported that St. Pete Beach had passed ordinance on first reading to change the sales of alcohol to 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and that the second reading would be on October 7.

Commissioner Karen Seel stated that Pinellas County would consider ordinance changing the hours for sale of alcoholic beverages on first reading on October 7 but that they had not set the hours as of this date. Commissioner Seel urged all of the Mayors of Pinellas County to advise the county as to preferred hours so they could establish hours for their ordinance.

Commissioner Hamilton stated that Clearwater was waiting to see what the County was going to do before taking action but that they would not be able to wait too long.

B. WEB PAGE PRESENTATION

Steve Schwalb distributed three proposals for the layout of the web page and requested that each Mayor review them and e-mail their choice to him by Friday.

Mr. Schwalb stated that they had already assembled a lot of data for the web page and requested that each municipality supply the following information:(1) A brief 305 sentence introduction for each Mayor. this may include such information as term of office, education, career information, military service, political experience, a brief comment regarding your town, etc. (2) Any major events in your city through 12/31/03 that they would like to have added to the calendar. This information to include event name, times, location and a

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sentence or two describing the event. (3) Big C information: full text of any Resolutions passed during 2003; the Minutes of all 2003 meetings; a list of the officers and Executive Board Members; and the membership of the Nominating Committee, Audit committee, and any Special Committees.

C. APPOINTMENT TO PCCLB

Mary Palmer stated that they had assembled ballots for the appointment to the PCCLB; that the candidates were Mike Nadeo, Redington Shores, Larry Nayman, Indian Shores and Steve Andrews Indian Rocks Beach; Mary stated that the vote was 8 for Mike Nadeo and 2 for Larry Nayman.

Commissioner Palamara moved appointment of Mike Nadeo to the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board. Motion seconded by Mayor Radcliff and unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Kelly stated that Indian Shores had passed resolution supporting the Pinellas Planning Council proposal to prepare a joint evaluation and appraisal report for all the municipalities that are members of the Barrier Islands Governmental Council; by expressing the Town of Indian Shores' intent to participate. It was noted that the Cities of Redington Shores and Redington Beach had passed like resolutions.

A. BEACHES AND SHORES REPORT

Senator Jones urged the cities to adopt the uniform resolutions requesting that the \$30 million be kept whole so that there would not be an interruption of the programs that worked very effectively; and that cities meet with senate members before the legislative meetings in this regard. Senator Jones again urged the cities to fight to leave he dedicated doc stamps alone.

It was noted that the City of Treasure Island had passed the Resolution last night.

B. MILE MARKER SIGNS - COMMISSIONER SEEL

Commissioner Seel presented a model of the proposed Mile Marker Signs, stating that the cost for the signs would be approximately \$12,000; that the funding would come from the \$75,000 left from the Gulf Boulevard

study from the federal government; that Pinellas County would coordinate with the cities for the installation; and that the signs could be installed in about three months.

Commissioner Hamilton inquired if the signs could be made with two faces since the signs
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would be placed on only one side of the road. Commissioner Seel stated that she felt that they could be made with two sides and that the cost could probably come from the Gulf Boulevard funds.

Mayor Radcliff moved that the Big C endorse the Mile Marker Plan as proposed by Commissioner Seel. Motion seconded by Mayor Taber and unanimously carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Commissioner Doreen Moore, gave an update on the Chamber of Commerce, stating that the changes in the Chamber were geared to business as usual, that the arrangement with the St. Petersburg Chamber was not a merger but an alliance; that they felt that they could help all business and municipalities to work better and stronger.

Commissioner Seel stated that Pinellas County would be having meetings to give and receive information relating to the gasoline tax; that they would be asking for municipalities to give list of projects for the gas tax; that one part would include the Gulf Boulevard project. The meeting dates are October 2, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at Largo High School and October 9, 2003 at 6:30 at Boca Ciega High School.

Mayor Roberts expressed appreciation to Nancy McCollum, Mary Lorain Blankenship for their assistance in preparation for this meeting.

Mayor Maloof distributed packets to the Mayors to assist in raising funds for J.J. Beyrouti's campaign for County Commission.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned in due form at 10:07 a.m.

Mayor Mike Kelly, City of Belleair Beach