

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 1, 2008**  
**6:00 PM**

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

**B. ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Mary Maloof		Present
Commissioner Phil Collins	District 1	Present
Commissioner Ed Gayton	District 2	Present
Commissioner Bob Minning – Vice Mayor	District 3	Absent
Commissioner Alan Bildz	District 4	Present

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mr. Merritt spoke regarding the new church that is forming. It was formerly the Holy Comforter Church. They will be joining with the Garden of Peace Church. He introduced the new Pastor, John Thompson. Pastor Thompson made brief remarks, and thanked Mayor Maloof for attending his induction ceremony. He announced that the new name of their church will be the Paradise Lutheran Church.

Dominique Reiter announced that the open air market will be continuing through the month of April. She said that she has delivered a check to Chief Fant to purchase the defibrillator. She then told the Commission that she had received a phone call from the son of the woman who was hit in front of Sloppy Joe's last week, asking that enforcement be stepped up to prevent another such accident.

Ruthie Starkey congratulated the Commission on the bridge. She then spoke about the March 18<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting. She stated that it was an oversight by city staff to not address the traffic concerns that will be caused by Publix. She then spoke about the \$50,000 for the downtown redevelopment. She suggested that they not hire an outside consultant, but use city staff and the Planning Board instead. She suggested that they use the \$50,000 to improve the beach walk. She then made comments regarding the City Attorney's comments at the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting, the City Attorney's contract, and compensation.

Marie Barba spoke regarding the \$50,000 expenditure proposed. She stated that the voters have not approved this business area, and money shouldn't be spent on it. She asked the Commission to refrain from campaigning for downtown redevelopment.

Mr. MacIntyre spoke representing a group of people regarding the \$50,000 expenditure for downtown redevelopment. He read a prepared statement in opposition of the expenditure.

Kevin Johnson stated that he is against spending \$15,000 on fireworks. He suggested that they spend the money on something important, and suggested a part time Code Enforcement Officer, or overtime for police enforcement. He is concerned about fire in the sea oats and houses.

Tony Amico, from Caddy's on the Beach spoke. He stated that we would be discussing parking at Sunset Beach. Florida is a tourist destination. We thrive off of tourism. We have a small problem with Caddy's blocking the roads sometimes when people are trying to get into the parking lot, or valet parking. There is a difficult traffic situation trying to get to Ft. DeSoto or Clearwater Beach, but nobody complains about that. Caddy's has been a commercial property since 1947. People move there knowing that Caddy's is there. Caddy's beach is one of the most popular in the city, but there are no facilities there, and no help from the city. The crosswalk there is the busiest in the City, but nobody is planning to do anything there. Mr. Amico passed out a drawing of a proposal to make West Gulf Blvd. two lanes going one way, and a one way return on the other side. He feels that it would alleviate the traffic problems in front of Caddy's. He is willing to assist financially with that. He also offered to provide residents with no parking signs for their property. He tries to keep his business a family place that closes early. He does not cater to late night drinkers. He cleans the beach every morning and every night. He tries to be a good neighbor.

#### **D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the minutes as printed. Upon roll call the vote to approve was unanimous.

#### **E. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

1. Res. 08-25 Request by Isle of Capri Civic Association to Erect a Lighted Flagpole at Roselli Park

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

2. Discussion of a Parking Permit for the Sunset Beach Area

City Manager, Reid Silverboard, gave a brief update on this item. Staff has met with Ms. Wellborn and Ms. Mattice about their proposal and explained the city's intentions. We intend to use the St. Pete Beach resident parking permit program as the model for ours. There are things that we will need to do to adjust it to our circumstances. We are requesting to provide a detailed report and recommendation to you by the first meeting in June, which will include a comprehensive estimate of the cost to provide such a program, and the proposed rules that we will need to establish. There are a number of things that we will need to do.

Commissioner Collins suggested that they look at Mr. Amico's drawing when considering this proposal.

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to look at a permit system. Commissioner Collins asked that it be open to all residents. Commissioner Bildz commented that the residents of Sunset Beach would like it to be modeled after the St. Pete Beach program. Commissioner Collins reiterated that he wanted all residents to be included. Mr. Silverboard stated that they will do what the Commission directs them to do. The metered parking will still be available to everyone.

The permit system will be directed at on street parking in front of residences. Commissioner Collins feels that it should be available to everyone. Commissioner Bildz and Mayor Maloof stated that they don't agree. This is aimed at the people who don't want to use metered parking. There is more metered public parking at Sunset Beach than anywhere else in the city.

Marie Barba stated that she is in favor of parking permits at Sunset Beach. This has been discussed since the time that Mayor Stubbs was in office. She stated that Tony Amico has done an excellent job of providing parking. The people that park in front of their homes do so because they do not want to pay for parking.

Tony Amico stated that he doesn't think that the parking problem is on the south end. It is more by Caddy's and K'atiki. He stated that there are seven public spots. This area of the beach is the most public, with 500 people on the beach every Saturday and Sunday. There are no facilities.

Upon roll call the motion was passed unanimously.

3. Res. 08-24 Designating areas of the Beach to be restricted for Nesting Birds

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

4. Res. 08-14 Award of July 4<sup>th</sup> Fireworks Bid

There being no motion, the resolution dies.

5. Ord. 08-02 Extending the Slow Speed- Minimum Wake Zone in John's Pass Inlet (1<sup>st</sup> Reading)

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the ordinance as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous. This item will come forward to the April 15, 2008 meeting for second reading and public hearing.

6. Res. 08-18 Award of Bid for Storm Drain Relining at 11700 Capri Circle South

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution as read. Commissioner Collins asked how soon the project would be started. Rick Raus stated that it should be soon. They have to wait for a very low tide. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

7. Res. 08-20 Acceptance of a Proposal for Engineering Services for Lift Station #3

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

8. Res. 08-19 Community Improvement Department Building Permit Rate Increase

It was moved by Commissioner Bildz and seconded by Mayor Maloof to approve the resolution as read. Commissioner Collins stated that it slows him down to vote for it because everything seems to be doubled. Commissioner Bildz gave an explanation of the fee, and how it is established. Some are only 30%. Commissioner Collins stated that he will vote for it, but reluctantly. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

9. Res. 08-22 Establishing an Escrow Account for Disputed Wastewater Surcharge

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Bildz to approve the resolution as read. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

10. Res. 08-30 BIG-C Delegate Appointment

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Bildz to approve the resolution as read. It was moved to appoint Commissioner Collins as the voting member, and Mayor Maloof and Commissioner Bildz as the alternates. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

11. Res. 08-31 Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council Delegate Appointment

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution as read. It was moved to appoint Commissioner Minning to the TBRPC. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

12. Res. 08-32 Suncoast League of Cities Delegate Appointment

It was moved by Commissioner Collins and seconded by Commissioner Gayton to approve the resolution as read. It was moved to appoint Commissioner Gayton as the voting representative, and Commissioner Bildz as the alternate. Upon roll call, the vote to approve was unanimous.

## **G. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by Mayor Maloof.