



**TOWN OF NORTH REDINGTON BEACH  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 12, 2009 MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Queen called the March 12, 2009 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the Town Hall building, 190 - 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, North Redington Beach, Florida

Board members present were: Mayor Bill Queen, Vice-Mayor Jerry Knight, Commissioner Richard Bennett, Gary Curtis and Curtis Blocker

Others in attendance were Mary Curtain, Don May, Steve and Bo Friedman, John from the Barrier Island Gazette and Ed Peck.

**PUBLIC INPUT** - (15 Minutes for items not on agenda)

Ms. Curtain asked the commission what the reclaimed water restrictions are for the town. Commissioner Blocker stated he attended a meeting regarding a proposed ordinance restricting reclaimed watering to three days a week. He further explained that at this time there are no mandatory restrictions, only voluntary restrictions on reclaimed water. Commissioner Blocker stated his opposition to the proposed ordinance explaining he believed it was a matter of unneeded government. Commissioner Curtis said there are restrictions on the watering time of after 4:00 pm and before 10:00 am.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** FEBRUARY 12, 2009 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES; FEBRUARY 24, 2009 WORKSHOP MINUTES; **PROCLAMATION** DECLARING MARCH 2009 AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH; **RESOLUTION 2009-168** A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF NORTH REDINGTON BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AN IDENTITY THEFT PREVENTION POLICY

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blocker and voted upon with the following results:

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Commissioner Bennett	Yes	Mayor Queen	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes		

Motion carried. Consent agenda approved.

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS**

A.	<b>WILLIAM QUEEN</b>	<b>MAYOR</b>	<b>UNOPPOSED</b>
	<b>RICHARD BENNETT</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER SEAT 1</b>	<b>UNOPPOSED</b>
	<b>GARY CURTIS</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER SEAT 2</b>	<b>UNOPPOSED</b>

Town Attorney Peck gave the oath of office to Commissioners Bennett and Curtis. He then gave the oath of office to Mayor Queen.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **ORDINANCE 2008-677** AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF NORTH REDINGTON BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT ELEMENT OF THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO ADD POLICY 9.1.1 ESTABLISHING THE COASTAL STORM AREA AS THE REGULATORY STANDARD; TO ADD POLICY 9.1.2 DEFINING THE COASTAL STORM AREA, AND TO RENUMBER SUBSEQUENT POLICIES; TO AMEND POLICY 9.1.3, 9.1.5 AND 9.2.1 BY CHANGING COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA TO COASTAL STORM AREA; TO ADD POLICY 9.3.6 ESTABLISHING A LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD FOR HURRICANE EVACUATION CLEARANCE TIME, AND TO RENUMBER SUBSEQUENT POLICIES; TO AMEND POLICY 9.3.7 BY DELETING THE REFERENCE TO THE LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD; TO AMEND POLICY 9.5.1 BY CHANGING COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA TO COASTAL STORM AREA; AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT TO AMEND OBJECTIVE 13.2 AND POLICY 13.2.1 BY CHANGING COASTAL HIGH HAZARD AREA TO COASTAL STORM AREA; TO AMEND OBJECTIVE 13.3 AND POLICY 13.3.1 TO REFLECT THE COMMITMENT FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO BE FINANCIALLY FEASIBLE; ADOPTING TABLE 8-1 TO REFLECT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND REVENUES FOR THE UPCOMING FIVE YEARS; AMENDING TABLE 8-2 TO REFLECT PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND EXPENDITURES FOR THE UPCOMING FIVE YEARS; ADOPTING FIGURE 5-4, NORTH REDINGTON BEACH COASTAL STORM AREA; PROVIDING FOR OTHER MODIFICATIONS THAT MAY ARISE FROM REVIEW OF THIS ORDINANCE AT THE PUBLIC HEARING AND/OR WITH OTHER RESPONSIBLE PARTIES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR LOCATION OF RECORDS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. SECOND AND FINAL READING.

Mayor Queen read the public hearing statement for the amendment to the comprehensive plan.

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve Ordinance no. 2008-677. Commissioner Blocker seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Knight explained the changes were to change the term coastal high hazard area to coastal storm area. He stated that while this change does affect some areas of Pinellas County such as St. Petersburg, it does not affect North Redington Beach as the town has always been entirely in the high hazard area.

Ms. Curtin asked if the terminology would change any resources the Town would receive in case of an emergency. Vice Mayor Knight responded it would not.

There being no further public input. A roll call vote was taken.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Mayor Queen	Yes		

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **ORDINANCE 2009-679** AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING SIGNS; AMENDING SECTION 86-82; PROVIDING FOR ONE SANDWICH SIGN DURING BUSINESS HOURS; REGULATING THE SIZE AND LOCATION OF SANDWICH SIGNS; AMENDING SECTION 86-112; PROVIDING THAT WINDOW LETTERING BE LIMITED TO TWELVE (12) INCHES IN HEIGHT; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. FIRST READING.

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve Ordinance no. 2009-679. Commissioner Blocker seconded the motion. Mayor Queen explained the Commission had decided to amend the ordinance because some businesses in town currently use the sandwich signs for valet services and parking. He stated these are necessary and the amendment to the ordinance would allow each business to have one sign for such purposes or for advertisement. The Board discussed that the sign could not be within 10 feet of the right-of-way. Also Commissioner Curtis asked for a definition of business hours since hotels are 24 hour operations. Attorney Peck recommended a change to the ordinance to read "hours of operation" instead of "business hours".

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to amend the ordinance to change "business hours" to "hours of operation". Commissioner Blocker seconded the motion.

Mr. May asked why the change of size of window lettering was being amended. Mayor Queen responded that the current ordinance reads that lettering can only be 3" high. He stated that at 3" the letters can't be seen from the road. He explained that the largest currently in town is 12".

There being no further public input. A roll call vote was taken to amend ordinance 2009-679.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Mayor Queen	Yes		

Motion carried.

A roll call vote was taken to approve ordinance 2009-679.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Mayor Queen	Yes		

Motion carried.

**2. APPOINTMENT OF BOBBIE JAGIELSKI AND COMMISSIONER RICHARD BENNETT TO LIBRARY BOARD FOR TWO YEAR TERM ENDING 2011.**

Mayor Queen explained that Mary Bennett had been serving on the Library Board however, there had been a decision made for each town to have an elected official on the board. Mayor Queen thanked Mary for serving and also thanked Commissioner Bennett for being willing to serve.

Vice Mayor Knight made a motion to appoint Commissioner Bennett and Bobbie Jagielski to the Library Board for a two year term ending 2011. Commissioner Blocker seconded the motion. There was no public input.

A roll call vote was taken.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Mayor Queen	Yes		

Motion carried.

**3. APPOINTMENT OF KEVIN KENNEDY AS AN ALTERNATE TO BEACH ADVISORY BOARD FOR TWO YEAR TERM ENDING 2011.**

Commissioner Blocker made a motion to appoint Kevin Kennedy as an alternate to the Beach Advisory Board for a two year term ending 2011. Commissioner Bennett seconded the motion. Mayor

Queen stated that Mr. Kennedy has been in the town for 30 years and that he owns and lives in the four-plex across the street from the hardware store. There was no public input.

A roll call vote was taken.

Commissioner Curtis	Yes	Commissioner Bennett	Yes
Commissioner Blocker	Yes	Vice-Mayor Knight	Yes
Mayor Queen	Yes		

Motion carried.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

Mayor Queen stated the Commission had held a workshop and discussed the uses for the Penny for Pinellas money for Gulf Boulevard beautification. He gave an overview of the plans for the funds including new lighted signage, electrical outlets on all of the medians, drought resistant plantings on all of the medians, solar powered speed limit signs, crosswalks of different color/texture with ambient lighting and undergrounding the cross wires on Gulf Boulevard. He stated the projects estimated price is \$500k.

Mr. May said he had witnessed several near accidents at the crosswalks and asked if the lights could be changed from yellow to red. Mayor Queen replied it cannot as the legislation did not pass a bill to allow the red lights. The law says you must yield to pedestrians, not stop. Therefore, you can only use the yellow lights. Mayor Queen and Vice Mayor Knight stated they believe that the crosswalks are being used and the cars obeying the law better than before. Mayor Queen reiterated that enforcement is the key to the success of the crosswalk.

Ms. Curtain asked what would happen to the remainder of the 1.2 million of the Penny for Pinellas money allotted to NRB. Mayor Queen replied it would be available to other beach towns for use and if not used, would revert back to Pinellas County. She asked if it could be used throughout the five year period if other projects came up. Mayor Queen said that once the forms were submitted for funding, the rest of the money would become available to the other municipalities. He stated once again that the price for undergrounding had gotten so expensive, the town would not be able to fund the complete undergrounding. He also explained he had looked into the decorative type lights for Gulf Boulevard but the annual cost of maintaining the lights would go from \$11k to \$90k per year.

Commissioner Blocker went over the proposed reclaimed water restrictions in the ordinance coming before Pinellas County. He stated the County Commission would vote on it on March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Queen expressed his gratitude to Commissioner Bennett for heading up the Food for Thought library event that took place on March 7<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Blocker stated it was a great event and encouraged everyone to attend next year. Mayor Queen also expressed appreciation to the Conch Republic for staying until the end of the event and continuing to provide food throughout the evening.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mari Campbell, CMC  
Town Clerk