



**TOWN OF REDINGTON BEACH, FLORIDA  
BUDGET MEETING MINUTES  
September 4, 2008**

Having been duly advertised as required by law, the Special Budget Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Redington Beach, Florida, was held on **Thursday September 4, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Redington Beach Town Hall at 105 – 164<sup>TH</sup> Avenue, Redington Beach, Florida.

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Mayor Simons called the **Special Budget Meeting** to order.

**Roll Call:**

	Present	Absent
Commissioner Fox	X	
Commissioner Drillick	X	
Commissioner Steiermann	X	
Vice Mayor Deighton	X	
Mayor Simons	X	
Town Attorney Lokenauth	X	
Town Clerk Patrus	X	
Deputy Clerk Clarke	X	

**Present from the Public were residents Tom Owens, Leon Chowning and Jim Hoffman, Finance Committee.**

**Motion** by Vice Mayor Deighton and seconded by Commissioner Fox to approve the Agenda. **Agenda approved with all ayes.**

**PUBLIC FORUM – Non-Agenda Items Only**

Tom Owen, 1<sup>st</sup> Street East – said that he and his neighbors on 1<sup>st</sup> Street are opposed to the storm drain project for 1<sup>st</sup> street. They object to the Town continuing with Phase IV. The standing water on their street is due to the poor grading of the street; it seems pointless to put storm drains in streets built at sea level.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The Board’s budget workshop was held on July 30; at that time a line-by-line review of the proposed budget was conducted.

Vice Mayor Deighton presented the fiscal 2008-2009 budget. The summary of the three funds, General, Capital and Storm Water revenues and expenses were evaluated. The Vice Mayor said that due to reassessment of properties values, the **General Fund** revenue figures were considerably lower than last year and on the conservative side.

**General Fund balanced total \$1,122,425.** The General Fund expenses were also a reflection of the reduced revenue; a \$183,192 reduction from last fiscal. In General Fund expenses, the Board discussed Acct. 539.20 Temp Help. Amount will be adjusted by \$4,000 and put on the Board September 16 meeting agenda for further discussion.

Commissioner Steiermann proposed a 3.5% COL for Town Clerk, Public Works Director and Assist. to Public Workers and a 5% merit for Deputy Clerk in lieu of the 5% cost of living budgeted. No consensus from the Board. Discussion ensued. Comment was heard from Jim Hoffmann, Finance Committee. Figures will be left in the budget as they stand; this will be an agenda item for Board Sept. 16 regular meeting.

**General Fund replacement reserve totaled \$186,704.** Vice Mayor Deighton went over the budgeted figures for storm debris collection and roads and streets; \$158,804 is being set aside for future Town street repair. The storm debris collection account will have a \$21,000 balance.

**Capital Fund balanced total \$583,451.** The amounts budgeted for seawall replacement and the restructuring of the fire house were reviewed.

**Storm Water Fund balanced total \$414,700.** Discussion by the Board and Public of the SWFWMD phase III project that will be completed in fiscal 2009. Vice Mayor Deighton presented to the Board an outline the Finance Committee followed in determining funding for the final phases. Storm drain replacement will be done in a few limited sites to complete the project. This final operation will not be funded through SWFWMD, but by the Town. This may prove to be more expedient, since current contractor Keystone, has quoted a lower price and presently has their equipment on site. The issue with 1<sup>st</sup> East residents' objection will be addressed as the project continues. The outfall at the end of 155<sup>th</sup> Avenue through 163<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and the under draining at 163<sup>rd</sup> Avenue will be done to alleviate the water problems.

Vice Mayor Deighton said that the Finance Committee may reconvene to review the employee salary ranges as well as to look into a 5-year plan for the Town.

Second and final budget review meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18 at 7 p.m.

No further business, **Motion** made by Vice Mayor Deighton to adjourn and seconded by Commissioner Steiermann. Special Budget meeting was **adjourned at 8:20 p.m.**

**Adopted:** September 16, 2008

*Janina Patrus, RMC*  
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