

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP MINUTES
July 6, 2010**

The workshop was called to order by Mayor Minning at 6:21 p.m.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Consideration of Res. 10-55, Approval of Pinellas County NPDES Interlocal Monitoring Agreement 2010 Amendment

Mr. Murphy gave a brief explanation of the item. This would extend the NPDES Interlocal Monitoring Agreement that they have been working under for twelve years. This agreement allows for the county to monitor water quality. It is his recommendation that they extend the agreement for another two years.

Commissioner Collins clarified that Treasure Island is 754 acres of land area, according to the county. Mr. Murphy answered in the affirmative.

This item will move forward to the next meeting agenda.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

Commissioner Collins reported that the undergrounding permits for the power lines coming from St. Pete are in the works, and should be done by August. Mr. Silverboard stated that the project is expected to be completed by August.

Commissioner Caldwell asked Mr. Silverboard to clarify some of the information regarding the last power outage. Mr. Silverboard explained that one of the major switches that is located in St. Petersburg failed. The load was transferred to another line, which then failed. Part of the delay was in tracking down where the problem occurred and what needed to be replaced and repaired in Treasure Island. Part of the reason for the new power line is for this type of problem. It will provide for a redundancy in the load capacity. It was not because of the city not issuing permits as some of Progress Energy's employees were saying. He received an apology from a Vice President from Progress Energy for the misinformation.

Mayor Minning stated that they are obligated to do reviews of the City Manager and City Attorney and have not done so. He suggested that they be done sometime in August or September. Ms. Kiefer provided input on how they have been done in the past. Mayor Minning asked if they had a job description. Ms. Kiefer stated that it was in the charter. Mr. Silverboard stated that if they had one he would send it out.

Commissioner Coward stated that Commissioner Gayton provided them with the form that was used the last time they were done. Ms. Kiefer asked when and how he provided them with the document. She then requested that they complete hers before the budget is completed so that an increase in compensation could be considered.

A brief discussion ensued on the process that they might follow.

III. CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS AND COMMENTS:

Ms. Kiefer reported that a motion to continue has been granted in the Schwarz case. The trial will be held in November.

Ms. Kiefer stated that in the Becker case there has been a motion filed to remand it back to state court. There has been no ruling yet.

Ms. Kiefer reported that the Charter Review Committee will meet next week. She will be providing them with a summary of what they have discussed and will be recommending to the Commission.

Ms. Kiefer stated that she is continuing to work with Mr. Barquette on the license agreement for delivery on the beach.

Mr. Silverboard stated that we got word today from the county regarding the EMS funding for next year. Last year's funding included \$32,000 to be reserved for replacement of a response vehicle in the future. We included the second installment of \$32,000 in this upcoming year's budget, which was initially approved at a staff level. We were advised today that we will not get the \$32,000 for next year, and the \$32,000 for the current year has to be used for normal EMS expenses. They have reduced our funding over a two year period by approximately \$120,000. He has a call in to Mr. LaSala, as this is different than what we have been told in the past. We were planning on replacing an engine next year, but this will affect the funding of that unit. This is in conflict with what he was told on Friday.

Mr. Silverboard stated that the county is getting a lot of criticism on their response to the oil spill. They are working on their response in the event that the oil reaches the area. They are not expecting more than tar balls that are easy to clean off the beaches. We will provide the information to the public when we receive it.

Mr. Silverboard stated that the fireworks exceeded everyone's expectations. City staff did a great job with the event. The rain hampered attendance during the day but there was a good crowd for the fireworks.

Mr. Silverboard stated that he will have a report on the beach tractor to the Commission in their mailboxes in the morning. He gave a brief explanation of the situation with it. Commissioner Collins asked about the permit situation for moving the sand dunes around. Mr. Silverboard explained that when Clearwater did it they had a detailed plan which provided for creating new dunes. He doesn't think that they will be allowed to move the dunes, but they will probably be allowed to clear the entrance ways and redeposit the sand in other areas.

Commissioner Coward asked the condition of the ALS engine scheduled to be replaced. Mr. Silverboard explained that it is in fair condition. Commissioner Coward asked what will happen if we are unable to replace it. Mr. Silverboard stated that we would have to keep it running. It is twenty years old.

IV. REPORTS & COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Coward commented on the presentation given by Ward Friszlowski on Amendment 4 at the BIG C meeting last week. It was very well done and very helpful. It was suggested that Mr. Friszlowski be invited to speak to residents in September.

Commissioner Coward stated that she agrees that reviews need to be done, but doesn't agree that they should be tied to increases. She would like to discuss an inappropriate situation from the last meeting. She asked how it should be handled properly. She felt the dialogue between the city attorney and a person at the podium was inappropriate. Mayor Minning stated that he should address those issues. Commissioner Collins stated that no matter who is speaking we all have to treat each other with courtesy. Mr. Silverboard stated that the procedure should be that the person finding something objectionable should bring up a point of order to the Mayor.

Mayor Minning thanked staff and volunteers who worked on the 4th of July event. It was well done.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Burke gave compliments on the fireworks display provided by the Chamber of Commerce. He stated that there were numerous fireworks violations and suggested that if the ordinance isn't going to be enforced then they should get rid of it.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

The workshop was adjourned by Mayor Minning at 7:03 p.m.