

CITY COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

August 14, 2012

6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Steve McFarlin, Mayor
Marvin Shavlan, Vice Mayor
Lorraine Huhn, Commissioner
Jim Parent, Commissioner
Bev Garnett, Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT:

Mike Bonfield, City Manager
Susan Churuti, City Attorney
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk
Elaine Edmunds, Finance Director
Steve Hallock, Public Services Director

1. Changes to the Agenda

City Manager Bonfield requested to add a banner display application re: the RNC as Item 4(k).

2. Presentations

There were no presentations.

3. Audience Comments

Deborah Schechner, Boca Ciega Isles Drive, asked about the density in the property noticed in a legal ad the previous week.

4. Consent

a. Approval of the June 26, 2012; July 10, 2012; and July 24, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes

b. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a purchasing agreement with Rowland Inc. for \$311,933.35 for replacement of 1300 feet of deteriorated Force Main #2 pipe

c. Authorization for the City Manager to enter into a FY2013 annual contract for services agreement with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Latent Print, Forensics, Evidence and Property, Records Management in the amount of \$22,183.45 and the ARMS estimate in the amount of \$8,250.00 totaling \$30,433.45.

d. Authorize the City Manager to pay Rowland Inc. up to \$179,380 for Tropical Storm Debby repairs at Sunset Park.

e. Approve the request from Corey Area Business Association to close the 300 and 400 blocks of Corey Ave on 1/26/13 – 1/27/13, 4/6/13 – 4/7/13, 6/1/13 – 6/2/13 and 12/7/13 – 12/8/13 for the Corey Avenue Art and Craft Shows.

f. Approve the request from Corey Area Business Association to close the 300 block of Corey Ave on Sundays from October 2012 through May 2013 for the Corey Fresh Market.

g. Approve the request from Corey Area Business Association to close the 300 and 400 block of Corey Ave on the second and fourth Fridays of the month for their Sunset Celebration events in 2013.

h. Authorize the City Manager to hang banners over 75th Avenue at Boca Ciega Drive and over the Pinellas Bayway at Granada Avenue for 2013 Corey Area Business Association special events.

i. Ratification of the City Manager's decision to pay Luke Brothers Inc. \$52,650 for Tropical Storm Debby tree debris removal and approval to pay \$6,825 for the remaining tree stump removal.

j. Ratification of the City Manager's decision to allow the closure of 8th Ave on 6/30/12 for a Block Party and approval to close 8th Ave 10/20/12 for a Block Party.

k. Authorize City Manager to hang RNC welcoming banners over 75th Avenue at Boca Ciega Drive and over the Pinellas Bayway at Granada Avenue for Tampa Bay Beaches Chamber of Commerce

City Manager Bonfield recommended approval of the Consent Items with the addition of Item (k).

Commissioner Parent made a motion to approve the consent agenda, with the addition of Item 4(k). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garnett and unanimously approved a roll call vote.

5. Action Items

There were no action items for this agenda.

6. Ordinances

a. Ordinance 2012-13, First Reading and Public Hearing, providing that wastewater rates be reviewed annually during fiscal year budget preparation and adjustments recommended to City Commission based on monies needed to pay Wastewater Enterprise Fund expenditures.

City Manager Bonfield explained that when the Commission adopted the new rates several years ago, the ordinance set forth a review and recommendation process to incorporate any adjustments. Ordinance 2012-13 removes specific dates and allows for generic dates.

Commissioner Garnett made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2012-13, an ordinance of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida providing for amendment of Subsection (e) of Section 86-31 of the Code of Ordinances of the City, pertaining to wastewater use charges; providing for annual wastewater rate review; providing for severability; providing for repeal of ordinances or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict; and providing for an effective date.

Mayor McFarlin called for audience comments; there were none.

Vice Mayor Shavlan asked about the mitigation process.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Huhn and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

7. Resolutions

a. Resolution 2012-08, amending the City of St. Pete Beach Investment Policy, Section VI for investment in any investment pool organized pursuant to section 163.01 and 218.415 of the Florida Statutes.

Finance Director Edmunds noted that the proposed resolution updates the City's policy which was written in 2001, and allows the City to utilize any investment pool that meets the requirements of Florida Statutes.

Vice Mayor Shavlan made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2012-08, a resolution amending the City of St. Pete Beach Investment Policy Section VI to allow for investments in any investment pool organized pursuant to Section 163-01 and 218.415 of the Florida Statutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garnett and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

b. Resolution 2012-09 establishing a public hearing for September 12, 2012 to consider adoption of the annual storm water assessment roll.

City Manager Bonfield reported that the proposed resolution procedurally sets a public hearing to adopt the storm water assessment roll fees. The original public hearing was previously set on September 11 with the adoption of Resolution No. 2012-06, but this date conflicted with another agency's public hearing for millage rate discussion.

Commissioner Garnett made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-09, a resolution of the City of St. Pete Beach, Florida, directing the preparation of a non-ad valorem assessment roll for storm water management services for Fiscal Year 2012-13; providing for a public hearing on such assessment roll and directing notice thereof; and providing for an effective date. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Shavlan and unanimously approved by roll call vote.

8. Items for Discussion

There were no items for discussion for this agenda.

9. City Manager, City Attorney and City Commission Reports

City Manager Bonfield reported on the upcoming pension board meetings, the seaweed accumulation from Tropical Storm Debby, the installation of trees on Gulf Boulevard and agenda items for the August 28 City Commission Meeting.

City Attorney Susan Churuti reported on two code enforcement items.

Commissioner Garnett reported on bicycle conditions on the 'secret sidewalk' between 28th Avenue and 30th Avenue and requested consideration of an ordinance limiting bicyclists to walking their bikes on this section of sidewalk.

Commissioner Parent reported on the Big C meeting for August 22 at the Community Center, thanked the residents for their comments regarding the pension issues, and requested information on how to report a violation of wake laws.

Commissioner Huhn thanked fellow Commissioners for fielding calls resulting from a misprint of her telephone number on a recent informational flyer regarding pension issues. Ms. Huhn reported that Hot August Nights will take place this weekend at Riptides, Sarasota Cupcake Company will open a store on Corey Avenue, Chill/Steam will open a bakery behind their current restaurant, Kepler Glass Studio successfully moved across the street from their current location on Corey Avenue and a new deli is opening on Corey Avenue.

Mayor McFarlin thanked everyone for their work related to the pension hearings. Mr. McFarlin requested to schedule a future discussion to consider lowering the speed limit along Gulf Boulevard.

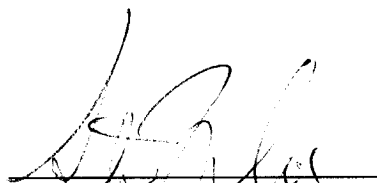
City Manager Bonfield responded that he will obtain information from FDOT on previous studies.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Attest:


Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk


Steve McFarlin, Mayor

Minutes approved on: 8-28-2012