

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
February 6, 2007  
6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Maloof at 6:00 p.m.

**A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Maloof

**B. ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Mary Maloof		Present
Commissioner Phil Collins	District 1	Present
Commissioner Ed Gayton - Vice Mayor	District 2	Present
Commissioner Richard Kraus	District 3	Present
Commissioner Alan Bildz	District 4	Present

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Dominique Reiter gave a reminder about the Isle of Capri garage sale to be held on Saturday morning.

Bob Minning, representing the Beach Stewardship Committee, thanked all the volunteers that helped plant the plants on Sunshine Beach.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of January 16th meeting and workshop are available for approval. It was moved by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the minutes as corrected. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

**E. ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

Because of time constraints it is necessary to add item number 8 to the meeting agenda. It was moved by Commissioner Gayton and seconded by Commissioner Kraus to add Item number 8, Erosion Control Line to the meeting agenda, waiving the workshop requirement. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

1. Presentation – County Commissioner Robert Stewart – Penny For Pinellas

County Commissioner Stewart made a presentation on the Penny for Pinellas referendum item that will appear on the ballot in March. He gave a brief history of how the Penny for Pinellas project began, and what it has been used for. They will be asking for another ten year renewal of the Penny for Pinellas one cent sales tax. This renewal will take effect in 2010, and be in effect until 2020. Some Treasure Island projects that were funded by this project are the Treasure Bay Golf and Tennis upgrading of the tennis courts and lighting, landscaping, and parking facilities; Sunset Beach Pavilion – land purchase and building construction, Treasure Island Community Center, Treasure Island City Marina – construction and renovation, and downtown Treasure Island design and construction of the Clock Tower. There is a website that shows all past and present Penny projects: <http://www.pinellascounty.org/penny> . This is not a new tax, but a renewal of an existing

program. One third of the Penny funds come from the tourists, but 100% of the benefit stays here in the County. It funds city projects, and does not rely on property taxes. Penny funds can only be spent on “bricks and mortar” projects, and is restricted from funding maintenance and salary items. Commissioner Stewart stated that the public needs to continue to be educated until the election in March.

Commissioner Bildz asked for clarification on some of the rules and restrictions of the Penny. Commissioner Stewart stated that it was one cent sales tax, with a cap of a maximum of \$5,000, and food and beverages and medicines are excluded. Commissioner Kraus stated that he felt it was a good program and hoped that the voters would support it. He commented that there was only one promised project that was specific the barrier islands. He asked about the Gulf Boulevard Undergrounding project and whether Penny funds would be allocated to it. Mr. Stewart stated that each municipality would identify its own funding source, and the County might not use Penny money to fund their portion. Commissioner Kraus asked about the boating improvement allocations and how much money might be allocated to it. He also asked if the proposed City Marina would be a project that would qualify for these funds. Commissioner Stewart answered that he did not have all the details but would get that information to the City Commission.

2. Motion – Donation From Sunshine Beach Homeowners’ Association

It was moved by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to accept the donation. Upon roll call the vote to accept was unanimous.

3. Res. – Voters Watch Debate

It was moved by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Bildz to approve the resolution. Commissioner Bildz asked how long they would be utilizing the City Auditorium. Mr. McConnell stated that the debate would be held from approximately 7:00 pm until 8:15 pm. They will set up at around 3:00 pm, and the candidates will be given the opportunity to approve the set up. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

4. Res. – Automated Curbside Pick Up Implementation Program

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution. Commissioner Kraus asked how the change to the automated system would mesh with the schedule for the old trucks. Hal Bruce explained which trucks would be replaced and when. Commissioner Bildz asked when Sunset would convert. Mr. Bruce stated that it would be next year. Commissioner Gayton commented that this item was already approved in the budget. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

5. Res. – Pickup Truck Replacements

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution. Commissioner Gayton reminded the Commission that this item is already in the budget. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

6. Res. – SCADA System Upgrade

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

7. Res. – Purchase Vehicle Exhaust Filters

It was moved by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Collins to approve the resolution. Commissioner Gayton asked for an explanation of what these would be used for. Fire Chief/Interim City Manager Fant explained that they were to filter exhaust fumes, which would be better for the environment and safer and healthier for the Fire Department staff. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

8. Res. – Erosion Control Line

It was moved by Commissioner Kraus and seconded by Commissioner Bildz to approve the resolution. Commissioner Gayton asked for some background on this item. Deputy Public Works Director, Rick Raus, gave a brief explanation of why this was necessary. It concerns the sand sharing project. If we ever need to use the sand sharing project there must be an erosion control line established on the beach. Last July we had an item on the agenda for Coastal Tech to assist us with this. The County has offered to pay for it but the resolution supporting the project must be approved before the meeting on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous. Mayor Maloof asked if Nicole Elko had negotiated this for us. Mr. Raus stated that she had, and has been a great help on many of our beach projects. Commissioner Bildz asked about the mailings that would have to be sent out. They must be sent to all property owners within 1,000 feet of the area. Upon roll call, the vote to approve the resolution was unanimous.

**F. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m. by Mayor Maloof.

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Mary Maloof, Mayor

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Phil Collins – District 1

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Ed Gayton – District 2

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Richard Kraus – District 3

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Alan Bildz – District 4

**ATTEST:**

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Dawn M. Foss, City Clerk