

**MINUTES
LONGBOAT KEY TOWN COMMISSION
REGULAR WORKSHOP MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2013 - 1:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor Jim Brown, Vice Mayor David Brenner, Commrs. Jack Duncan, Terry Gans, Lynn Larson, Phill Younger, Pat Zunz

Also: Town Manager Dave Bullock, Town Attorney David Persson, Town Clerk
Present: Trish Granger

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brown called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in the Town Commission Chamber, 501 Bay Isles Road, Longboat Key, Florida and Vice Mayor Brenner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD

1. Opportunity for Public to Address Town Commission

A. Public Works

Mr. Gene Jaleski, Cedar Street, gave a PowerPoint presentation on LED lighting for Gulf of Mexico Drive and requested consideration for the Town to investigate the use of the LED technology.

Upon inquiry, Town Manager Dave Bullock advised that he has provided the information to Staff and that Florida Power and Light (FPL) Company will be contacted regarding the issue.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

2. Manatee County Special Liaison Report

A. Organizations

Vice Mayor Brenner noted he and Commr. Zunz attended the Manatee County Council of Governments meeting and reviewed the issues discussed. Discussion ensued on the amount of taxes paid to the School Board and the ranking of the schools on a state-wide basis.

3. Sarasota County Special Liaison Report

A. Organizations

Commr. Duncan noted he will be participating in the Federal Legislative "Fly-In" in Washington, D.C., as a member of the ManaSota League of Cities and requested that Commissioners or members of the public contact him with any issues they would like him to raise.

4. Other Reports

A. Organizations

Vice Mayor Brenner noted he and Commr. Gans attended the Sarasota County Chamber of Commerce meeting.

4. Other Reports - Continued

B. Organizations

Vice Mayor Brenner noted attendance at the Manatee County Tourist Development Council and reviewed the issues discussed.

C. Organizations

Mayor Brown noted attendance at the Sarasota County Council of Governments meeting, hosted by Longboat Key.

CONSENT ITEMS

5. Proposed Resolution 2013-08, Solid Waste, Yard Trash and Recycling Annual CPI and Fuel Adjustments

Section 6 of Ordinance 06-24, the Town's franchise agreement with Waste Management Inc. of Florida, provides for an annual consumer price increase (CPI) and fuel adjustment for collection and disposal of solid waste, yard trash and recyclable materials. The annual rate increase is effective as of April 1, 2013. The net change in the base rates result in an increase of \$0.33 from \$19.20 to \$19.53 for residential customers. Recommended Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda will forward Resolution 2013-08 to the March 4, 2013 Regular Meeting for formal action.

6. Establishing the Town Commission's Position Supporting the Tax Exempt Status of Municipal Bonds

In an effort to address Federal budget issues some legislators propose to eliminate the tax exempt status of municipal bonds. If the tax exempt status is lost, Longboat Key taxpayers would pay higher taxes on water/sewer rates, as well as for other infrastructure improvements for which bonds are routinely issued. This item is placed on the February 19, 2013 Regular Workshop Meeting Consent Agenda to formally establish the Commission's position supporting the tax exempt status of municipal bonds. Recommended Action: Approval of the Consent Agenda will authorize the Mayor to sign a letter stating the Town Commission's position supporting the tax exempt status of municipal bonds.

There was consensus to approve the Consent Agenda items in accordance with Staff's reports and recommendations.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Proposed Ordinance 2013-08, Amending Chapter 74, Parking Schedules

At the December 3, 2012 Regular Meeting the Town Commission adopted Ordinance 2012-30, which temporarily extended the restricted parking hours of 9:00 PM – 5:00 AM to 11:00 PM – 5:00 AM on Broadway, between Lois Avenue and Bayside Drive. The Commission directed staff to place this item on the February 19, 2013 Regular Workshop Meeting to consider whether to make the revised parking schedule permanent. Recommended Action: Pending discussion, provide direction to Manager.

Following comments by Town Manager Dave Bullock, Planning, Zoning, and Building Department Planner Steve Schield noted that no complaints have been received relating to the extended parking hours and advised Staff has attended two additional Village meetings during the time extension and that no discussion relating to the extended parking were received or discussed at the meetings.

7. Proposed Ordinance 2013-08, Amending Chapter 74, Parking Schedules - Continued
Police Chief Pete Cumming noted one incident investigated in the area and advised that no complaints have been received relating to the Jewfish Key rental property parking in the area. Discussion ensued on the following topics/issues:

- option to postpone final decision until the tourism/seasonal visitors impact is realized
- timeframe for consideration and adoption of an ordinance to effect a permanent change.

There was consensus to forward Ordinance 2013-08 to the March 4, 2013, Regular Meeting for first reading.

8. Proposed Ordinance 2013-09, Amending the FY 2012-13 Budget to Provide Funds for a Wage Increase for Non-Represented Employees

The Town Manager will discuss a proposal to provide a wage increase for non-represented employees and for the increases in the tentatively approved IAFF (International Association of Fire Fighters) contract. It excludes employees eligible to vote in the PERC (Public Employees Relations Commission) election which determines whether AFSCME (American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees) will be their exclusive bargaining agent, and excludes employees represented by PBA (Police Benevolent Association). Funds for amending the budget would be from unbudgeted, unallocated reserves which requires an ordinance and two public hearings. Recommended Action: Pending discussion, provide direction to Manager.

Town Manager Dave Bullock presented an overview of the proposal. Discussions were held on the following topics/issues:

- inclusion of exempt/non-exempt employees in the proposed salary increase
- contract clauses ("Me Too") for those represented by the PBA
- date/timeframe for PBA bargaining
- effective date of the salary increase for members of the IAFF (retroactive to October 1, 2012) and for non-AFSCME represented employees (April 1, 2013)
- anticipated date of IAFF ratification vote.

There was consensus to forward Ordinance 2013-09 to the March 4, 2013, Regular Meeting for first reading and public hearing.

9. Urban Land Institute (ULI) Presentation

At the January 22, 2013 Regular Workshop Meeting the Commission expressed interest in hearing a presentation by ULI. The first date that ULI team members were available to address the Commission was the February 19, 2013 Regular Workshop Meeting. Members of the P&Z Board have been invited to attend and participate in the discussion. Recommended Action: Pending discussion, provide direction to Manager.

The Town Commission and the following members of the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Board participated in a joint discussion with the Urban Land Institute (ULI) Representative relating to options for future planning services:

9. Urban Land Institute (ULI) Presentation - Continued

P&Z Board Members in Attendance:

B.J. Webb, Chair	Allen Hixon, Vice Chair
John Wild, Secretary	Andrew Aitken
Jack Daly	Laurin Goldner
Leonard Garner	Walter Hackett

Town Manager Dave Bullock presented an overview on the previous consideration of engaging professional consultants to conduct planning services.

Mr. Tom Eitler, Vice President of the Urban Land Institute (ULI), introduced Ms. Susan Jezek of ULI, and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the services provided by ULI. Discussions were held on the following topics/issues:

- process for providing data sources on the research completed
- impact on the approved referendum for the distribution of the 250 tourism units
- issues/questions to be reviewed/considered by the Advisory Panel
- General/Strategic questions to be addressed (i.e. Comprehensive Plan/Zoning Code)
- ability to view previous evaluations/projects on the ULI ([www.ULI.org/Programs/Advisory Services](http://www.ULI.org/Programs/Advisory%20Services)) website
- review of infrastructure/asset analysis
- implementation process and role of ULI in the process
- experience of panel dealing with an aging/resort community
- panel participation and staying on Longboat Key during the process
- on-going debates relating to a balance between residential, tourism, and commercial utilization
- agencies utilized by ULI in the review process
- professional implementation process/strategic team/implementation process dependent on governmental agencies action
- recommendation from ULI on the development of the panel questions to be considered
- issues/recommendations included in final report presented
- utilization of the Town's Vision Plan/jobs to housing balance
- timeframe to begin process (2 ½ to 3 months)/difficulty in seating panels in July and August
- balance of full-time versus part-time residential population
- community center options
- public input during interviewing process/results to public input on issues presented
- consulting dynamics/analysis process
- recommendation to proceed/standard implementation procedures
- intent of planning effort to serve the entire community
- development of specific versus general/broad questions to be utilized/analysis by ULI on questions submitted.

Mr. Larry Grossman, St. Judes Drive North, inquired as to inclusion of climate change research/information that may affect the community.

9. Urban Land Institute (ULI) Presentation - Continued

Mr. John Sanford inquired as to the development of a confidence level to ensure adequate viewpoints are presented and considered.

Discussions continued on the following topics/issues:

- stakeholder group to be selected
- determination of timeframe for the process to begin
- specific results/recommendations provided that are developed for Longboat Key
- consideration of other entities for the planning process
- necessary community involvement in the process
- benefit to utilizing ULI services/processes to follow report/recommendations.

Upon inquiry by Mayor Brown, there was consensus of the P&Z Board Members present to move forward with the ULI process.

There was consensus to move forward with the ULI process and to authorize the Town Manager to proceed on developing the Planning Consultant Services contract with ULI.

TOWN COMMISSION COMMENTS

A. Advisory Boards

Commr. Larson requested input from the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Board members on issues/items that the Town Commission could provide assistance with. Mayor Brown noted that communication improvements between the P&Z Board and the Town Commission would be beneficial.

P&Z Board Chair Webb commented on the experience of the P&Z Board members and the knowledge of planning issues by the Town Commission. Discussion ensued on the options to set up joint meetings between the Commission and the P&Z Board.

Upon inquiry, Town Attorney David Persson noted Code requirements and the ability to hold joint workshop sessions between advisory and elected boards.

B. Elections

Vice Mayor Brenner commented on recent newspaper articles on issues faced by the Town and some misrepresentations in the press and encouraged voter participation in the March General Election.

Commr. Duncan commented on the articles published and noted appreciation to the local press on providing a forum for the candidates to reach the Town's citizens.

TOWN ATTORNEY COMMENTS - No items were presented.

TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS

A. Advisory Boards

Town Manager Dave Bullock inquired and there was consensus to schedule a "Meet and Greet" with applicants who have applied for the vacancy on the Police Officers Retirement System Board of Trustees.

TOWN MANAGER COMMENTS - Continued

B. Organizations

Town Manager Dave Bullock advised that Public Works Director Juan Florensa's term is expiring on the Longboat Key Chamber of Commerce Executive Board and requested consideration for the Town Commission to provide a nominee or to authorize him to appoint someone for Mr. Florensa's seat.

Subsequent to comments on appointing a Commissioner to the seat and implications relating to the Sunshine Law, there was consensus to discuss the appointment at a future meeting.

C. Public Works

Town Manager Dave Bullock noted a meeting of representatives from several municipalities and counties relating to the consideration of a joint beach nourishment program and the interest shown by possible bidders. Discussion ensued on the timing of the projects for the governmental entities and any identified conflicts.

PRESS TO BE HEARD - No items were presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brown adjourned the February 19, 2013, Regular Workshop Meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Trish Granger

Trish Granger, Town Clerk

James L. Brown

James L. Brown, Mayor

Minutes Approved: 03/04/2013