

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP MINUTES
June 15, 2010**

The workshop was called to order at 7:28 p.m. by Mayor Minning.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Discussion of the Board of County Commissioners amending the countywide ordinance regulating the hours for sale of alcoholic beverages from the present countywide standard of 2:00 a.m. to 3:00 a.m. (Requested by Mayor Minning)

Mayor Minning explained that he had received a request by County Commissioner Seel asking for input on this item. He asked for comments by the Chamber of Commerce.

Dominique Reiter stated that she had sent a question out to the members of the Chamber of Commerce. They received 18 no votes, and 22 yes votes. The majority of the 18 no votes were private citizens. Of the responses from the bars, they were more interested in the ability to open their bars on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in order for them to compete with other cities in the area. She suggested that they invite specific owners and general managers to give their opinions.

Mayor Minning suggested that they do so. Ms. Reiter stated that several bar owners had shared with her that the 10:00 a.m. opening was approved in the past.

Commissioner Collins stated that many years ago Sheriff Coates did come here and address that. He didn't feel that the one hour in either instance made much of a difference.

Commissioner Caldwell stated that she is not in favor of extending the hours to 3:00 a.m.

Commissioner Coward stated that she has no objections to extending the hours as it will be the same as surrounding communities.

Commissioner Bildz stated that he is not in favor of extending the hours until 3:00 a.m. He is more willing to allow the extra hour on Sunday morning.

Commissioner Collins suggested that they get an opinion from Chief Casey. Mayor Minning asked for an e-mail from Chief Casey addressing the question.

Mr. Silverboard suggested that they consider a nightclub license that would be approved on an annual basis by the City Commission. He gave a brief explanation on how it would work. That would give the Commission control over which businesses would be allowed to stay open based on how well they control their businesses. Commissioner Collins stated that the whole purpose of this would be to have uniformity, and the nightclub would get away from that. A brief discussion ensued.

This item will be on the next workshop for further discussion. Chief Casey and the Chamber of Commerce will be asked for their input on both issues.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

III. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Mr. Silverboard gave a reminder of this weekend's Saturday Sunset event. There will be music, vendors, and a movie on the beach at 9:00.

Mr. Silverboard stated that they need to have an executive session on labor. He suggested that they do it next week. They have received proposals from the Police and Fire unions and he would like to discuss the proposals and counter proposals. They will try to do it on Monday at 3:00 p.m.

Mr. Silverboard stated that he is hoping to have the budget to the Commission on either Friday, July 2nd, or Tuesday, July 6th. They can start meeting on it the week of July 12th or July 19th. He suggested that they convene at 1:00 and go until 4:00 or 4:30. He is suggesting that the committee meetings scheduled for those weeks be held in another room so that the budget hearings can be televised. He suggested that they meet beginning July 14th and meet a couple of days the following week as well. He expects it to take three or four days to do the first pass through the budget. They can decide after that how many more meetings they will need. They will have to set the tentative millage no later than the August 3rd meeting. It was suggested that they meet the 19th, 21st, and 22nd, and 23rd if necessary. They can meet the 26th or 27th if necessary as well. It was agreed to meet from 1:00 to 4:00 on those dates.

Mr. Silverboard reported that the beach tractor is broken. The estimated repair cost is \$10,000. He has authorized the emergency repair to the equipment, and the rental of a tractor. The tractor has been in and out of operation for the past three or four weeks, so he authorized the rental so that we wouldn't get too far behind on the beach. He can put this on the agenda when he finds out the exact cost of the repair.

Mr. Silverboard stated that the big issue of concern to municipalities in the County Charter Review is the repeal of the County Charter and enactment of a new proposed charter. The concern is that the current charter requires a dual vote. The cities have some control over what is being imposed on their residents. The concern is that if they rewrite the charter they will eliminate the dual vote. Several cities have written to the County Commission objecting to that provision going forward. Mayor Minning asked for the concurrence of the Commission to write a letter to the County Commission objecting to that change. Ms. Kiefer commented on a lawsuit that was filed against the County several years ago on this issue. She will provide them with information on that lawsuit so that the Mayor can use the information in writing his letter. Mr. Silverboard reported that there was a public hearing on this last night and there will be another one on June 28th in the board room of the County Commission Chamber in Clearwater at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Minning will attend that meeting.

IV. REPORTS & COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Coward had a resident call her concerned about the boats going too fast in the area of Yacht Club Estates. They have started a petition, and want to know how to handle it properly to get it before the Commission. Mr. Silverboard has discussed this with Chief Casey. Depending upon where the area is, the Commission has addressed this within the last several

years and decided not to take action. The Commission would have to workshop the item and ask the Police Chief to prepare the necessary packet of information, including a proposed ordinance. That would have to be approved by the City Commission and then approved by the state. If approved it would come back to the City Commission for approval unchanged. Once that is done it would go to the County to install the markers and signage. The process can be very lengthy. The Commission needs to decide what kind of public input it wants to get before it directs staff to start this process. There have been a sizeable number of people opposed to doing a no wake or idle speed zone in this area in the past. Commissioner Coward asked Mr. Silverboard to outline the process for her. Mr. Silverboard will send the Commission an e-mail that he received from Chief Casey on the process.

Commissioner Bildz reported that the Sunset Beach Civic Association has a new president. It is April Maxwell.

Mayor Minning gave a reminder of the Hands Across the Sand event to be held on June 21st.

Mayor Minning stated that our website has good links to information on the oil spill.

Mayor Minning asked for people to contact Donna White if they have space to donate.

Mayor Minning gave a reminder of the Beach Blast to be held on July 3rd and 4th.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

The workshop was adjourned at 8:06 p.m. by Mayor Minning.