



**TOWN OF REDINGTON BEACH
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
September 18, 2007**

Having been duly advertised as required by law, the **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Redington Beach, Florida, was held on **Tuesday, September 18, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Redington Beach Town Hall at 105 – 164TH Avenue, Redington Beach, Florida.

Mayor Simons called the **Regular Meeting** to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer	X	
Commissioner Peck-Epstein	X	
Commission Steiermann	X	
Commissioner Deighton	X	
Mayor Simons	X	
Town Attorney Burbine	X	
Town Clerk Patrus	X	

Motion made by Commissioner Peck-Epstein and seconded by Commissioner Bradbeer to approve the agenda with these changes: add under OLD BUSINESS item ‘a’ Resolution 2007-27 ; under NEW BUSINESS item ‘d’ Town Ordinances Sec. 6-284 Maximum Height; and Sec. 5-57 Specifications for docks. **Motion passed with all ayes.**

Public Forum: Paul Madsen, 6th Street spoke regarding lights at the crosswalks, white stripping on the access roads and future of constructing underground utilities.

REPORTS

Public Safety – Commissioner Peck-Epstein

- Resolution to the parking of trucks on 161st and Gulf Blvd., spoke with Public Works Director and per our ordinances, it may be resolved.
- In response to Mr. Madsen’s painting of the crosswalks, I have spoken to the DOT and they said we are on the list.
- The DOT has okayed the crosswalk beacons for 164th Avenue.

Building– Commissioner Bradbeer

- Nothing to report.

Public Works - Commissioner Steiermann

- The energy audit in Town Hall has been completed today.
- The seawall holes across the north side have been backfilled.
- The repairs to the Town truck have been completed.
- Moon Park is being cleaned, in preparation for tourist season.
- Moving forward to the repair of storm sewer drain on 164th Street. Mark Davis received a quote of \$30,000 for labor to complete the repair. Board discussion.

Finance– Vice Mayor Deighton

- Reminder that final millage and budget adoption meeting will be held Thursday, September 20 at 7 p.m.

Mayor Simons

- No action will be taken tonight on Phase III; in conversations with Richard Mayor, SWFWMD it was settled that he would arrange a meeting with TBE, Hamid Faraji, the Town and himself.

Town Clerk Patrus

- Reminder that general elections will be held Tuesday November 6, therefore Board of Commissioners meeting will be rescheduled.

Attorney Burbine

- An opinion will be forthcoming on the Butts case. This is a situation where the swales have been altered.

Tech Committee – Paul Warren

Presented the recommendations of the Tech Committee regarding the following issues:

- Status of the Town server and computer systems – Technician from White Hat was able to get server access. Recommendation of the Tech Committee is to purchase an auto backup drive for installation to the present server. Estimate of cost with installation could be approximately \$500. This will be added to the Agenda under **NEW BUSINESS as item ‘e’**.
- The proposed Town Web site - Tech Committee has previewed the proposed web sites generated by Digital Eel. Neither draft is totally acceptable. The Committee will look at further samples and work with Digital Eel in creating suitable site for our Town. All the elements are interchangeable, the design, header banner, navigation bar and colors. Agreement is to leave it up to the Tech committee to bring back a recommendation by the 10/2 meeting.
- Town email addresses – In the creation of a new web site the Town domain has been changed. Town hall employees and Board members received new email addresses. Discussion as to how the routing of the email will flow and address name designation. Paul Warren will work with Digital Eel in assigning suitable email addresses, that will protect the Town Public Records rules. *Jim Hoffman, Redington Drive* urged the committee to study the storage of emails before adding additional hardware. Mr. Warren and the Tech Committee will handle the coordination with the web host.

CONSENT AGENDA : (a.) Meeting minutes from Regular September 4 and Special 1st Budget meeting of September 6, 2007; (b.) Bill List for week ending September 14, 2007 were adopted by a **Motion** by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Peck-Epstein for discussion. Commissioner Peck-Epstein questioned the General Ledger Number Abrv. for attorney fees. Deputy Clerk will revise. No further discussion.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer		X	X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein			X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton	X		X		
Mayor Simons			X		

Consent Agenda approved with five affirmative votes.

OLD BUSINESS

a. Mayor Simons said that the recently adopted Resolution 2007-14 to equalize the condo refuse fees has been misinterpreted by the Pinellas County Utilities. In order to clarify this, Resolution 2007-27 has been prepared.

Resolution 2007-27

A Resolution of the Town Commissioners of the Town of Redington Beach Amending Resolution 2007-14; To Clarify the Refuse Fees for Town Condos to \$16.08 Per Unit Per Billing Cycle; and Providing for an Effective Date.

Attorney Burbine inserted additional clarification statements into the Resolution. **Motion** was made by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Bradbeer to adopt as amended.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer		X	X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein			X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton	X		X		
Mayor Simons			X		

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Pension Plan, Terry Dillon, Resolution 2007-25 – Vice Mayor Deighton presented the research material provided by Town Clerk Patrus. Over the past three years Mr. Dillon has questioned the investments in his pension plan. Determination findings were based on Mr. Dillon’s effective start date in the plan. Based on data supplied by CitiStreets, the 1st quarter of designated funds, \$576.00, were not remitted by the Town. The accrued amount on this payment is calculated to be \$413.54. **Resolution 2007-25** was presented for adoption. Board discussion.

Resolution 2007-25

A Resolution of the Town Commissioners for the Town of Redington Beach Authorizing Reimbursement of Pension Payment to Terry Dillon.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Bradbeer to adopt Resolution as amended. Amendment to read: Section 4: This is contingent upon Terry Dillon signing a release form to absolve the Town of future action on this issue.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer		X	X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein			X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton	X		X		
Mayor Simons			X		

Resolution 2007-25 was adopted with five affirmative votes.

- b. Proposal for employee medical plan package from Florida League of Cities; Resolution 2007-26 ; Town Clerk Patrus explained the need to reduce Town expenses and provide employee medical and life insurance coverage. Proposal from FMIT through the League, is an equitable plan that will save the Town approximately \$7,000 annually. Resolution 2007-26 was presented for adoption. Discussion by the Board regarding the change over procedure and options open to the employees.

Resolution 2007-26

A Resolution of the Town Commissioners for the Town of Redington Beach Entering into an Agreement with Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) for Employee Medical and Life Coverage.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Peck-Epstein to adopt Resolution as amended. Amendment: FMIT proposal will be attached to the Resolution; employees will be notified in writing and given options to retain their present life insurance coverage; they will sign off their acceptance.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer			X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein		X	X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton	X		X		
Mayor Simons			X		

Resolution 2007-26 was adopted with five affirmative votes.

- c. Pinellas County Sheriff’s contract for law enforcement, year 2007-08; Resolution 2007-24 – Commissioner Peck-Epstein introduced the proposed contract. No Discussion. Resolution 2007-24 was presented for adoption.

Resolution 2007-24

A Resolution of the Town Commissioners of the Town of Redington Beach Entering into an Agreement for Law Enforcement Services, with Jim Coats, Sheriff, Pinellas County

Contract term will be October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. Total contract amount is \$203,645.17. a 6.59% increase over previous year’s contract. Invoices will be paid monthly: 11 months at \$16,970.43 and 1 month at \$16,970.45.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer			X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein	X		X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton		X	X		
Mayor Simons			X		

Resolution 2007-24 was adopted with five affirmative votes.

d. Town Ordinances Sec.6-284 Maximum height; placement – Planning Chairman Rob Epstein presented the Planning Boards interpretation of Town ordinance Sec. 6-284 maximum height; placement of fence, wall or hedge etc. The recommendation of the Planning Board is to leave it as written. Discussion ensued by Board, Attorney and Mr. Epstein. Public comment by Charlotte Martin, 2nd Street. Consensus was that no change to the Ordinance Sec. 6-284 was needed.

Town Ordinance Sec. 5-57 Specifications for docks – Discussion by Board, Attorney and Mr. Epstein. Consensus of the Board was that Planning Board would conduct meetings with Public involvement to review Town ordinance specifications for docks. Mayor and Commissioner Bradbeer would draft a letter to the County Building Dept. and Pinellas County Waters and Navigation Authority requesting that they enforce Town code, Sec. 5-57 the Town dock Ordinance.

- e. Purchase of hardware and installation of auto backup drive and cable to Town server – Tech Committee Chairman Paul Warren recommended that Board approve the purchase of a Link station auto backup system and cable from Wareforce and installation by White Hat, at a cost not to exceed \$600. No further discussion by the Board and no Public comments. **Motion** made by Vice Mayor Deighton to purchase the hardware and installation, not to exceed \$600.00, motion seconded by Commissioner Peck-Epstein.

	Motion	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Bradbeer			X		
Commissioner Peck-Epstein		X	X		
Commissioner Steiermann			X		
Vice Mayor Deighton	X		X		
Mayor Simons			X		

Motion passed with five affirmative votes.

OTHER BUSINESS

Attorney Burbine read Ordinance 2007-03 by Title. This ordinance was drafted to amend appendix A of the Town Code, amending Section 4 by adding subsection (2d) prohibiting short term rentals. Commission discussion and Public comment from Ruth Davis, 2nd Street. Board stated that this ordinance was not enforceable and needed further definition. Attorney will redraft the ordinance, making it code enforceable and present at Board Workshop on October 16th.

No further Business, **Motion** made by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Peck-Epstein and to **adjourn**. All ayes. **Regular Meeting adjourned** at 10:05.p.m.

Adopted: October 2, 2007

Janina Patrus, Town Clerk RMC