

**CITY OF TREASURE ISLAND, FLORIDA
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORKSHOP MINUTES
September 22, 2010**

The workshop was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Minning.

I. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

1. Consideration of Res. 10-84, Request by the Gulf Beaches Rotary Club to Hold a Spring Festival.

Mayor Minning stated that he and Commissioner Coward are members of the Gulf Beaches Rotary Club. He has cleared with the city's attorney that they have no personal gain in this, so they are allowed to vote on this issue.

Harry Black from the Gulf Beaches Rotary Club gave a brief explanation of this item. They are asking to use the area at the Community Center to hold a four day festival which will have rides, games, and live music. They would partner with the Recreation Department and with Bill Edwards. The money would be split. The Rotary's share goes towards children in the area. Mr. Edward's share would go to the Edwards Family Foundation, which benefits children. The city's share would be used for scholarships for camp. They will have the bands stop playing by 10:00 pm, and close the event at 11:00. They will provide security for the event and will clean the area nightly. The city will assist with trash pickup. If there is damage to the grass they will replace it. The city will assist with parking. Allied has agreed to allow their parking facilities to be used. They will also be using the city parking lot and parking on the beach.

Commissioner Collins asked if we would be waiving the parking fees at both the community center and the TI Gulf Front Park. Ms. Hayduke stated that they would be closing the lot at the Community Center for the event and carnival staff. The other lot would be used for the event for a fee.

Commissioner Collins asked about the security that would be provided and what it would be used for. Ms. Hayduke stated that it would be to direct traffic to the proper places, and to monitor the event. They will call the on call police officers if necessary.

Commissioner Collins asked if the residents in the area have been asked about it and if anyone had a problem with it. Ms. Hayduke stated that they have all been notified and nobody has expressed an opinion.

Commissioner Caldwell stated that the information says that the city was being asked to provide volunteers. She asked how that would work. Ms. Hayduke stated that she will try to arrange for as many volunteers as possible to assist with the various functions in order to reduce costs.

Commissioner Bildz asked how many rides they have contracted for. Mr. Black stated that they will have to survey the area to see how many could be used there. It will probably be 12 to 15.

Commissioner Bildz asked if the Islettes have been notified that they cannot have bingo that week. Ms. Hayduke stated that she has spoken with them and they will move to the auditorium for that week.

Commissioner Bildz stated that he loved the event and asked why it had to be in March and why not have it in October. Mr. Black stated that October is not a good time to do these events. The spring is a good time to hold them because there are people here. Commissioner Bildz stated that we need to have events to bring people in.

This item will move forward to the next meeting agenda.

2. Consideration of Res. 10-82, Approval of Extension of ALS First Responder Services Agreement with Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority

Chief Fant gave a brief explanation of this item. We have a current agreement that expires on September 30th. The county has proposed that we extend the current agreement for an additional year.

Commissioner Coward asked that Chief Fant assure the public that our service will continue to be top notch. Chief Fant stated that the service will not change. The only reduction is to the level of fees that we will receive. The levels of service will remain the same.

Commissioner Bildz asked when they would start working on next year's agreement. Chief Fant stated that it would be whenever the County was ready to start.

Commissioner Bildz asked about the reimbursement for the new equipment. Chief Fant stated that it would also be up to the County.

Mayor Minning asked about the \$32,750 that was supposed to be held in escrow. Chief Fant stated that we are still holding it in reserve. Mr. Silverboard stated that we were given \$32,000 this year and told that we had to put it in reserve. They have notified us that they are going to hold the next year's money until we are ready to purchase the truck.

This item will move forward to the next meeting agenda.

3. Consideration of Library Service Agreement for FY 2010-2011

Mr. Silverboard gave a brief explanation of this item. In August they approved a three year agreement which calls for an annual service contract. The service contract sets

the fee for the upcoming year. We will be paying \$86,200, which was included in the budget for library services for the upcoming year.

Commissioner Bildz stated that the contract will expire before our next meeting, and asked why this one was not included in the last workshop. Mr. Silverboard explained that it was not received until September 13th.

II. OLD BUSINESS:

None

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Ms. Kiefer stated that Judge Demers dismissed the Becker lawsuit. She gave a brief update on the judgment. It can be amended or appealed, but it is her opinion that it will be dismissed again if they do so. For right now it has been dismissed. Commissioner Collins asked how long they have to make an appeal. Ms. Kiefer stated that they have 20 days to make an amendment, at which point we will make a motion to dismiss. When something is dismissed with prejudice it cannot be amended. If it is dismissed without prejudice it can be amended.

Ms. Kiefer stated that she is asking for an executive session to be held on October 5th at 5:00 to discuss litigation strategy, expenditure of funds, and settlement. She gave an update on what action has been taken recently. The trial is set for November. She anticipates calling another executive session after October 5th when they get a decision from the court. Present at the executive session will be the Commission, City Manager, herself, and Attorney Tom Scarritt. There are documents available for them to read in a confidential binder in Mr. Silverboard's office. She urged the Commission to read the motion before the executive session.

Commissioner Bildz asked if one hour would be enough for the executive session. Ms. Kiefer stated that it should be, and it could be continued after the regular meeting if need be.

Ms. Kiefer stated that at 1:30 tomorrow she would be going into ordinance court. We are getting complaints regarding the noise at the Sloppy Pelican, which is located in St. Pete Beach. We have been citing them for violations of our noise ordinance. It is an interesting legal question as the damage is being done in Treasure Island, but the act is being done in St. Pete Beach. Their attorney has filed a motion to dismiss. There is case law to support a case of this nature.

Mr. Silverboard reported that the beach renourishment project has ended in Treasure Island. They are currently breaking down their piping. We had thought that they had agreed to extend the amount of sand that they were going to put on Sunset Beach, but they were unable to do so. They have been asked to look at sand from Blind Pass, but they have the same issue there as they had at John's Pass. They do not feel that they have adequate sand to complete all of the projects that they have to complete. They are completing the final grading of the beach now.

Mr. Silverboard stated that we are trying to set up a special meeting in late October to discuss the beach trail.

Mr. Silverboard reported that the activities to the north and south of the Caddy's area have significantly decreased. The police are scaling down their activity there.

IV. REPORTS & COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS:

Commissioner Collins offered to speak at condominium association meetings.

Commissioner Coward asked if the Visioning Committee surveys were going to be mailed out. Mr. Silverboard answered in the affirmative. They will be stamped for the return postage so that all they will have to do is fold it and put it in the mailbox. Commissioner Coward asked if there was a place for people to deposit their surveys at City Hall. Mr. Silverboard explained the procedure.

Commissioner Bildz reported on the Suncoast League of Cities meeting that he attended. He toured the new facilities in Seminole.

Commissioner Bildz stated that the library will hold its first meeting of the year on September 27th. They will be honoring four board members who are retiring. He commented that the per capita spending for the library is very low compared to what other cities spend.

Mayor Minning stated that it was no fault of the city that we did not get a full renourishment of our beach. When the original survey of the sand area was done it was determined that there was sufficient sand. When further study was done the DEP determined that there was not sufficient sand of the proper grain size to do a full renourishment. The DEP has stepped up their policing of borrow areas throughout the state. We will file again for renourishment sooner than we usually do. He spoke with Nicole Elko who suggested that they try to have Sunset Beach done in 2013 when there is more work done at Upham Beach.

Mayor Minning thanked Mr. Silverboard and the staff for the work done on the budget this year.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

The workshop was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. by Mayor Minning.